To Know Christ and to Make Christ Known



Revelation 15-20

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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 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 Call To Worship "<u>God Is For Us"</u> "Jesus Is Better" Pastor Matthew Lautz <u>2 Chronicles 7:1-3</u>

RENEWAL Missions Update & Prayer "The Lord Is My Salvation"

PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word Prayer of Illumination Preaching of the Word

RESPONSE

<u>"Only A Holy God"</u> Benediction Pastor Mike Matheson

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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: Debbie Kristopeit

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 <u>prayer@graceinracine.com</u>.

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 <u>celebraterecovery@graceinracine.com</u>

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.



2023 GIVING Year to Date: \$518,124 +/- Budget: -\$48,812

LAST WEEK Attendance: 566 Giving: \$51,401

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 chapter 15, John sees another sign. It is a moment of final preparation before the final judgment comes down. And the reaction that John sees in this moment is one of praise and worship to the Lamb. This new mini-series within our walk through Revelation marks out the final death throes and destruction of the world system as we know it. It is dark, but it will bring us to the doorstep of the glorious new heavens and new earth.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Last week's passage contains one of the most explicit references in the Bible concerning eternal condemnation. Why is it so important that we give as much time, thought, and engagement with these types of passages as we do with others?
- 2. Verse 1 introduces to us seven more angels who bring the seven last plagues. In what way is this actually a vision of hope for God's people?
- 3. Next we see people standing next to a sea of glass mixed with fire. What is this? Where have we seen this elsewhere?
- 4. The saints sing the song of Moses and of the Lamb. Read Exodus 15:1-18. What does this passage have to do with what John is seeing in Revelation 15?
- 5. The saints are praising God for the pouring out of his wrath. Why is this often so hard for us to identify with? What might this difficulty say about the way we think about sin, God's holiness, and justice?
- 6. Though this text provides imagery of angels, bowls full of God's wrath, and smoke, how would it point a person to the gospel. How does it put the goodness of God on display?

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

<u>Revelation 15</u> Pastor Mike Matheson HERE WE GO AGAIN

SERMON

NOTES

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 26 - 30, 2023 \Rightarrow AM - N \diamond N



JOIN THE ADVENTURE!

Kids who have just completed a year of Kdg-5th grade are welcome to join us on a great adventure this summer as we seek out the "Treasure Beyond Measure". Each day we will use songs, crafts, snacks, games, interactive lessons, and more to explore ancient parables from the Bible as we discover that it's not an "X" but a cross that marks the way to the greatest treasure of all time: being a friend of Jesus!

Scan the QR code to register!

VOLUNTEER WITH VBS

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

If you are older than 18 years old, 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.

GRACE HAPPENINGS

SAFE FAMILIES Q&A SESSION

Today // 11am // Room A18 Last Sunday we celebrated Safe Families! Learn about the different volunteer roles and figure out what is the best fit for you and your family. You can also e-mail Amy Wolfe with any questions at amywolfe@safefamilieswi.org

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, May 13 // 8am All guys are invited to join us for our last Men's Breakfast of the season. Paul Durbin will wrap up our study of 1 John. Come for breakfast, fellowship, and

God's word! No RSVP needed.

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 lhagemann@graceinracine.com

OUR NEW GUIDE BOOK & Directory

Watch your mailbox for our new Guide Book & Directory that will be arriving soon. The advertisers featured helped provide this service at no cost to our congregation. We encourage you to think of them in the future as your needs arise.

If you find your mailing address or phone incorrect, please log into Church Center and correct this. Due to an error some listings may have the incorrect email address.

If you do not receive a directory by May 15, need help logging into Church Center, need someone's correct email address or have other questions pertaining to the directory, please contact Laura Hagemann at 262-632-2111.

MISSIONS PRAYER HOUR

May 1 // 7pm // Room A29

All are welcome to come pray for our global field workers and the nations where they serve.

