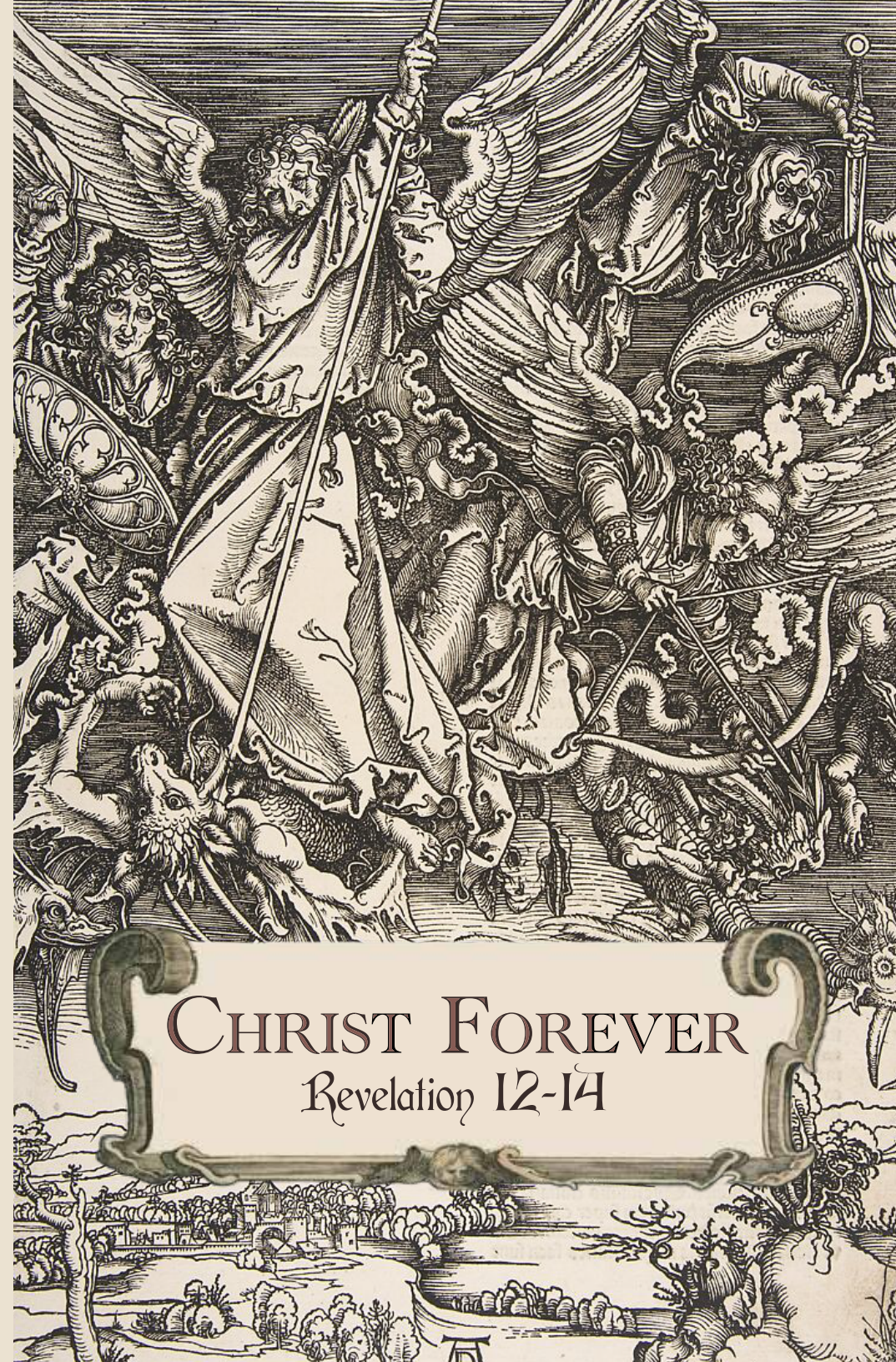


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and to
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CHRIST FOREVER
Revelation 12-14

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 the QR code on the next page 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 Rachel Menke, Children's Ministry Director
Call To Worship [Psalm 11](#)
["Praise To The Lord \(Joyful Joyful\)"](#)
["Holy Forever"](#)

RENEWAL

Safe Families Testimony Amy Wolfe & Jose Rico
Prayer for Safe Families Sheri Kobriger, Co-Director of Missions
["Cornerstone"](#)

PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word: [Revelation 14:6-20](#) Amos Beernink
Prayer of Illumination
Preaching of the Word Pastor Mike Matheson

RESPONSE

["It Is Well \(Bless The Lord\)"](#)
Benediction Pastor 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

PRAYER FOR HEALING & RECOVERY

Please pray for healing and recovery for those hospitalized or recently discharged: Lani Squires

*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

SERVE IN THE CARE MINISTRY!

Card Ministry

Did you receive any encouraging mail today? Come and make someone else's day by sending out cards of encouragement to those who are hurting in our congregation.

Meal Team Coordinator

Use your administrative skills and help schedule out meals to families during their time of need.

Meal Team

Serve love in a tangible way through food. Help families in need by taking (or sending) a meal to them.

ATTENDANCE & GIVING

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 539
Giving: \$18,150

2023 GIVING

Year to Date: \$466,722
+/- Budget: -\$61,424

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.

After a mountain-top vision from the text last week, John now gives a startlingly dark description of what awaits those who reject the living God and worship the beast. This week's passage contains probably the most explicit reference to the nature of God's wrath in all of the scriptures and so it is rightfully met with a sense of trembling. But ultimately, this is a word to encourage the saints to endure all the more.

Discussion Questions

1. Read 14:1-5 again. Review what last week's passage was about and discuss how it informs our understanding of this week's text.
2. The first angel proclaims an eternal gospel to all of those who dwell on the earth. Why is it called an "eternal gospel"? Why do you think John uses this particular phrase versus just saying "the gospel" like everywhere else in scripture?
3. The second angel speaks of the falling of "Babylon the great". How does biblical history inform our understanding of what is meant here? How do we see 'Babylon' at work today?
4. The third angel delivers the message of the eternal conscious torment that is set aside for those who worship the beast. What is your gut reaction to hearing this passage? Why must we hold tight to the truth of these words even though we may be tempted to ignore them or rationalize them away?
5. This whole passage is meant to encourage us to endure. How does it function that way? Does it encourage you to faithfulness?
6. What does this text tell us about Jesus? How might it affect the way that we talk about or share the gospel with others?

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

[Revelation 14:6-20](#)

Pastor Mike Matheson

SERMON
NOTES

AN ETERNAL GOSPEL

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: JUNE 26 - 30, 2023



Volunteer with VBS!

Craft Helpers, Games Volunteers, Tattoo Artists (yes, tattoo artists!), Greeters, Snack preparers, and more!

We are starting to recruit volunteers so if you are interested in serving and you are older than 18 years old you can fill out our online form on the website by scanning the QR code. For those teens who are wishing to serve, you can pick up an application from Pastor Chris Amundson or Rachel Menke.



SAFE FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN is a Grace Church local partnership that mobilizes the church to support families who are facing difficult circumstances and lacking a support network. Will you consider befriending a family and becoming a part of their support network or giving monthly to support the work? Scan the QR code for more information or visit safefamilieswi.org Or, visit the table by the missions map after service.

GRACE HAPPENINGS

PRAYER GATHERING

Sunday, April 23 // 5pm

Prayer is essential at Grace Church. Join us for prayer and then stay for a meal together.

This month's meal: Nachos/bowls! We'll supply the meat, cheese, and chips, you can bring:

A - G: Beans: Black beans, refried, pinto

H - L: Rice: Spanish or cilantro-lime

M - S: Dessert

T - Z: Salsa, Pico

...or just bring your favorite nacho topping!

GRACE SOFTBALL TEAM!

Looking for softball players, any talent level (12 inch ball)

When: Monday nights starting in May at Cliffside Park

Contact: Ryan Traxinger
262-880-8723 call or text

SENIOR ADULT BIBLE BRUNCH

Thursday, April 13 // 10:30am

All those age 55+ are invited for brunch and Bible study.

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

Communion Team

We're looking for people to join the communion team and help with set-up and clean-up on a monthly rotation. Scan the QR code and sign-up under the Worship Arts heading on the Serve page.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, May 13 // 8am

All guys are invited to join us for our monthly Men's Breakfast. Paul Durbin will continue us through the book of 1 John. Come for breakfast, fellowship, and God's word!

No RSVP needed.

THE BOOKSTALL

Stop by the Grace Church Bookstall to see a selection of titles that the Grace Church Staff recommends should be on every Christian's reading list!

LOG-ON TO CHURCH CENTER

(just scan the QR code to get the app)
Access through the app or website to:

- Register for events or sign-up for activities
- Connect with your Life Group
- Give
- ...and more!

Questions? Call or email Laura in the office: 262-632-2111

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