

To Know Christ and
To Make Christ Known



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The Son of Man at the Center

Revelation 1-3

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 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. Stop by the Welcome Table outside the sanctuary, we'd love to meet you!



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 your need up to the Lord.

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

PRAISE

Welcome
Call To Worship
["Jesus At The Center"](#)
["God Is For Us"](#)

Pastor Mike Matheson
[Isaiah 44:6-8](#)

RENEWAL

Prayer of Renewal
["Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me"](#)

Pastor Chris Amundson

PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word
Prayer of Illumination
Preaching of the Word

[Revelation 2-3](#)

Pastor Mike Matheson

RESPONSE

Silent Reflection
["O Praise The Name \(Anàstasis\)"](#)
Benediction

*The sanctuary will continue to be used for prayer and reflection following the service. We invite you to come down front if you have a prayer need.
Head to the Commons for fellowship after service.*

CARE MINISTRY

PRAYER FOR HEALING & RECOVERY

Please pray for healing and recovery for those hospitalized or recently discharged: Mark Schaefer, Jeanne Ferraro, Jazlin Rodriguez

Congratulations to Stephen & Lindsey Hesse on the birth of their baby boy, Kit Stephen Hesse!

PRAYER REQUESTS

We want to uphold you in prayer during times of need:

- Fill out a connect card online or from the seatback in front of you.
- Come down front after service Sunday morning and we will pray with you.
- Email prayer@graceinracine.com.

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.

Contact Gabe Stalker at celebraterecovery@graceinracine.com



FAMILY MINISTRY

NURSERY & PRESCHOOL

Childcare is available during the entirety of the worship service for children aged birth – Kindergarten. Children ages 2 - Kindergarten will also have an age-appropriate Bible lesson each week.

WORSHIPERS IN TRAINING (WIT)

Note: WIT will NOT meet on Sunday, November 27th. Children will stay with their families the entirety of the service.

IG-NITE & BLAZE

Will NOT meet on Wednesday, November 23rd.

ATTENDANCE & GIVING

LAST WEEK

Sanctuary Attendance: 484
Livestream Attendance: 72
Giving: \$21,987

2022 GIVING

Year to Date: \$1,368,976
+/- Budget: -\$2,755

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.

The Revelation of Jesus Christ is meant to motivate and equip us to be mature disciples of Jesus. It also gives us a glorious portrait of Jesus that is meant to encourage us. We have learned a lot in the last seven weeks. So this week we conclude our study of the proclamations to the seven churches by narrowing down our focus. In Revelation 2-3, the phrases “He who has an ear” and “The one who conquers” each are repeated seven times. Such repetition demands our attention. Through careful examination, we will find that only those who truly hear truly conquer. The words of the risen Jesus to the seven churches are words to us as well. Today may we turn to ask ourselves: Do I have ears to hear? Will I be counted among the conquerors?

Discussion Questions

1. When you hear the word “conquer,” what images come to mind? What does it look like for someone to conquer? How does the world portray a conqueror, and how does God portray a conqueror? Is there a difference?
2. Individually or in a group, read Revelation 2:7, 11, 17, 26-29 and 3:5-6, 12-13, 21-22 out loud. Which promise from the risen Jesus particularly stands out to you? Why? Why do you think He repeats the statements “he who has an ear” and “the one who conquers?” What do “hearing” and “conquering” have to do with each other?
3. Read Isaiah 6:8-10 and Matthew 13:1-23 out loud. In Matthew, we learn that a sower sows his seed indiscriminately and with varying results. The seed is the word of God, and the varying results are the people hearing this word. What do these two passages teach us about what it means to truly hear? Are they talking about physical hearing, or something greater? How might these passages enhance your understanding of “He who has an ear, let him hear” in Revelation?
4. Re-read Revelation 3:21-22. What is different about these verses compared to the other “the one who conquers” verses? Who are the ones conquering here? Then read Revelation 12:11, Romans 8:35-39, John 16:33, and Philippians 2:5-11. What do these passages teach us about what it means to truly *conquer*? How did Christ conquer? How do we conquer? What does it mean for us that Christ conquered?
5. Think about your day-to-day life. Do you truly hear the word of God? Where in your life can you see evidence of that? Do you conquer like Christ by being willing to lose everything for the sake of continued faithful witness? Where in your life can you see evidence of that? Conclude your reflections by turning to God in prayer.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

The church offices will be closed on Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th. We wish you and your family a blessed Thanksgiving as you remember and celebrate all of God's good gifts in your life!

THANKSGIVING OFFERING

Our Annual Thanksgiving Offering will be taken today. This offering is taken in addition to our regular offering.

This year's offering will be designated to our Field Workers, the Caballeros to help with Gimy's medical bills and to The Charles Simeon Trust preacher training in Iraq.

- Please write 'Thanksgiving' on your offering envelope.
- Giving online? Choose "Thanksgiving Offering" in the selection.

CHRISTMAS SEASON AT GRACE

POINTSETTIA'S FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

Share in the decoration of our sanctuary for Christmas Eve by purchasing a poinsettia. These poinsettias will be delivered in time to be used as decorations for our Christmas Eve service.

At the conclusion of the service, grab your poinsettia from the stage and take it home to enjoy.

Choose your flower pot size, flower color, and foil wrapping color. Prices range from \$12 to \$48 depending on the pot size you choose.

Scan the QR code to purchase or stop by the Information Center after service. Payment due upon purchase.



ADVENT 2022

Join us for the season of Advent, beginning on November 27th, as we continue through our study in the book of Revelation with a 4-week series entitled "Worthy is the Lamb."

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE // SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 3PM!

Mark your calendar to join us as we celebrate the coming of Christ to the Earth with "Lessons & Carols" and sing "Silent Night" by candle light. Stay after for cookies & cocoa!

CHRISTMAS MORNING SERVICE // SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 9:30AM

Join us Christmas morning as we gather for our weekly worship service.

GRACE HAPPENINGS

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

TODAY! 4:30pm

Our annual Thanksgiving service is today. We will have a time of celebration, a time of thanksgiving, and a time of remembrance. We have so much for which to be thankful. The Lord has blessed us in countless ways. We gather to remember His goodness to us and to pray our thanksgiving to our Savior.

After our service we will enjoy a meal together.

Grace will provide meat & mashed potatoes & gravy.

We'll need you to bring (based on 1st letter of last name):

A - G: Starch dish such as stuffing, corn, mac & cheese, etc.

H - L: Bread/Rolls

M - S: Dessert

T - Z: Veggie dish (green beans, salad, broccoli, etc)

Or, come early/stay after to help serve and clean up!

JULIAN THOMAS "OPERATION

SANTA"

In an effort to make student's holidays magical, donations are being accepted to be distributed to families with a goal to bless 60 Julian Thomas families. Scan the QR code for a shopping list.



MISSION PRAYER HOUR

Monday, November 21 // 7pm

Come join us in the loft tomorrow night at 7pm to meet and pray with Field Workers Rick & Donna Martin who serve in Peru.

MISSIONARY VISIT - TODAY!

After service today, Field Workers Rick & Donna Martin who serve in Ayacucho, Peru will be in the Loft for a time of sharing and updates about the work they are doing in Peru.

CARING FOR OUR GRACE CHURCH FAMILY

If your family is experiencing financial challenges and would be blessed by assistance with your Thanksgiving dinner, fill out a Connection Card found in the seat back in front of you. Write "Thanksgiving" and your name, address and phone number on the card and drop it in the offering box. If you have questions, contact the office and ask for the Grace Church Benevolence Ministry, 262-632-2111 or email lnewlun@graceinracine.com