

Grace *Today*

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Today at Grace

9 and 11 am

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Scholar's Desk
Steeple House Coffee

On the Patio

- Faith Promise
- Fundamentals of the Faith
- Local Outreach
- Children's Hunger Fund
- Grace Education

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 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

Concerto I: Allegro

Stephen Sturz, Organ Prelude • Handel

Hymn 265 *Lamb of God*

Hymn 19 *To God Be the Glory*

Congregation

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

Gabriel Mulder, Piano • Dykes/Mulder

Scripture Reading & Prayer

Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel?

Worship Choir • Traditional Spiritual/Hogan

Hymn 61 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

Congregation

Announcements & Offering

Jesus Is Mine

Lisa Martin • Kauflin-Getty-Merker

MESSAGE

True Greatness

Nathan Busenitz • Mark 9:30–37

Now Thank We All Our God

Organ Postlude • Crüger/Thompson

Evening Worship Service — 6 pm

Prelude

Songs of Praise

Michael Bohr

Baptism

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MESSAGE

The Preeminent Servant

Carl Hargrove • Isaiah 49:1–7

Right Hand of Fellowship

Postlude

ANTHEM

Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel?

Didn't my Lord deliver Daniel,
Then why not every man?

Refrain:

*Didn't my Lord deliver Daniel,
Deliver Daniel, deliver Daniel?
Didn't my Lord deliver Daniel,
And why not-a every man.*

He delivered Daniel from the lion's den,
Jonah from the belly of the whale,
And the Hebrew children from the fiery furnace,
And why not every man? Hallelujah!

Refrain

The wind blows east and the wind blows west,
It blows like the judgement day,
And every poor soul that never did pray
Will be glad to pray that day. Hallelujah!

Refrain

I set my foot on the Gospel ship,
And the ship, it begin to sail.
It landed me over on Canaan's shore,
And I'll never come back no more. Hallelujah!

Refrain

Didn't my Lord deliver Daniel,
Deliver Daniel, deliver Daniel?
Didn't my Lord deliver Daniel,
Yes, from the lion's den,
And Jonah from the belly of the whale,
And the Hebrew children from the fiery furnace?

Then why? He delivered, yes, He did, delivered Daniel
from the lion's...

Oh yes, a-every man yes, He did,
Delivered Daniel from the lion's...
Oh, yes, He did.
Tell me why not every man?

Song by Traditional Spiritual. Arranged by Moses Hogan.

TODAY

Children's Hunger Fund

Project Food Pak • Ends Today

Through Project Food Pak, CHF partners with local churches to deliver food directly to children in need and their families, as well as to open a door for the gospel. Today is the last Sunday to return Food Paks at the collection points across campus.

| gracechurch.org/chf

FEATURED BOOK

How to Lead Your Family

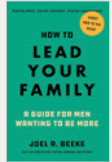
by Joel Beeke

Being a godly husband and father isn't about one big heroic moment—it's about showing up every day. This book is a simple, biblical plan to help you stay faithful in the daily grind of leading your family.

"This book is a masterpiece." —Ted Tripp

"Read it over and over until you are shaped by it." —Paul Washer

Available today
for **40% off** retail
at Grace Books and
the Scholar's Desk.



GRACE KIDS

Sunday School

9 and 11 am

God's Glory Fills the Temple

1 Kings 8:1–9:9

Main Idea: Christians must learn to depend on God's faithfulness.

Application: Rejoice that God is faithful.

Featured Hymn: *All Creatures of Our God and King* (Hymn 11)

Review: How was God faithful in today's lesson?

Next Week: 1 Kings 11

Adventure Club

6 pm

Lesson 25: Union with Christ

Memory Verse: Ephesians 1:3

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

A New Year of Faith Promise

Faith Promise is an opportunity for our church to prayerfully consider what we might commit to giving to our missionaries monthly, beyond our regular giving.

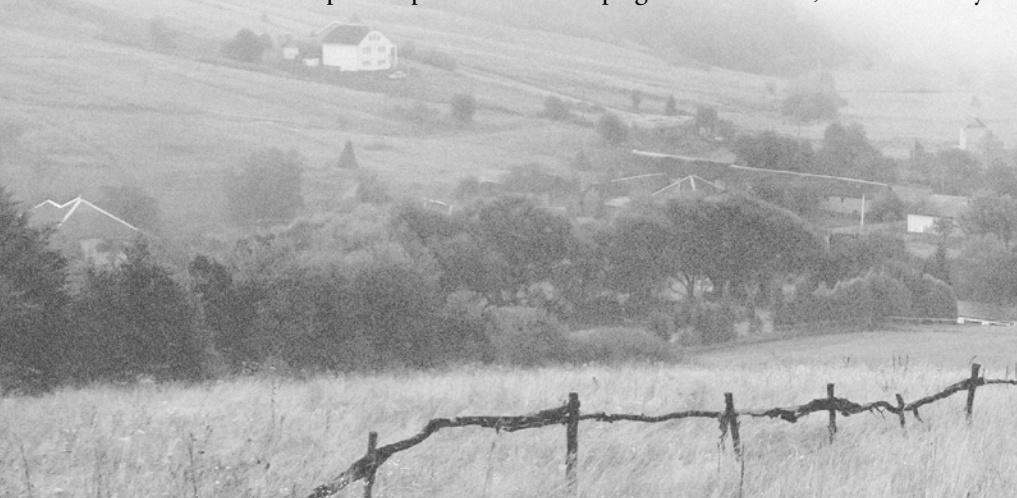
In late 2007, Grace Church's international outreach was facing several financial challenges. Missionary families were facing budget shortfalls due to fluctuating exchange rates, pastoral training centers were expanding and required more funding, and six new missionary families were preparing to head overseas. It was then that, under Pastor John's leadership, Grace Church began a new initiative to faithfully support its missionaries through those challenging times—this initiative was called Faith Promise.

The idea had four simple components.

First, Grace Church members would be asked to prayerfully consider giving over and above their regular giving. Second, each person would decide before the Lord what amount they would give in the coming year, trusting God to provide—even if they did not know where the money would come from. Third, this faith promise would be written anonymously on a tear-out card, like the one in your hands today. Finally, as God provided, we would give gratefully in response to His provision.

This was not blind faith, but faith anchored in two biblical principles. First, the local church has a responsibility to support missionaries as they labor for the spread of the gospel. Second, we can be confident that God will provide for what He calls us to do.

In May 2008, the first Faith Promise campaign was launched, and in the very



*There is no one like You among
the gods, O Lord,
Nor are there any works like Yours.
All nations whom You have
made shall come and worship
before You, O Lord,
And they shall glorify Your name.*

Psalm 86:8-9



first week, one million dollars was pledged. What Pastor John could not have foreseen was that, after the first Sunday, a donor stepped forward and agreed to match that one million dollars, dollar for dollar, as it was given. By the time the campaign ended in April 2009, Grace Church members had given over one million dollars toward the spread of the gospel—which was then matched to more than two million dollars because of that donor's gift.

The seeds of this initiative have now grown into nineteen consecutive years of Faith Promise. Because unreached people groups and the strengthening of the global church are close to God's heart, we trust that He will provide once again in the coming year.

This Sunday and next, you will find a Faith Promise commitment card in Grace Today. We encourage you to prayerfully

consider how you might sacrifice over and above your regular giving. You may not know where these funds will come from, but we invite you to pray in faith about a specific amount you will give if the Lord provides. When you are ready—this week or next—write this amount on the tear-out card in Grace Today, place the card in the offering bag, and begin praying that God will provide.

May we be challenged again this year to pray fervently, give generously, and care for our missionaries in this very practical way. We look forward to seeing what God will do over the next twelve months as we partner together for the advance of the gospel around the world.

For more information or to commit to give, stop by the Patio table this morning or visit gracechurch.org/fp.



GRACE AROUND THE WORLD



The Armel Family

Santiago & Juliana, Santiago, Daniel

Serving in Colombia since 2021

Pray for the salvation of our children and that the Lord will grow us spiritually as a family. Pray for our evangelistic efforts in Cali and for more people to be saved. Please also pray for the sanctification and maturity of our church.

| gracechurch.org/armel

Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$8,450**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries.

| gracechurch.org/fp

LOCAL OUTREACH SPOTLIGHT

Korean Outreach Bible Study

The Korean Outreach Bible Study seeks to provide fellowship for Korean-speaking members of Grace Church, as well as to reach out to the Korean community in Los Angeles. Korean Outreach meets every first and third Sunday for fellowship, prayer, worship, and Bible study.

| Next Sunday, May 3, 1 pm, H222-224
| Info: Jong Yi, 818-634-5987

Upcoming at Grace

- 5/3 STM Send-Off
- 5/10 TMS Commencement, 6 pm
- 5/17 Communion
- 5/21 Elders Meeting
- 5/24 Right Hand of Fellowship
- 5/25 Memorial Day (Campus closed)

gracechurch.org/calendar

HIGHLIGHTS

Grace Education Curriculum Sample Giveaway

Grace Education is developing a K-12 Bible curriculum for schools and homeschool families, built on Grace Church's doctrinal commitments. Lessons include structured, engaging content designed to equip students with a deep knowledge and love of Scripture. Preview samples of the curriculum are available today.

| Today, before and after both morning services, Patio
| Information: graceeducation.org/curriculum

Teacher Appreciation Lunch

Grace Education is excited to invite K-12 classroom teachers to our second annual Teacher Appreciation Lunch, designed to encourage educational professionals who serve in a variety of school settings. The lunch will include updates on the state of education, opportunities to connect with other teachers, and prayerful motivation for this important work to impact young lives for truth.

| Sunday, May 3, 1-2:30 pm, T260
| RSVP by today:



Grace Education Enrollment Opportunities

Enrollment for fall 2026 is currently underway for K-12 students through Faith Christian PSP, Grace Academy, and Legacy Christian Academy. Limited spaces are available in these home-based, hybrid, and site-based programs; if your child will be entering grades K-12 in fall 2026, we encourage you to apply today.

| Apply: graceeducation.org/programs

One with Christ

One with Christ exists to strengthen widows as they walk worthy of their calling (Ephesians 4:1), seeing God's hand in their circumstances, and finding strength and hope in God's Word. All widows are welcome to join us as we begin our study of *Respectable Sins* by Jerry Bridges.

Tomorrow, April 27, 9:30 am, T172
Info: 818-909-5521, womens@gracechurch.org
gracechurch.org/one-with-christ

Math3ma Symposium 2026

The Math3ma Symposium, hosted by The Master's University, June 26–27, invites Christians faithfully serving in various disciplines within the sciences, technology, engineering, and mathematics for a time of fellowship and encouragement.

Register: math3ma.institute/symposium

Middle School Summer Camp

Students entering grades 7–8 this fall are invited to join us for summer camp this June.

June 19–22, Forest Home Ojai
Cost: \$399 (\$450 after May 10)
Register by June 5:
gracechurch.org/xchange

Giving to Summer Camps

Bless a middle school or high school student by supporting their trip to camp this summer.

Middle School: gracechurch.org/xchange
High School: gracechurch.org/180

Vacation Bible School Volunteers

If you are a member of Grace Church, consider serving at this year's VBS, June 23–26.

For more information or to sign up, visit gracechurch.org/vbsvolunteer.

Grace to You

Radio: *Why Is Preaching Worth Fighting For?* & "Why I Love the Church"

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: "The Inescapable Corruption of Sin"

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

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Happy Birthday Dolores Michaelson!

Happy 95th birthday to Dolores Michaelson, one of Grace Church's founding members! We are so thankful to the Lord for Dolores's decades of service to our church family.

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.

- Dishwasher, PT
- Events Server, PT
- Grace Curriculum Customer Service Manager, FT
- Nursery Supervisor, PT
- Security Director, FT
- Staff Accountant, FT
- TMS Events Coordinator, 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.

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
Pastor: Steve Crawford

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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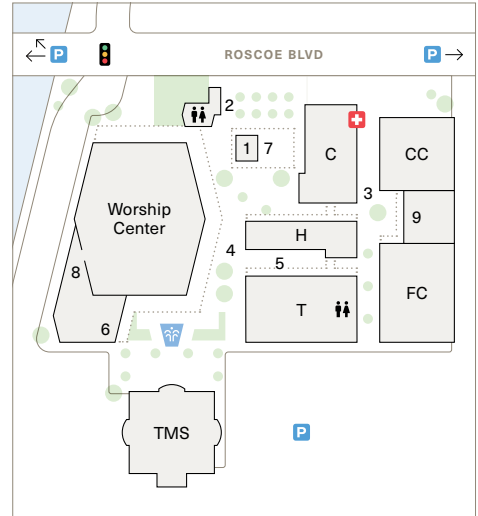
Public Wi-Fi:
Grace Church Wi-Fi

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
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