

Grace *Today*

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Today at Grace

9 and 11 am

Worship Services
Fellowship Groups
Grace Kids
Spanish Ministries

After Morning Services

Welcome Center
Member Center
Grace Books
Scholar's Desk
Steeple House Coffee

On the Patio

- Fundamentals of the Faith
- Local Outreach

1 pm

Neighborhood Outreach
(Tower Basement)

5 pm

Prayer Meeting (H114)

6 pm

Evening Service
Adventure Club

See back for building locations.

During the 11 am service, interpreting in ASL is available in the Worship Center. Foreign language live-streams for the 11 am and 6 pm services are available at gracechurch.org/live.

We preach Christ, continuing the legacy of Pastor John MacArthur (served 1969–2025).

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Morning Worship Service — 9 and 11 am

Bill Brandenstein, Minister of Music

Fugue in D Minor

Stephen Sturz, Organ Prelude • Bach

Call to Worship

Hymn 429 *For the Beauty of the Earth*

Hymn 435 *We Gather Together*

Congregation

Now Thank We All Our God

Strings & Winds Ensemble, Piano • Crüger/Sanborn-Rice

Scripture Reading & Prayer

God Shall Be Praised

Worship Choir • Hatton/Wolaver-Hill

Hymn 4 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

Congregation

Announcements & Offering

Glory

Elmer Serquina & Jaz Hoffman, Vocal Duet • Nordeman/Rice

MESSAGE

Our Long Awaited King

Abner Chou • Matthew 1:1–17

Processional from Solomon

Organ Postlude • Handel

Evening Worship Service — 6 pm

Prelude

Songs of Praise

Chris Burnett

Baptisms

Announcements & Offering

MESSAGE

Filling up the Afflictions of Christ

Mike Riccardi • Colossians 1:24–27

Right Hand of Fellowship

Postlude

ANTHEM

God Shall Be Praised

God shall be praised, and His name be revered;
Kneel at His throne in holy fear.
Each bright new morning offers reason to adore
And magnify our worthy Lord.

No human author has found words that tell;
No song yet written says it well.
Even the angels cannot bring Him praise enough,
None can describe such boundless love!

God shall be praised though the darkness increase,
Though men rebel and goodness cease.
Soon comes that final day when every knee shall bow;
How wise are those who serve Him now.

Rise now with courage; God's will shall be done.
Jesus shall reign: His Kingdom come.
Heaven shall thrill us with delight for endless days!
God shall be praised, God shall be praised!

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TODAY

New Here?

Following each Sunday morning service:

- **The Welcome Center** hosts a reception for visitors.
- **The Member Center** has information about membership and baptism.
- **The Prayer Room**, located adjacent to the Worship Center, is staffed with counselors ready to talk and pray with you, following both the morning and evening services.

See back for locations.

FEATURED BOOK



Annual Bible Sale

All Bibles are discounted **30–50%**
off retail, while supplies last.

Sale ends December 7.

GRACE KIDS

Sunday School

9 and 11 am

Review Sunday

Judges 2:6–23

Main Idea: Believers must obey God
wholeheartedly while living in a
sinful world.

Application: Pray that God will reveal
idols in your heart.

Featured Hymn: *Jesus! What a Friend
for Sinners* (Hymn 206)

Review: What happened to Israel after
Joshua died?

Next Week: Ruth 1–4

Adventure Club

6 pm

This week is Review Sunday.

The memory verse for next week is
Romans 1:18.

For Sunday School and
Adventure Club room locations,
visit Children's Check-In.
gracechurch.org/gracekids

Faith Promise Fruits



For each missionary that our church sends out, the decision to enter the mission field is one that requires obedience, courage, and the firm conviction to bring the gospel to another part of the world. This commitment is a faithful response to a unique calling from the Lord. The mission field is often fraught with peril, loneliness, and sacrifice, but it is fundamentally reassuring that the calling is accompanied by the same divine promises God gives all believers: He will never leave nor forsake those who are His, and He will faithfully supply everything needed for life and godliness. The Lord's care is abundant and merciful for all of us, but especially for those who serve as missionaries.

Grace Church has always been passionate about seeing the gospel go forth to the ends of the earth. This is reflected in our church's rich history of sending missionaries to the field. Sending, however, is just the first step in the journey. Our church also plays an active and ongoing role in the Lord's care for our missionaries. It is a continual blessing for our missionaries to be reminded of the camaraderie, prayers, and support of their sending church.

Your faithful giving to Faith Promise is essential in this effort, supplying many of the financial resources necessary for the effective care of our missionary families.

The direct shepherding care of our church's leadership is one critical aspect of the spiritual well-being of our missionaries. In recent years, as the number of missionary families continued to grow, our ECHO elders realized that our shepherding blueprint needed to be both strengthened and broadened to maintain a standard of excellence. The Regional Shepherd model was developed so we could appoint veteran missionaries who are easily and readily accessible in Asia, Africa, Europe, the Iberian Peninsula, and the Middle East. They provide pastoral care, prayer, accountability, guidance, and wisdom to help each of our missionaries thrive spiritually. Funds from Faith Promise provide bi-annual stipends that allow each Regional Shepherd the time and ability to travel to different families throughout their region to support, encourage, and care for them. Through this model, funds from Faith Promise are an investment in the priority of shepherding every missionary family.

Coming Soon

2026 Missionary Calendar

A prayer calendar featuring our missionaries around the world, available beginning Sunday, December 21.



\$513,217

raised since May through
Faith Promise

The physical health of our missionaries is also a critical part of effective care. Their well-being in the field enables them to pour themselves out in service to the Lord. While our missionary families are covered by global medical insurance, sometimes unexpected needs arise outside of that coverage. Faith Promise funds ensure a safety net to bridge this gap. Just over the past few months, Faith Promise funds have enabled two different families to seek necessary medical care outside of the country in which they were ministering. In both cases, these families needed to seek extremely specialized medical evaluation and treatment, which has greatly impacted their quality of life and ability to serve the Lord faithfully long term.

This is just a snapshot of the incredible impact that our Faith Promise campaign has in caring for our missionaries and their ministry needs. Your giving to Faith Promise is vital, sustaining a partnership between you and the incredible gospel work of our missionaries all over the world.

To give to our Faith Promise campaign, visit gracechurch.org/fp.

Encouragement Through Christmas in September

Grace Ministries International would also like to thank our church family for the heartfelt cards and generous financial gifts given to our missionaries via Christmas in September. These expressions of encouragement and love remind our missionary families of the unity we share in Christ and the special place they hold in our hearts. It is a joy to see your desire to support and care for our missionaries in this personal and tangible way.





The Granlund Family

Luke & Ruth, Annasophia

Serving in Zimbabwe since 2025

Pray for us as we transition to life on the field in Zimbabwe. Pray for humility and dependence on the Lord as we foster new relationships and look to honor the Lord and serve effectively in our church.

| gracechurch.org/granlund

LOCAL OUTREACH SPOTLIGHT

Adoption Awareness Month

Every November here at Grace Church, we celebrate Adoption Awareness Month. Whether through adoption or by serving families who adopt, the church ought to be a picture of the gospel by leading the charge in serving children who do not yet have a family. As a ministry of our Local Outreach Department, Hands for Hope exists as a support base for those interested in or new to adoption and foster care, as well as a loving network of families who understand the experience.

Info: 818-909-5721

| handsforhope@gracechurch.org

Upcoming at Grace

- 12/7 Right Hand of Fellowship
- 12/14 Communion Service
- 12/18-21 Christmas Concerts
- 12/24-1/2 Christmas Break (Campus closed)

| gracechurch.org/calendar

HIGHLIGHTS

STM Kick-Off Event

Join us as we launch the 2026 season of Short-Term Ministries. Come hear where our teams will be serving around the world next summer and learn how you can get involved through prayer, giving, or going. A light lunch will be provided, while supplies last.

| Sunday, December 7, 12:45-1:45 pm, T270
| gracechurch.org/stm

Upcoming Winter Camps

Juniors

Students grades 3-5 are invited to join us for winter camp this January, focused on the theme, "Bigger than You Think: A Look at God's Greatness."

| January 9-11, Forest Home

Cost: \$340

| Register: gracechurch.org/gracekids/juniors

Xchange

Students grades 6-8 are invited to join us for winter camp this January.

| January 9-11, Forest Home

Cost: \$340

| Register: gracechurch.org/xchange

Giving to Winter Camps

Bless a Juniors or middle school student by supporting their trip to camp this winter.

| gracechurch.org/give

Thank you for faithfully partnering in the ministry of our church as an act of worship to our Lord. Give during any of today's services or at gracechurch.org/giving.



Primary Christmas Party

Students grades 1–2 are invited to our Primary Christmas Party. Children should dress in game-appropriate attire and bring a sack lunch, along with canned goods for needy families. Drinks and desserts will be provided.

Saturday, December 6, 9:45 am–12 pm
Info: childrens@gracechurch.org

Walk through the Bible Seminar

All are invited to the Walk through the Bible seminar, hosted by Cornerstone and taught by Hal Hays. This seminar focuses on the people, events, key themes, and flow of the Old Testament and is designed to give you a foundational understanding of its story in just a few hours.

January 4, 1–5:30 pm, T370
\$30/person, \$100 max per family (includes a workbook and lunch)
Register: gracechurch.org/cornerstone

The Master's University Winter 5K

All are invited to join the annual winter 5K at TMU on Saturday, January 17. This year's race will include a Kids 1K, a competitive 5K race (the 5K Challenge), and a 5K Run/Walk. The course is scenic and flat with varying terrain, perfect for participants of all ages and abilities. All participants are invited to stay after for food and fun.

Register: gomustangs.com/5k

Grace to You

Radio: *John MacArthur's Most Memorable Sermon*

KKLA 99.5FM LA / M–F 6:30 am & 7:30 pm
KDAR 98.3FM Oxnard-Ventura / M–F 2 & 10 am; Sun 2 am
KABC 790AM LA / Sat 7:30 am

TV: "Chosen for Glory"

NRBTV Ch. 378 on DirecTV / Sun 6:30 pm

Visit our website for a full library of audio, video, and transcripts of Pastor John's sermons; "The Study Bible" and "Grace to You Sermons" mobile apps; and other resources.

gty.org

Christmas Concert Tickets

The concert series will run from Thursday, December 18 through Sunday, December 21. To pick up or return extra tickets, visit the reception desk in the Office Center Monday–Friday, 8 am–5 pm. Please prayerfully consider bringing your unsaved friends, coworkers, or family members as a way of sharing with them the true meaning of Christmas.

gracechurch.org/concert

Joyful Givers

All contributions for calendar year 2025 must be received by the church no later than our December 28 offering or postmarked no later than December 31, 2025. Contributions received or postmarked after Wednesday, December 31, 2025, will be recorded in 2026. The church campus will be closed for the holidays from December 24, 2025 through January 2, 2026, excluding Sundays, when we are open for our worship services.

We invite you to opt in to receive your 2025 Giving Statement via email if you have not already done so. The elders, pastors, and church staff thank each of you for faithfully and sacrificially giving to the Lord.

gracechurch.org/opt-in



Job Openings

PT: Part-time; FT: Full-time

Grace Church

Applicants for employment must be, if employed, biblically qualified as a deacon or deaconess and a member of Grace Church. For more information or to request an application, contact Human Resources at hr@gracechurch.org or 818-909-5672.

- Nursery Supervisor, PT

gracechurch.org/jobs

The Master's University

- Assistant Athletic Trainer, FT

masters.edu/jobs

The Master's Academy International

- Donor Relations Manager, PT

tmai.org/jobs

Sunday Ministries

For a complete list of Sunday and midweek ministries, including those for men, women, and specific age groups, visit gracechurch.org/ministries.



9 am

- Anchored T360**
Pastor: Carl Hargrove
- Cornerstone T370**
Pastors: Nathan Busenitz, Mark Tatlock, Mark Zhakevich
- GraceLife Family Center**
Pastors: Phil Johnson, Mike Riccardi
- Steadfast T270**
Pastors: Brian Biedebach, Brian Milam
- Xchange (Middle School) T70 (Tower Basement)**
Pastor: Jay Lennington

11 am

- 180 (High School) T70 (Tower Basement)**
Pastor: Isaías Muñoz
- Commissioned T270**
Pastors: Rodney Andersen, Brad Klassen
- Crossroads (College & Young Adults) Family Center**
- Joint Heirs T360**
Pastors: Tom Patton, John Street
- Sojourners T370**
Pastors: Abner Chou, Joe Zhakevich

9 and 11 am

- Grace Kids**
For room locations, visit Children's Check-in.
Pastor: Jay Lennington
- Developmentally Disabled CC130E**
Pastor: Rick McLean
- Spanish Adult Sunday School T260**
Pastor: Josiah Grauman
- Spanish Worship Services Chapel**
Pastors: Josiah Grauman, Rubén Pidal, Tom Rios

Campus Map

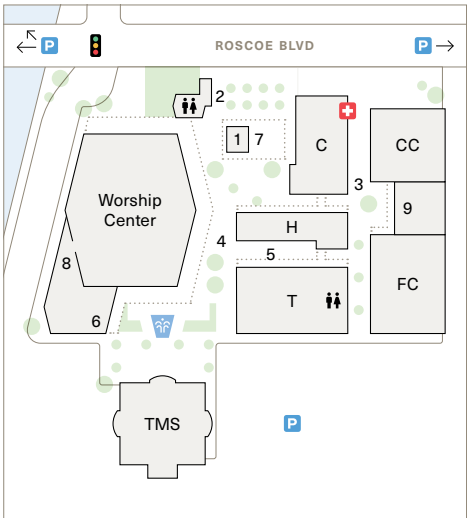
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Public Wi-Fi:
Grace Church Wi-Fi
Password:
Proverbs3:5-6

Please note that today's worship services are being livestreamed and recorded. In addition, your likeness may be recorded or photographed while on campus. Your presence on campus constitutes your permission to Grace Community Church to use images or video of your likeness.

Legend

- T Tower
- H Heritage
- CC Children's Center
- FC Family Center
- C Chapel
- 1 Welcome Center
- 2 Member Center
- 3 Children's Check-In
- 4 Patio
- 5 GraceWalk & Steeple House Coffee
- 6 Grace Books
- 7 Scholar's Desk
- 8 Prayer Room
- 9 Well-Baby Cry Room
- PM Location:
Welcome Center (1)



Pastor John MacArthur was pastor-teacher of Grace Community Church for 56 years (1969–2025). His weekly verse-by-verse exposition of God's Word firmly rooted our church family in truth. Grace Church continues that legacy, seeking to glorify God by proclaiming the gospel.

Family of Ministries

- Grace to You**
gtv.org
- The Master's Seminary**
tms.edu
- The Master's University**
masters.edu
- The Master's Academy International**
tmai.org
- John MacArthur Trust**
jmacarthurtrust.org

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