

# Grace *Today*

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## Featured

The Sufficiency  
of Scripture Summit



# 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

- Day of Prayer
- Fundamentals of the Faith
- Local Outreach
- Walk for Life

## 1 pm

Korean Outreach (H222-224)  
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 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](http://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

Nathan Busenitz, Pastor-Teacher  
Bill Brandenstein, Minister of Music

### *Fugue in G Minor*

Stephen Sturz, Organ Prelude • Bach

### Hymn 14 *Give to Our God Immortal Praise*

### Hymn 110 *Thine Is the Glory*

Congregation

### *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Strings & Woodwinds Ensemble • Trad./Thompson

### Scripture Reading & Prayer

### *Doxology*

Worship Choir • Vale-Patty/Sterling

### Hymn 6 *The God of Abraham Praise*

Congregation

### Announcements & Offering

### *I Will Rise*

Grace Chung • Tomlin-Reeves-Giglio-Maher/Galbraith-Rice

### MESSAGE

### One Bride for Seven Brothers

Nathan Busenitz • Mark 12:18-27

### *Postlude in G*

Organ Postlude • Cappelén

## Evening Worship Service — 6 pm

### Prelude

### Songs of Praise

Chris Burnett

### Announcements & Offering

### MESSAGE

### How the Story Ends: God's Plan for the Future

Panel Q&A • Abner Chou, Brad Klassen,  
Mike Riccardi, and Nathan Busenitz

### Postlude

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## ANTHEM

### *Doxology*

Here, He is here.  
He has blessed us with His presence in this place.  
We will not be the same.  
Hear, can you hear?  
All creation sings, the heavens glorify His holy name.

Now to the King, eternal, immortal and invisible,  
To the only God be honor and glory forever, amen, amen.

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He has blessed us with His presence in this place.  
We will not be the same.  
Hear, can you hear?  
All creation sings, the heavens glorify His holy name.

Now to the King, eternal, immortal and invisible,  
To the only God be honor and glory forever, amen,  
And glory forever, amen.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Now to the King, eternal, immortal and invisible,  
To the only God be honor and glory forever, amen, amen!

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## TODAY

### Membership Classes

If you're interested in becoming part of our church family, a new cycle of Membership Matters classes begins today. For more information on the membership process, visit the Member Center on any Sunday after either morning service.

Beginning today, 11 am, TMS Library (West)  
[gracechurch.org/membership](http://gracechurch.org/membership)

### New Here?

Visit the **Welcome Center** for more information about the ministries of our church. If you would like to learn more about membership and baptism, visit the **Member Center**.

*See back for locations.*

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## FEATURED BOOK

### *Reading the Psalms as Scripture*

by James Hamilton

The Psalms cultivate a life of prayer grounded in Scripture. This book will guide the reader to delight in the spiritual artistry of the Psalms as they give us words to pray by drawing us into this story. When we meditate on the promises and patterns in the Psalms, we can read, pray, and sing them with faithfulness.

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



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## GRACE KIDS

### Sunday School

9 and 11 am

#### Jesus's Miracles

Mark 4:35–41

Main Idea: Jesus has divine power over creation.

Application: Recognize Jesus as the Creator and follow Him.

Featured Hymn: *The Solid Rock* (Hymn 381)

Review: Why were the disciples afraid after Jesus stopped the storm?

Next Week: John 11:1–44

### Adventure Club

6 pm

#### Spiritual Warfare

Ephesians 6:12

Next Week: No Adventure Club

For Sunday School and Adventure Club room locations, visit Children's Check-In.  
[gracechurch.org/gracekids](http://gracechurch.org/gracekids)

FEATURED



# The Sufficiency of Scripture Summit

November  
6-7

Grace Community Church  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Register: [masters.edu/sufficiency](https://masters.edu/sufficiency)



**THERE HAS ALWAYS BEEN  
A BATTLE FOR THE BIBLE.**

From the moment the serpent asked, “Did God really say?” God’s Word has been under assault. While past generations fought to uphold the inspiration and inerrancy of Scripture, the battle presently continues on another front: the sufficiency of Scripture. Some endorse the veracity of the Bible but hesitate to acknowledge its authority over every matter of life, choosing to allow other voices and professionals outside of Scripture to shape their thinking and practice. But a divine word that cannot speak to the matters of this life is no word at all.

We are convinced that the Bible is sufficient for every discipline and situation, and we are also convinced that this is the moment when we must secure that conviction. Pastor MacArthur wisely observed that the first generation in any movement defends doctrine, the second enjoys it, and the third loses it. Our burden is that this generation—in every church and ministry represented—would be that first generation: defending the truth of God’s Word and advocating for its sufficiency with passion, clarity, and conviction.

To that end, on November 6–7, The Master’s University (TMU) is hosting The Sufficiency of Scripture

Summit. In partnership with affiliated ministries, this conference is meant to galvanize our generation to understand, embrace, and defend the doctrine of the sufficiency of Scripture. Through preaching, seminars, resources, fellowship, and hospitality, our goal is to provide clarity and instill courage in a cultural moment marked by confusion and cowardice.

During the summit, Pastor Nathan Busenitz and Dr. Abner Chou, along with guest speaker H.B. Charles, will present a historic statement on the sufficiency of Scripture formed by scholars and pastors in our ministries and reviewed by ministers across the world. Those who attend the conference will be the official initial signatories of this statement, which is designed to be a helpful guide for our churches, schools, and ministries to define and defend Scripture’s sufficiency. This is a truly historic moment we hope to share with you.

We would be honored by your presence and participation, and we welcome you to invite like-minded friends to gather for this important occasion. Together, let us contend for the sufficiency of God’s Word and equip the church to stand firm in this generation and beyond.



## The Masambuka Family

*Chisomo & Thando, Kwanu*

### Ministry Partners since 2026 Serving in Malawi

Pray for a healthy transition into work at the Central African Preaching Academy and Reformation Bible Church; pray that our team will grow in unity and cohesion. Please also pray that the Lord will give our family wisdom in parenting, home life, and serving as we learn to live in our context again.

| [gracechurch.org/mtcs](https://gracechurch.org/mtcs)

## Faith Promise

Last week you generously gave **\$8,303**. Thank you for your ongoing support of our missionaries.

| [gracechurch.org/fp](https://gracechurch.org/fp)

### LOCAL OUTREACH SPOTLIGHT

## Basketball Outreach

Every Monday night, the Family Center is transformed into Grace Gym for an evening of basketball and evangelism. Many people from the neighborhood come to play basketball, and at halftime there is a faithful gospel presentation. We would love for our church family to join us in modeling how to compete in a Christlike manner and in taking opportunities between games to personally engage our friends with the gospel.

| Mondays, 7:30 pm, Family Center  
[gracechurch.org/basketball-outreach](https://gracechurch.org/basketball-outreach)

## Upcoming at Grace

- 10/10 Crossroads Conference
- 10/11 Installation Service & Celebration for Pastor Nathan Busenitz
- 10/15 Elders Meeting
- 10/16 Sam Britten Memorial
- 10/17 Day of Prayer
- 10/24 Family Fair
- 10/25 Grace for the Children
- 11/6-7 Sufficiency of Scripture Summit

[gracechurch.org/calendar](https://gracechurch.org/calendar)

### HIGHLIGHTS

## Crossroads Equipping Conference

College students and anyone ages 18–25 are invited to our first-ever Crossroads Equipping Conference, a one-day event designed to equip this particular demographic with biblical answers to some of life's most pressing issues. The conference theme is "Created in God's Image," and Pastor Steve Crawford will unpack what the Bible says about human life, race and ethnicity, gender, and sexuality.

| Saturday, October 10, 9 am–5 pm. Register:  
[gracechurch.org/crossroadconference](https://gracechurch.org/crossroadconference)

## Installation Service & Celebration for Pastor Nathan Busenitz

Join us next Sunday, October 11, as Nathan Busenitz is formally installed as our senior pastor. Sinclair Ferguson will preach during the morning service, and there will be an afternoon service at 3 pm, featuring a Q&A with Pastor Nathan and his wife, Beth. The afternoon will conclude with a Plaza Fellowship.

## God's Word in Hebrew

Are you praying for the salvation of an unbelieving Jewish friend? Jerry & Nancy Sands, representatives with the Society for Distributing Hebrew Scriptures, will be offering a limited supply of free, bilingual, Hebrew/English Old & New Testament Bibles, next Sunday before and after both morning services. There is no greater gift that you could give to an unbelieving Jewish friend.

| Sunday, October 11, before and after both morning services, GraceWalk

## TMS Preview Day

The Master's Seminary would like to invite the men of Grace Community Church to attend TMS Preview Day, a unique opportunity to explore the heart of The Master's Seminary and its mission to train faithful expositors of God's Word. Experience classes and chapel, connect with faculty and students, and see how TMS can equip you for gospel ministry.

Tuesday, October 13. Sign up:



## Day of Prayer

Join us at any point during the day for a day dedicated to prayer on Saturday, October 17. 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 fellowship with elders and fellow believers, trusting together in the Lord through prayer.

Submit prayer requests at the Patio table today and next Sunday, or turn your cards in at the Office Center reception desk throughout the week.

Saturday, October 17, 6 am–6 pm,  
T70 (Tower Basement)

## Family Fair

Families are invited to enjoy an afternoon of games, bounce houses, food, fellowship, and more. Game tickets and lunch will be available for purchase.

Saturday, October 24, 12–4 pm  
[gracechurch.org/familyfair](http://gracechurch.org/familyfair)

## Women's Fall Bake-Off

All women are invited to enter their favorite pie or cookie recipes at the Great Fall Bake-Off during this year's Family Fair. Join us for a friendly competition and an opportunity to enjoy the baking talents of our church family.

Sign up by Monday, October 19, at  
[gracechurch.org/bakeoff](http://gracechurch.org/bakeoff).



TONIGHT, 6 PM

## How the Story Ends: God's Plan for the Future

Panel Q&A

Abner Chou, Brad Klassen,  
Mike Riccardi, & Nathan Busenitz



## Grace to You: Sermons Anytime, Anywhere

GTY provides easy access to John MacArthur's extensive sermon archive. Download the GTY app, subscribe to the podcast and YouTube channel, and find your local radio station or television broadcast by visiting [gty.org](http://gty.org).

### GTY Featured Sermons

AUDIO: *Without Excuse: Principles of God's Judgment*

VIDEO: "The Truth About Hell, Part 1"

| [gty.org](http://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](mailto:hr@gracechurch.org) or 818-909-5672.*

- Dishwasher, PT
- Nursery Supervisor, PT

For full job descriptions and benefits information,

| visit [gracechurch.org/jobs](http://gracechurch.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](http://gracechurch.org/ministries).



## 9 am

- Anchored T360**  
Pastor: Carl Hargrove
- Cornerstone T370**  
Pastors: 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: Adam Bossom

## 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: Trent Mabs
- Developmentally Disabled CC130E**  
Pastor: Rick McLean
- Spanish Ministries Chapel**  
Pastor: Josiah Grauman

# Campus Map

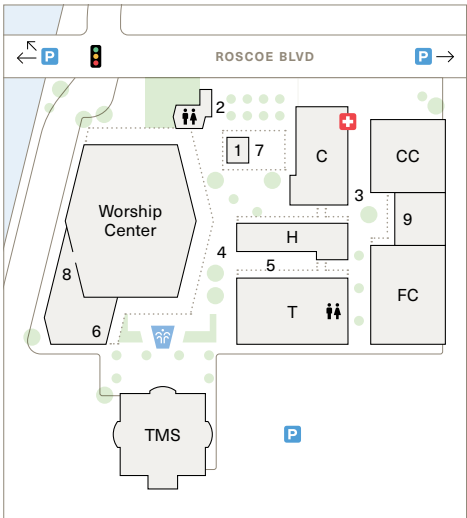
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Proverbs3:5-6

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)



To glorify God by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit, for the salvation of the lost and edification of the church.

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](http://gracechurch.org/giving).

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