

TO KNOW
CHRIST
AND TO MAKE
CHRIST
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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 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
["Agnus Dei/King of Kings"](#)
["How Great Thou Art"](#)

Pastor Chris Amundson
[Psalm 100:1-3](#)

RENEWAL

Prayer of Renewal
["Sovereign Over Us"](#)

[1 John 3:4](#)

PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word
Prayer of Illumination
Preaching of the Word

[Matthew 20:25-28](#)

Pastor Mike Matheson

RESPONSE

["Psalm 23: Surely Goodness Surely Mercy"](#)
Benediction

Matthew Lautz

*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

Our heartfelt love, sympathy, and prayers to Roger Prucha on the passing of his wife, Lois.

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

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

[DISCIPLE-MAKING PARENT CONFERENCE](#)

with Chap Bettis, Author of *The Disciple-Making Parent*

March 17: 6:30pm - 8:30 & March 18: 9am - 12pm
Childcare is available, you must register in advance.

Raising our children to love and follow Jesus Christ is our highest parenting priority. But most parents are woefully uninformed and unequipped in this area. They are leaving it all to the church. In this seminar, we want to inspire, encourage, exhort and equip parents in this vital area of living the Christian life.



ATTENDANCE & GIVING

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 586
Giving: \$18,413

2023 GIVING

Year to Date: \$71,972
+/- Budget: \$752

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.

We have now reached week 4 of our series on the local church. Jumping off from Matthew 20, Pastor Mike shared a Christ centered view of leadership when it comes to the oversight and carrying out the work of the local church. Just like so many other aspects of the Kingdom of God, the function of church leadership differs greatly from the values of the world. But it serves to magnify the Lord greatly when carried out as scripture prescribes.

Discussion Questions

1. As we've been walking through this series on the local church, how is our church doing as a congregation? In what areas do you feel that we are doing well? In what areas do we still have room to grow?
2. Read Matthew 20:20-25. What is wrong with the mother's request? What does Jesus' response tell us about how God sees leadership?
3. In what ways do we sometimes take cues from politics or corporate settings in our expectations about church leadership? How do we combat veering off in that direction?
4. Does the idea of church leadership produce in you good or bad feelings/memories? How have your thoughts on this subject been shaped by your experiences?
5. Pastor Mike described elders as leaders who serve and deacons as servants who lead. Have you ever heard it explained this way? Why is understanding these definitions and making these distinctions important for us?
6. Why should you care about church leadership? Even if you are not an elder or deacon, how does a passage like 1 Tim. 3:1-13 still apply to you?

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

[Matthew 20:20-25](#)

Pastor Mike Matheson

SERMON
NOTES

THE LOCAL CHURCH:
LEADERSHIP

ANNUAL MEMBER MEETING: JANUARY 29TH @ 11AM

Members of Grace Church are invited to our Annual Member Meeting. All are welcome to attend however, only members can participate in the meeting, and you need to be present to vote.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL UPDATES

The Elder Council has carefully considered constitutional updates regarding Deacons, Elder Council makeup, and legal protections, which will be voted on by the congregation at the 2023 Annual Meeting. Hard copies of this are available at the Info Center. Scan the QR code to view online.



PRE-MEETING Q&A SESSION: TODAY @ 11AM

This will be your best opportunity to ask any questions you may have about the constitutional changes, so we encourage you to attend.

2022 ANNUAL REPORT

Copies of the 2022 Annual Report are available at the Info Center. The theme of this year's report is "Pressing On," focusing on Philippians 3:13-14 *Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.*

We are called as a church to press on to complete the work that God has called us to do and finish the race we have been given to run.

Ministry Directors have shared what it will look like to *press on* in their ministry in 2023. The report also includes detailed financial information. We encourage you to read carefully through the 2022 annual report so that you are well informed about all that is happening within the life of the church. We welcome your questions if you have any. Please don't wait until the meeting to ask it. Call the church office at 262-632-2111 so that we can connect you with the right person.

2023 ELDER CANDIDATES

Complete bios were sent out via email and available at the Info Center.

The 2023 Elder candidates are Craig Vaughn and Matthew Lautz.

Craig has been a member of Grace since 1995 and has previously served on the Elder Council.

Matthew has been on staff since 2020.

GRACE HAPPENINGS

GRIEFSHARE

Begins Saturday, January 28
Meets from 9am - 11am
GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. Join us as we look to the Lord for healing, care, and comfort. Learn more & register: griefshare.org/groups/161890



PRAYER GATHERING TONIGHT! // 5pm

Prayer is essential if we want to thrive as individuals and as a church. We will be spending our time together praising God and praying specifically for our annual member's meeting that's coming up next week. Join us for prayer and then stay for a meal together.

Meal details: Chili night!

Bring a pot of your favorite chili to share. *If your chili has specific toppings you'd like to go with it, please bring those as well.*

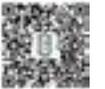
Or bring a dozen cookies/bars to share.

WOMEN'S GATHERING

February 4 // 9am - 11am

Our speaker, Mary Andrews, will continue our study in 1 John, specifically focusing on 1 John 3:11-4:6.

To help us plan well for your attendance, please scan the QR code to register or visit our website.



SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITY

July 15 – 22, 2023

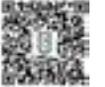
Where: Rancho El Camino LaPaz, Mexico

Purpose: Serve with Grace-supported missionary Erica Kienzle.

Rancho El Camino serves the vulnerable youth in La Paz, Mexico through horse ministry and youth camps.

Scan the QR code for more information or to apply for trip text, call, or email

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New phone number?

Moved?

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