

TO KNOW CHRIST  
AND TO  
MAKE CHRIST KNOWN



HOLY WEEK

An Ancient Road to an Eternal City



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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](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.

## TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

### PRAISE

Welcome  
Call To Worship  
["This is Amazing Grace"](#)  
["Jerusalem"](#)

Andy Feliksiak, Executive Director  
[Revelation 1:4-6](#)

### RENEWAL

Prayer of Renewal  
["I Will Wait For You \(Psalm 130\)"](#)  
"He Is Coming"

Pastor Matthew Lautz  
Kids Worship Team

### PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word  
Prayer of Illumination  
Preaching of the Word

[Zechariah 9:9-12](#)  
Pastor Mike Matheson

### RESPONSE

Communion  
["We Will Feast In the House of Zion"](#)  
Benediction

Pastor Chris Amundson  
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.*

## PRAYER FOR HEALING & RECOVERY

Please pray for healing and recovery for those hospitalized or recently discharged: John Fredrickson, Dave Hamell

## HOLY WEEK

Holy Week commemorates the final days of Jesus' earthly ministry and helps prepare our hearts to celebrate Jesus' triumph over sin & death on Resurrection Sunday.

Join us this upcoming week for services and activities.

Use the Holy Week devotional booklet that we mailed out in your personal and family devotions to respond and reflect throughout the week. Inside you will find book recommendations, a playlist of songs curated for contemplating the cross and celebrating the resurrection. Daily devotions and corresponding questions will aid your reflection on His greatest sacrifice. Additional copies are available at the Information Center.

**A Sense of Holy Week:** April 5, 5-9pm // Open House Style Activity

**Maundy Thursday:** April 6, 6:30pm // Communion Service (No Childcare)

**Good Friday:** April 7, 6:30pm // Worship Service (No Childcare)

**Resurrection Sunday:** April 9, 9:30am // Worship Service

## GRACE HAPPENINGS

### MISSION PRAYER HOUR

April 3 // 7pm

Come join us as we pray for our field workers, the people that they serve and our local partnerships. 1st & 3rd Mondays of every month in the Prayer Furnace. Email [globalteam@graceinracine.com](mailto:globalteam@graceinracine.com) for more info.



### EASTER FLOWERS

April 9 //

Thank you to everyone that purchased flowers for Resurrection Sunday. We will have a beautiful display of flowers on Resurrection Sunday. We understand that some may be allergic to them. Please take any necessary precautions so that you can join us for worship on Resurrection Sunday.

## ATTENDANCE & GIVING

### LAST WEEK

Attendance: 554  
Giving: \$60,933

### 2023 GIVING

Year to Date: \$400,740  
+/- Budget: -\$11,036

# 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.

## *An Ancient Road to an Eternal City (Holy Week 2023)*

*“Palm Sunday” | Zechariah 9:9-12*

A king is coming for his people and he will set up a city and kingdom unlike any before. This was true in the days of Zechariah and it still remains true for us today. We just have more information now. Palm Sunday is the recognition that Jesus has always been the king that his people have been waiting for. He has come to us already, but will come again to finish the job completely.

### Discussion Questions

1. Why does Palm Sunday matter? Why are we tempted to skip over this mentally and immediately focus in on the other events of Holy Week?
2. How is the king that Zechariah presents to us unlike any other king? How is this description all true of Jesus?
3. In verses 10-12, it tells us what his kingdom will be like. How is his kingdom different from all others? What is the result of his reign?
4. How does our perspective help us to understand this passage more clearly than someone in Zechariah's day? What hope are we still waiting for to be fulfilled in this prophecy?
5. When we think about the world around us and how we would like to see it changed, what are some of the solutions we propose that leave us still unsatisfied? Why do we so often forget about our coming king?
6. Do you think that people in your life see you as a person who rejoices in the future or do they see something different?

### Prayer

Lord, you have always been faithful to your own. And in your beloved Son, you have given to us a king to rule and reign in ways that all kings in history have fallen so short of. Focus our eyes on him and fill our hearts with the joy that comes from knowing the blessings of being a citizen of his kingdom. To Jesus be all glory and power and majesty. Come to us soon! Amen.

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**SUNDAY, APRIL 2**

Zechariah 9:9-12

Pastor Mike Matheson

SERMON  
**NOTES**

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**PALM SUNDAY**