

TO KNOW  
CHRIST  
AND TO MAKE  
CHRIST  
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## WELCOME TO GRACE CHURCH!

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### VISITING GRACE?

It's great to have you here today, and we'd love to connect with you! Visit [graceinracine.com](http://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.

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## TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

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### PRAISE

Welcome  
Call To Worship  
["God Is For Us"](#)  
["Only A Holy God"](#)

Pastor Mike Matheson  
[Psalm 122:1-4](#)

### RENEWAL

Prayer of Renewal  
["How Deep The Father's Love For Us"](#)

Craig Vaughn

### PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word  
Prayer of Illumination  
Preaching of the Word

[Philippians 3:8-15](#)

Pastor Mike Matheson

### RESPONSE

["This I Believe"](#)  
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.*

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## CARE MINISTRY

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### PRAYER FOR HEALING & RECOVERY

Please pray for healing and recovery for those hospitalized or recently discharged: Jessica Schultz, Rachel Menke, Mark Schaefer, Naomi Durbin

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### ANNUAL MEMBER MEETING: TODAY @ 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.

After service, stop by the table outside the sanctuary to sign-in for the meeting and receive a voting card. The voting card will be held up by members during the meeting to indicate their choice in the vote, and make it easier for the volunteers to get an accurate count. You can also pick up an agenda and a report if you need one. We have some light snacks and water if you'd like to grab something before the meeting.

The 2022 Annual Report and the 2023 Elder candidate bios are available to pick up outside the main office.

### 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.*

### 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.

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## ATTENDANCE & GIVING

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### LAST WEEK

Attendance: 549  
Giving: \$17,249

### 2023 GIVING

Year to Date: \$89,221  
+/- Budget: -\$5,739

## 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.

In this final week of our series on the local church, we look at the idea of membership. We highly value church membership here at Grace, but what about it makes it so important? In the sermon this week, Pastor Mike drew out the principles of church membership from Philippians 3 and showed us that our relationship and responsibility to each other is deeper and more profound than we probably thought.

### Discussion Questions

1. As we now conclude this current series, what stands out to you as an area of needed personal growth in relation to your participation in the church? What steps forward do you plan to take?
2. Do we view church membership the same way that we view other types of membership (Costco, country club, etc.)? If so, what problems does this pose in how we interact with the church?
3. Read Philippians 3:8-15. What is meant by the word 'share' in verse 10? How does a fuller understanding of this word give us a better picture of our relationship to one another?
4. Who are to be considered members? What makes it so important to draw distinctions between who can be members and who can't?
5. What benefit is it to us to be a member of the local body? What is it that we do for one another?
6. As we talk about pressing forward as a church into the new year, what is it that you hope we accomplish together? Do you feel locked in with Grace in doing your part to meet the goals that have been set forward during this series?

## SERMON NOTES

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

[Philippians 3:8-15](#)

Pastor Mike Matheson

THE LOCAL CHURCH:  
MEMBERSHIP

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## CLASSES

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We are excited to offer classes that will help you to grow in your pursuit to know Christ in an ever-growing, ever-increasing way. These classes are aimed to help you grow regardless of where you are in your walk with Christ. Below are the descriptions of the classes we're offering.

Register using the QR code or at [graceinracine.com/classes](http://graceinracine.com/classes).  
Paper registration forms also available at the Info Center.  
Childcare is available.



### Beginning February 19th at 11am

*"First Principles" (The Charles Simeon Trust) -- 8 Weeks*

*Teacher: Pastor Mike Matheson*

*Class Size: Limited to 25 Participants for Best Engagement*

*Cost: \$19/person (through Charles Simeon Trust)*

The Charles Simeon Trust is a workshop that our pastors and ministry leaders have been attending over the last few years in order to sharpen their understanding of the scriptures and effectively communicate what they teach. If you have a desire to mine the scriptures for deeper understanding and growth, this First Principles course is a great benefit to all growing Christians. It focuses on the most fundamental principles for studying and teaching the Bible.

*Class Title: "One-to-One Bible Reading" -- 4 Weeks*

*Teachers: Erin Fleming & Special Guest Teacher!*

You've been hearing about this One-to-One Bible Reading but what is it all about? This class is perfect for those who are new to Bible reading, for more seasoned Christians, and for everyone in between! Come and learn how easy it is to open the Bible with one other person and read God's word together!

*Class Title: "Financial Peace University" -- 8 Weeks*

*Teachers: Mike Zimmer & Matt Hagemann*

Are you stressed about money? Worried about "what ifs...?" Come and join Matt and Mike as they teach Dave Ramsey's course. Learn how to budget, save, and give!

### Classes Beginning March 19th (4 weeks)

*Class Title: "Tune-Up Your Prayer Life" -- 4 Weeks*

*Teachers: Matthew Lautz & Luke Greenwald*

Everyone wishes their prayer lives were better. We know it's important and that we should be doing it more often, but at the end of the day, we just don't seem to be getting anywhere. In this class, we'll help you identify some of the main obstacles that keep you from having a healthy prayer life. It's a tune-up for your prayer life to get your walk with Christ moving again!

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## GRACE HAPPENINGS

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### 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. Scan the QR code to register or visit our website.



### MEN'S BREAKFAST

February 11 // 8am-9:30am

All guys are invited to join us! Dean Blake will continue through the study in 1 John. Come for breakfast, fellowship, and God's word!

### 2022 GIVING STATEMENTS

2022 giving statements have been emailed. If you need assistance accessing or printing yours, please contact: Dion Gracyalny, Financial Secretary 262.639.6192

### TIME TO UPDATE YOUR INFO!

Changed your email address?

New phone number?

Moved?

Let us know! We're working on a directory update. Just scan the QR code to make your changes.



### BOARD GAME DAY

Saturday, Feb. 11 // 12pm - 6pm

Anyone is welcome to join us for one game or several as we get together to play games of all sorts - from beginner games to advanced game playing, party games to strategy games, and everything in between! This is an open house style event - come and go as you please!

### 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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