

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
- Local Outreach
- Day of Prayer

1 pm

Armenian Outreach (T370)
Korean Outreach (H222-224)
Neighborhood Outreach
(Tower Basement)

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

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

Stephen Sturz, Organ Prelude • Hatton/Sturz

Hymn 116 *Rejoice, the Lord Is King*

Hymn 102 *Jesus Is Lord*

Congregation

Scripture Reading & Prayer

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Worship Choir; Eric Lan, violin; Cathy Biagini, cello; & Ed Lan, piano • Forman

Hymn 127 *Look, Ye Saints! The Sight Is Glorious*

Congregation

Announcements & Offering

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

John & Lisa Martin • Traditional/Ortega

MESSAGE

The Glory of the King

Nathan Busenitz • Mark 9:1-10

Communion

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners

Organ Postlude • Prichard/Willan

Evening Worship Service — 6 pm

Prelude

Songs of Praise

Jonathan Nah

Baptism

Announcements & Offering

Grace Around the World

Hovig Bajanian

MESSAGE

Wash and Be Clean

Jay Lennington • 2 Kings 5

Postlude

ANTHEM

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most—
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all!

Music by Marianne Forman (2025), quoting the familiar tune
by Lowell Mason (1824). Words by Isaac Watts (1707).

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

The Psalms: A Christ-Centered Commentary

by **Christopher Ash**

While reading Psalms, it is common to read with a shallow and highly personalized focus, without connecting it deeply to Christ's fulfillment. This introduction will help believers enjoy the God-centered fullness of His Word.

Available today for
\$9 at Grace
Books and the
Scholar's Desk.



GRACE KIDS

Sunday School

9 and 11 am

God Forgives David

2 Samuel 11–12

Main Idea: We should ask for God's forgiveness when we disobey His Word.

Application: Repent from sin and ask for God's forgiveness.

Featured Hymn: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* (Hymn 2)

Review: How did God extend grace to David?

Next Week: Luke 22:7–20; 39–46

Adventure Club

6 pm

Lesson 20: Resurrection

Memory Verse: 1 Corinthians 15:3–4

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

Prayer

The Believer's Constant Conversation

It is really a latent danger, and I mean a real danger, that Christians who have a knowledge of doctrine and an effective understanding of their resources and spiritual principles can become satisfied, so that heartrending, passionate, constant prayer has no place, or very little place; and that is sin.

Prayer is the Christian's breath. If you hold your breath, that's challenging. It's more difficult to hold your breath than it is to breathe, by far. The same is true with prayer. You shouldn't be having to work to pray; it should be the most natural expression of your spiritual lungs to commune with God, to let Him into every thought and every conversation, everything in your life. That is really the spiritual thing to do, to breathe in the sense that you're communing with God. If you're not regularly and faithfully in prayer, you're struggling against your own spiritual nature. You're trying to hold your spiritual breath. And that will stop the power. And the cause for prayerlessness is always the same: sin and selfishness.

I have walked with the Lord all these many years; I have found the sweetness of that conversation. All of life is a constant communion with God. Everything that happens to me, around me, everything that I see and observe pushes me Godward, opens my mind and my heart to

Him. When there is something wonderful that happened, something good, some blessing, it's so easy to say, "Thank you." I find myself doing that virtually all the time, "Thank You, Lord. Thank You, Lord. Thank You, Lord." That's an open conversation. I'm not necessarily trying to find flowery words. We are to "give thanks in everything." "This is the will of God" for us, 1 Thessalonians 5 says. So when I see the blessings of life, the challenges of life that strengthened me and strengthened those around me, when I see the good news doing its work in people's lives, when I see righteousness and godliness, when I see flourishing ministry and faithfulness—and I see it all the time, every day of my life—my heart just says, "Thank You, thank You, thank You, thank You." It goes back to the communion and the conversation that's always open between me and the Lord.

So the frequency of prayer: all the time. The variety of prayer: all kinds of prayer. The manner of prayer: alert and persevering. It's a struggle. You stay with it, knowing that "the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much," and that "if you ask, you'll receive."

Selected excerpts from "Prayer: The Believer's Constant Conversation," preached December 18, 2022, by John MacArthur.



DAY of **P** RAYER

Saturday, March 28

6 am – 6 pm

T70

[Tower Basement]

Join us at any point during the day for a day dedicated to prayer. Elders will open each hour with Scripture reading and prayer and will invite you to pray for the specific needs of one another, our ministries, and the world. This will be a great opportunity for you to meet elders and fellow believers, trusting together in the Lord through prayer.

Prayer request cards are available on the Patio this morning and next Sunday, or at the Office Center throughout the week.

gracechurch.org/dayofprayer

GRACE AROUND THE WORLD



Aaron & Susan Shryock

Serving in the U.S. since 2002

Pray for wisdom as Aaron and Susan meet with a surgeon to discuss treatment for Susan's malignant lymph nodes. Pray for Aaron as he translates the Bible for the people in Cameroon.

| gracechurch.org/shryock

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$9,423**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries.

| gracechurch.org/fp

LOCAL OUTREACH SPOTLIGHT

Neighborhood Outreach

This ministry brings the good news of God's grace to our local community on Sunday afternoons. After a potluck meal, participants go out into the neighborhood to present the gospel, invite our neighbors to church, and learn about any needs our church may be able to meet.

The ministry also does street evangelism at the North Hollywood Metro Station.

Sundays, 1 pm, T70 (Tower Basement)
gracechurch.org/neighborhood-outreach

Upcoming at Grace

- 3/19 Elders Meeting
- 3/22 Right Hand of Fellowship
- 3/28 Day of Prayer
- 4/3 Good Friday Communion Service
- 4/12 Parent Dedication

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 Karen Cowhick teaches "Faithfulness to Christ and His Church" from Ephesians 4:17-32.

| Tomorrow, March 16, 6:45 pm, T270

Elders Meeting

Open to our church family.

| Thursday, March 19, 7 pm, CC230

The Master's Kids Informational Meeting

TMK is a Bible-based kindergarten-prep program for children beginning kindergarten in fall 2027. Attendance at the meeting gives families priority for the 2027-2028 class. Child care is available for children ages 5 and under.

Tuesday, April 7, 10 am-12 pm, CC230
RSVP to bvoor@sbcglobal.net by March 24 with the name and date of birth of any children requiring child care.

Parent Dedication

This is a time when parents commit to raising their children according to the principles of God's Word. Parents who are members of Grace Church and whose babies are 24 months of age or younger may sign up by emailing childrens@gracechurch.org. Sign-ups close Friday, April 3 or when capacity is met.

| Sunday, April 12, 6 pm, Worship Center



50 Years of ASL Ministry

Yesterday marked the 50th anniversary of the ASL ministry at Grace Community Church (previously the Deaf Ministry) which began on March 14, 1976. We give thanks and glory to God for sustaining this ministry with Deaf and Hard of Hearing members and attendees over these many years. If you know or are learning American Sign Language and would like to get involved, please email aslministry@gracechurch.org.

Parenting Conference

Join us for the second annual Parenting Conference for the families of Grace Community Church. This year's theme is "Gospel Parenting: Holding Fast to Timeless Truths."

Saturday, April 25, 9 am–4:30 pm
Cost: \$30 (Individual) • \$50 (Couple)
Register:
gracechurch.org/parentingconference

Only Hope Prison Ministries Chaplain's Training Academy

Only Hope Prison Ministries will begin the next cycle of its Training Academy this June. The academy is offered in a modular format and is intended for men and women who desire to minister in a jail or prison. The training provides both the theological foundation and practical insight necessary for ministry in a correctional setting.

Rev. Rich Hines serves as director of chaplain training. Applications should be submitted to Rev. Rich Hines by May 4, 2026. Rev. Hines served on pastoral staff at GCC for 17 years and has nearly 50 years of chaplaincy experience.

June 1–6
Apply: onlyhopeprisonministries.com/academy-training

Grace to You

Radio: *The Divine Drama of Redemption*

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: "Divine Barriers to Superficial Seekers"

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

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
- Property Accountant, PT
- Security Director, FT

| 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.

With the Lord

John Finton is now in the presence of the Lord; there will be a memorial service in his honor on March 21 at 11 am in the Chapel. Please keep his family in your prayers.

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His godly ones (Psalm 116:15).

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.



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

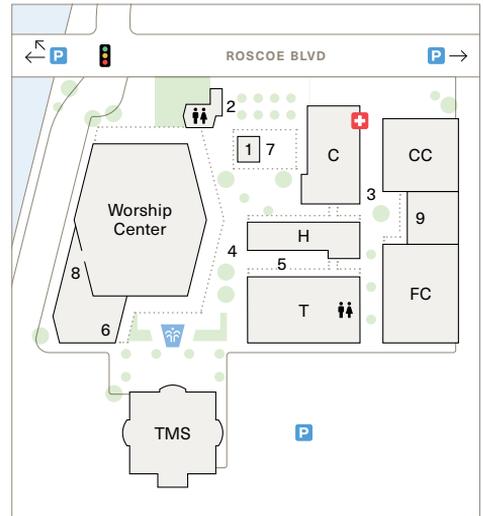
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Public Wi-Fi:
Grace Church Wi-Fi
Password:
Proverbs3:5-6

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
gty.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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