

**TO KNOW CHRIST AND
TO MAKE CHRIST KNOWN**



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**NOW IN FLESH
APPEARING**



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
Call To Worship
["Joy To The World \(Joyful Joyful\)"](#)
["Hark The Herald Angels Sing"](#)

Pastor Ryan Boyer
[Revelation 15:3b-4](#)

RENEWAL

Advent Reading: Amundson Family
LOVE Candle -- [Philippians 2:5-11](#)
["O Holy Night"](#)

PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word: [Judges 13:1-24a](#)
Prayer of Illumination
Preaching of the Word

Clint Klepp

Pastor Mike Matheson

RESPONSE

["O Come O Come Emmanuel"](#)
Benediction

Matthew Lautz

CARE MINISTRY

PRAYER FOR HEALING & RECOVERY

Please pray for healing and recovery for those hospitalized or recently discharged: Debbie Palmer

On the passing on Judy Gaal, we extend our sympathies to her son, Bo Gaal.

Our heartfelt love, sympathy, and prayers to Dave & Bonny Anderson on the passing of Bonny's mother, Blanche Sturman.

CARD SHOWER FOR JIM OLSON

Jim Olson, Grace's Care Minister, is retiring at the end of December after many faithful years of ministry. As he moves onto this next chapter, we want to bless him by encouraging him with cards detailing how he has cared for you and made an impact on your life as well as prayers for his future. You can send your cards directly to the church by addressing them to: Jim Olson Card Shower.

CARING FOR OUR GRACE CHURCH FAMILY

If your family is experiencing financial challenges and would be blessed by assistance with your Christmas dinner, fill out a Connection Card found in the seat back in front of you. Be sure to write "Christmas" and your name, address and phone number on the card and drop it in the offering plate.

Contact the office and ask for the Grace Church Benevolence Ministry, 262-632-2111 or lnewlun@graceinracine.com with questions.

GIVING ENVELOPES

2022 Giving envelopes have arrived and are located on the table by the Bookstall. Blank boxes are also available for those who do not yet have envelopes assigned. Online giving is also an option available through Realm - visit graceinracine.com/realms for more information. Thank you!

ATTENDANCE & GIVING

SUNDAY, DEC 5, 2021

Sanctuary Attendance: 429
Livestream Attendance: 90
Giving: \$42,289

2021 GIVING

Year to Date: \$1,484,513
+/- Budget: \$-63,732

GRACE HAPPENINGS



Merry Christmas!

Merry Christmas! The Grace Church staff and elders wish you and your family a wonderful Christmas celebration, worshipping Jesus Christ and celebrating his work in our lives.

Please note that the church office will be closed Monday, December 26 - Friday, December 31st. If you have an urgent need, please call and leave a message; we will respond to you promptly. All financial donations for 2021 have to be postmarked by December 31st to be recorded for 2021 giving.

It's also very easy to give on-line through our website: graceinracine.com.

NO WORSHIPERS IN TRAINING ON DEC 26TH OR JAN 2ND

Elementary aged children should join their families for the entirety of the service.

WORSHIPERS IN TRAINING QUESTIONS

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

1. Who was the special baby promised to Manoah and his wife? Can you think of any other special babies that were promised in the Bible - who were they?

MISSIONS

SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIP

Join a team going to serve with Craig and Brenda Rebro in South Africa summer 2022. Know Christ more as you experience him in a different culture, and make Christ known by discipling teens at a youth camp, visiting and loving on caregivers, vulnerable children, and widows in local communities. Learn more at an informational meeting on January 9 after service in room A18. Contact Sheri Kobriger for more information: slkobriger@gmail.com.

PERSPECTIVES COURSE

Tuesdays at Grace Church from 6pm - 8:30pm beginning on January 25

What is Perspectives?

Perspectives is a fifteen-week discipleship course that will expand your understanding of how God is at work around the globe and what role you are to play. Instructors from around the world—including missionaries, professors, and pastors—will come to expand your understanding of God's redemptive plan for the world.

Why Perspectives is for You

This course is great for anyone who wants to invest their lives in God's kingdom for God's glory. It will challenge you to find your role in God's redemptive plan for the world.

How to Register

Scan the QR code below to register. The cost of the class is \$220. Early bird discounts are available until TODAY! Scholarships are available upon request; family discounts are also available. Questions? Contact Joe Kobriger (jobriger@gmail.com; 262-939-5152).



SERVE AT HALO: Today, Sunday December 19 // 4pm

Once a month a group from Grace meets at HALO to serve the residents by meeting their physical needs with a monthly meal. More importantly, we desire to engage them on a spiritual level to help them know Christ and to make Christ known.

The group prepares and serves a meal. Afterward, they have time of music, gospel presentation, prayer, and fun!

Scan the QR code or contact Paul Durbin for more details: 262-672-0686



SUNDAY DECEMBER 19

Judges 13:1-24a

Pastor Mike Matheson

SERMON
NOTES

IN BRIGHT FLAME
DURING DARK DAYS

THE WEEKLY

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.



NEXT WEEK

Revelation 21:1-4; 22:3-5