

Grace *Today*

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Today at Grace

9 and 11 am

Worship Services
Fellowship Groups
Grace Kids
Spanish Ministries
Membership Class (11 am only)

After Morning Services

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

On the Patio

- Fundamentals of the Faith
- TMAI Symposium
- Volunteers

1 pm

Neighborhood Outreach
(Tower Basement)
Russian Outreach (CC230)

5 pm

Prayer Meeting (H114)

6 pm

Evening Service
Adventure Club

See back for building locations.

During the 11 am and 6 pm services, interpreting in ASL is available in the Worship Center. Foreign-language livestreams 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

Now Thank We All Our God

Stephen Sturz, Organist • Bach

Hymn 53 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Hymn 394 Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

Congregation

I Need Thee Every Hour

Strings, Woodwinds, Piano • Lowry/Rice

Scripture Reading & Prayer

Lead Me, Lord

Worship Choir • Wesley/Bock-Brandenstein

Hymn 393 Take My Life and Let It Be

Congregation

Announcements & Offering

Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer

John Martin • Getty-Becker/Rice

MESSAGE

Consider the Cost

Nathan Busenitz • Mark 8:34–38

Postlude in G Major

Organ Postlude • Handel

Evening Worship Service — 6 pm

Prelude

Songs of Praise

Jonathan Nah

Baptism

Announcements & Offering

MESSAGE

Worthless Wisdom and the Worthy Lord

Mike Riccardi • Colossians 2:8–10

Postlude

I Need Thee Every Hour

I need Thee ev'ry hour, most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like Thine can peace afford.
I need Thee, O I need Thee; ev'ry hour I need Thee!
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

I need Thee ev'ry hour, stay Thou nearby;
Temptations lose their pow'r when Thou art nigh.
I need Thee, O I need Thee; ev'ry hour I need Thee!
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

I need Thee ev'ry hour, teach me Thy will,
And Thy rich promises in me fulfill.
I need Thee, O I need Thee; ev'ry hour I need Thee!
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

Hymn 416. Words by Annie S. Hawks (1872).
Music by Robert Lowry (1872).
Arranged by Mark Rice (1993).

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.

What Is Saving Faith?

by John Piper

What happens in the heart when it experiences real saving faith? John Piper argues that faith includes an affectional dimension. Saving faith in Jesus Christ welcomes Him forever with a treasuring trust.

“Christ as a treasure is not a slice of Christ. It is every dimension of Christ—all of Christ—making up the totality of His infinite value.”
—John Piper

Available today for
50% off retail at
Grace Books and the
Scholar's Desk.



GRACE KIDS

Sunday School

9 and 11 am

David Fights for God's Honor
1 Samuel 17

Main Idea: Believers must live for the Lord's glory.

Application: Glorify God with your actions and thoughts.

Featured Hymn: *May the Mind of Christ, My Savior* (Hymn 377)

Review: How did David defend God's honor?

Next Week: 1 Samuel 18–20

Adventure Club

6 pm

Lesson 16: Sacrifice

Memory Verse: Isaiah 53:5

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

Affirming Our Commitment to One Another

Membership Matters

Let love be without hypocrisy—by abhorring what is evil, clinging to what is good, being devoted to one another in brotherly love, giving preference to one another in honor, not lagging behind in diligence, being fervent in spirit, serving the Lord, rejoicing in hope, persevering in affliction, being devoted to prayer, contributing to the needs of the saints, pursuing hospitality. —Romans 12:9–13

God is continually at work building His church, adding to the body those whom He calls through the gospel of Jesus Christ. Membership at Grace Church reflects a public affirmation of commitment to Christ and to one another within this local body. As members, we are reminded that belonging to the church carries both joy and responsibility, as we seek to love, serve, and grow together according to God's design. This is what being a member here is all about—committing, with the Holy Spirit's help:

- To diligently exercise self-control so that your lifestyle exhibits both true Christian love and personal holiness.
- To faithfully assemble with this body of believers in unity and use your spiritual gifts to serve and edify one another.
- To consistently contribute, as a good steward of God's blessings, your time, talents, and resources, so that our local and worldwide ministry of spreading the gospel may continue.
- To humbly teach biblical truth to your family and acquaintances, as God gives you opportunity, with a desire to see them come to trust Jesus Christ and be saved.
- To willingly give and receive admonition and instruction with meekness and in love.
- To consistently pray for the ministry here in this church—your brothers and sisters in Christ, the elders, pastors, deacons, and for the lost who need the Savior.

Steps to Becoming a Member

1 Register at the Member Center

After each Sunday morning service, the Member Center is staffed with volunteers eager to answer questions about membership and baptism, provide you with a membership application, and help you begin the registration process for membership classes.

2 Begin Membership Application

Fill out all parts of the application for membership—this includes answering questions about your spiritual background and testimony, and reading a few documents to help you understand what we teach and how our church operates.

3 Attend Membership Classes

A complete class cycle is offered at 11 am over the first three Sundays of every month (excluding July and December).

4 Attend Pastoral Interview & Schedule Baptism

After completing your application, return it to the Member Center on Sunday morning, at the end of the Worship or Fellowship Group service. Then contact your Fellowship Group pastor or elder to schedule your membership interview.

5 Right Hand of Fellowship (RHOF)

When you complete the membership process, you will be welcomed as a member at the next “Right Hand of Fellowship,” which occurs monthly at the end of the evening service.

If you have any questions about the membership process, stop by the Member Center after a Sunday morning service or contact the Membership Department at 818-909-5644 or membership@gracechurch.org. For more on what we believe about church membership, read “The Distinctives of Church Membership” at gracechurch.org/membership.



When believers join our church, they know what their responsibility is and also what they're getting from the believers who are already here. The existing members recognize their commitment and regularly commit, with God's help, to love, encourage, teach, admonish, comfort, and exhort those whom God brings to our church in membership, and they commit to that responsibility with a

genuine desire to see new members continue to grow in the knowledge of Christ and His Word. Membership truly aids our devotion to one another in brotherly love and helps us serve the Lord with gladness.

If you desire this kind of commitment in your life or have questions about membership, please stop by our Member Center after either morning service. ●

Pray for Our Missionaries

Pray for our missionaries as they endeavor to make disciples of all nations, to the glory of God

| gracechurch.org/outreach

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$15,229**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries.

| gracechurch.org/fp

LOCAL OUTREACH SPOTLIGHT

Armenian Outreach Bible Study

Every third Sunday afternoon, a group of Armenian believers from our congregation meets for fellowship, prayer, worship, and sound Bible teaching and discussion in their native tongue. If you speak Armenian, join us next Sunday. If you do not speak Armenian, but know someone who does, consider inviting them to our study.

| Next Sunday, February 15, 1 pm, T370
| gracechurch.org/armenian-outreach

Upcoming at Grace

- 2/15 Communion
- 2/16 Presidents' Day (Campus Closed)
- 2/19 Elders Meeting
- 2/22 Right Hand of Fellowship

gracechurch.org/calendar

HIGHLIGHTS

Joint Heirs Ladies T.E.A.

Joint Heirs Ladies T.E.A. (Teaching, Edification, and Application) is a women's ministry that meets monthly at Grace Church. All women are invited to join us tomorrow as Shelbi Cullen teaches "Faithfulness in Reconciliation" from Ephesians 4:32.

| Tomorrow, February 9, 6:45 pm, T270

Faith PSP Homeschool Co-op Open House

Families interested in enrolling their students in our K-12 homeschool program for the 2026-2027 school year are invited to experience a day at Faith PSP. Learn what Faith PSP provides and how they can come alongside you in your homeschooling journey. Enrollment opens on Friday, February 20 for new families.

| Friday, February 20, 8:30-11 am
| RSVP: faithpsp.org, julies@faithpsp.org,
| 424-307-5040

STM Applications Open

Short-Term Ministries are an amazing way to serve our missionaries and take part in what God is doing around the world. Applications are open for this summer's teams.

Opportunities to serve include supporting conferences, participating in local evangelism, and assisting with youth and children's ministries.

| Apply: gracechurch.org/stm
| Info: stm@gracechurch.org

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.



The Master's Academy International

2026 International Symposium

Imperishable: The Necessity of Expository Preaching Among the Nations

This year's symposium will consider the necessity of expository preaching in the life of the church and its mission to the nations.

Keynote speakers Mark Tatlock, H.B. Charles Jr., David Robles, and Alex Kolomiytsev will examine how God's imperishable Word is faithfully proclaimed through careful study and clear exposition and how ministries are grounded in the authority of Scripture.

Tuesday, March 3, 9 am–5:30 pm, Santa Clarita
Register: tmai.org/symposium



Volunteers Needed

To volunteer, you must be a member of Grace Community Church or a student of The Master's University or Seminary. Approved volunteers receive complimentary registration to attend the symposium during times they are not serving, along with a registration code for one guest.

Sign up: tmai.events/volunteer
Information: events@tmai.org

Songs for the Battle

Men of the Word invites men to join us for an evening of worship led by Philip Webb. The focus of our time together will be on the Christian man's use of psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs in times of difficulty.

Join us for refreshments and fellowship on the Patio, followed by singing, instruction, and discussion with Philip. No registration needed.

Wednesday, February 25, 6–8 pm
gracechurch.org/motw

With the Lord

Jubilant Sykes, a beloved brother in the Lord and longtime member of our Music Ministry for 48 years, is now in the presence of the Lord. A memorial service will be held in his honor on Saturday, February 14 at 11 am, at Bel Air Church in Encino. Please keep Cece and the family in your prayers.

Ministry Highlight

Prayer Ministry

Every week, there are opportunities to pray together as a church family. There are prayer meetings on Sunday evenings at 5 pm in H114 and on Monday mornings at 9 am in the Welcome Center. There is also an opportunity to pray with our pastors and leaders each Wednesday morning from 7 to 7:30 am via Zoom.

All are invited to join us as we come together to praise the Lord and submit our requests to Him. You may also subscribe to a weekly email, which includes a brief devotional and a prayer focus for the week.

For more information, email
prayer@gracechurch.org or visit
gracechurch.org/prayer

Grace to You

Radio: *Love, No Matter What*

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: "Forgiveness in the Age of Rage"

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

gtty.org

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
- Security Patrol, PT

For a full description of jobs and benefits, visit gracechurch.org/jobs.

The Master's University

- Assistant Athletic Trainer, FT

For a full description of jobs and to apply, visit masters.edu/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

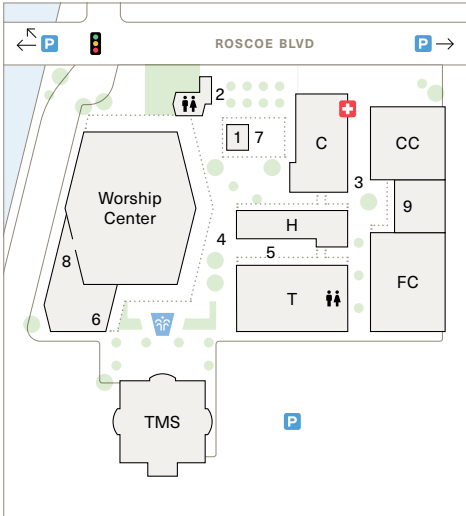
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Public Wi-Fi:
Grace Church Wi-Fi
Password:
Proverbs3:5-6

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**
gtu.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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