TO KNOW CHRIST AND TO MAKE CHRIST KNOWN

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WELCOME TO GRACE CHURCH!

VISITING GRACE?

It's great to have you here today, and we'd love to connect with you! Visit graceinracine.com/connectcard or scan this QR code to let us know you visited, ask questions, submit prayer requests, or indicate an area of Grace Church that is of interest to you.



Masks are optional. Let's continue to be kind and respectful of one another at this stage of the pandemic. It's our prayer that we will be known as a church that displays Christ in how we interact with one another. You are welcome to wear a mask. and we have masks available at the information booth if you need one.

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

PRAISE

Welcome Pastor Ryan Boyer Call To Worship Psalm 116:12-19

"From Whom All Blessings Flow"

"How Deep The Father's Love For Us"

RENEWAL

Prayer of Renewal Pastor Ryan Boyer

"Lord I Need You"

PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word: <u>1 Peter 4:1-11</u> Clint Klepp

Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word Pastor Mike Matheson

RESPONSE

Communion
"Christ Our Hope In Life and Death"
Benediction

Matthew Lautz

CARE MINISTRY

PRAYER FOR HEALING & RECOVERY

Our heartfelt love, sympathy, and prayers to Scott & Carol Sauder & family on the passing of Scott's father, Elmer Sauder

Due to the size of our church, we're not always aware of every need. Please help us by sending life updates to <u>care@graceinracine.com</u>.

If you have something that is weighing you down today, please come down front after service and we will pray with you. You can also share your request on the connection card and our prayer team will lift you up to the Lord.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY (CR) Meets Tuesdays at 6:30pm in the Loft. CR is a safe place to find support if you are struggling with a difficult season of life. CR is not just for addicts; it is for all of us who need to go deeper in Christ when life gets hard. Don't struggle alone - please join us for hope and encouragement every Tuesday evening.

Questions? Contact Jim Olson: jolson@graceinracine.com // 262.977.6531

ATTENDANCE & GIVING

SUNDAY, OCT 31, 2021

Sanctuary Attendance: 431 Livestream Attendance: 74 Giving: \$50,750 **2021 GIVING**

Year to Date: \$1,299,955 +/- Budget: \$-9,510

MAKING CHRIST KNOWN: LOCALLY

This holiday season, you have the opportunity to bless people locally, in the city of Racine, here's how:

Harvest Outreach Food Pantry

Drop off food items on Sunday, November 21st

Requested Items:

- Gravy (NO Glass jars cans, packages, or plastic jars please)
- Boxed potatoes (flakes, au gratin, etc.)
- Canned corn, yams, green beans, and cranberry sauce
- Canned fruit
- Pie kits (include a fruit, a Jiffy pie crust mix, and if pumpkin included a carnation evaporated milk)
- Jello/Pudding boxed mixes
- Christmas candies

Julian Thomas Elementary School

Drop off items on Sunday, November 21, or scan the QR code and shop the <u>Amazon list</u>.



- Individually wrapped/packaged snacks
- Microwaveable food (we send some of our students home with food for the weekend)
- Pull-on sweatpants or leggings
- Crewneck or hoodie sweatshirts
- Socks
- Underwear
- Long & short-sleeved t-shirts
- Winter hats
- Insulated winter gloves or mittens
- School supplies (pencils, crayons, paper, glue sticks, etc...)
- ChapStick
- Body Lotion
- Kleenex
- Laundry detergent

Suggested sizes: Child through smaller adult (for kindergarten – 5th graders)

Clothing items in navy, blue, grey, black colors.

GRACE HAPPENINGS

MEN'S GATHERING

Saturday, November 13, 8-9:30am Speaker: Matthew Lautz

Topic: "Does God Always Answer

Prayer?"

many to expect:

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Men's Gatherings are a time for men to connect, be taught from God's word, and spur each other on in our faith. All men are welcome! Please RSVP to help us know how THANKSGIVING PRAYER

GATHERING & PIE

Sunday, November 21.6

Sunday, November 21, 6pm Join us for an evening of prayer, praise, & giving thanks! Stay after for fellowship & pie (provided by us)!

THE WEEKLY 13

Get our weekly happenings in your email.

The Weekly is a list of all the things happening at Grace for that upcoming week.



It will remind you of events you need to attend, and it will also help you to see all that God is doing through the various ministries at Grace.

The Weekly will arrive in your email box on Thursdays.

To be added to the email list, simply scan the QR code or head over to our website where you'll find a button to provide us with your email address.

WORSHIPPERS IN TRAINING QUESTIONS

Parents – here are two questions to ask your child this week about their time in Worshippers in Training! Remember – they will be receiving a question to ask you too!

- 1. What has Jesus done for us in the PAST, and what hope does that give us for the FUTURE and how do both of those things change how we live TODAY?
- 2. What is one way you want to glorify God in your actions this week? How can I pray for you in that?

SERMON REVIEW DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

These questions are for *after* the sermon and can be used for Life Group discussion, one-to-one discipleship, or personal reflection and application.

Time is of the essence. Though true for all in some circumstances, this truism is always true for those who follow Christ. How we live now should reflect our future hope while contrasting our former passions. Just as Christ once suffered, those willing to endure suffering now demonstrate a genuine desire to please God. Despite the great cost, those who turn away from the passions of the flesh will be those who experience the fullness of the glory of the One who made it all possible. This is the vision that Peter calls for us to live out in our lives as exiles. Thankfully, he also provided specific ways for us to live this out.

Discussion Questions

- 1. In what areas of life do you feel a sense of urgency? From where does that sense of urgency come? Why does Peter prioritize the need to turn away from sin? How does the threat of suffering affect your willingness to live for God's will over your own passions?
- 2. How does Christ's suffering serve as motivation for our own endurance of suffering (vs. 1-2)? How does being willing to suffer affect our attitude toward sin? Where does Peter say we should focus the rest of our lives? What keeps you from focusing your life there?
- 3. How should believers' lives look different from unbelievers (vs. 3-4)? Which of these behaviors listed by Peter do you find to be ongoing struggles? Does fear of rejection by unbelievers affect your living for God's will? What does this battle look like in your life?
- 4. Why does Peter direct his readers' attention to the final judgment (vs. 5-6)? How can we keep from allowing our fear of suffering (and even death) from faithfully pursuing God's will? How does this reaffirm our need to have our hope fully set on Christ?
- 5. What is Peter's appeal for why we must live different lives (vs. 7-11)? What practical ways does he exhort us to live out our faith? How evident are these behaviors in your life currently? How can we grow to live for Christ with greater urgency? What steps can you take to bring him greater glory now as we await our future hope and put away our past?



SUNDAY NOVEMBER 7

<u>1 Peter 4:1-11</u> Pastor Mike Matheson GLORY AND DOMINION FOREVER AND EVER