TO KNOW CHRIST AND TO MAKE CHRIST KNOWN



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WORDSTO HE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

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.

Need a Bible? Stop by the Welcome Table outside the sanctuary, we'd love to get one to you and also 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

PRE-SERVICE

"Christ Is Enough" Welcome

Pastor Matthew Lautz

Isaiah 61:10-11

PRAISE

Call To Worship "Doxology (Amen)" "Build My Life"

RENEWAL

Prayer of Renewal Chris Amundson, Discipleship Ministry Pastor "Come Thou Fount (I Will Sing)"

PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word Prayer of Illumination Preaching of the Word Matthew 5:3-10

Pastor Mike Matheson

RESPONSE

Communion "His Mercy Is More"

Benediction

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: Barb Toeppe

Our heartfelt love, sympathy, and prayers to Howard & Carol Brumback on the passing of Howard's mother, Ruth Brumback.

ANNUAL MEMBER MEETING: SUNDAY, JAN. 28 @ 11AM

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

We encourage you to read carefully through the 2023 annual report. If you have a question, don't wait until the meeting to ask it! Please reach out to the appropriate ministry director or call the church office at 262-632-2111.

2023 ANNUAL REPORT

Copies of the 2023 Annual Report are available at the Info Center. The theme of this year's report is "Generations of Grace," sharing stories of many of the volunteers and staff members who grew up in our church, and were invested in by many of our long-time members, are presently serving the next Grace generations.

2024 ELDER CANDIDATE

Complete bio is available with the Annual Report.

The 2024 Elder candidate is Isaac Miller. Isaac has previously served at Grace as the Children's Ministry Pastor, under Jerry Worsham. Isacc returned to Grace staff in 2023 as the Care Ministry Director.

Read more about Isaac and his family when you pick up an Annual Report.



2024 GIVING Year to Date: \$80.690 +/- Budget: \$19,104

LAST WEEK Attendance: 648 Giving: \$37,936

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.

Now that we have taken a broad view of the entire Sermon on the Mount, we dig in to look at it in pieces. And when Jesus opens his mouth to teach, he begins with a series of statements known as the Beatitudes. It is in the Beatitudes where we start to get a good picture of what his kingdom is all about. It is certainly nothing that we would expect; but through his teaching here, the true heart of God is revealed.

Discussion Questions

- 1. In last week's overview of the entire Sermon on the Mount, did anything surprise you about it that you didn't know before? What preconceived ideas about it have you had going into this sermon?
- 2. Each of the Beatitudes begins with the word *blessed*. What does it mean to be blessed in the way Jesus is using it?
- 3. Our Lord tells us that the *poor in spirit* are blessed. Who are the poor in spirit? What does it look like to be poor in spirit in our place and time in history?
- 4. Why does Jesus say that *theirs is the kingdom of heaven* vs. *theirs will be the kingdom of heaven*? What difference does it make?
- 5. How does this first Beatitude set us up for our understanding of the rest of them? What does it tell us of the nature of his kingdom?
- 6. Why is this such good news for those who know that they are far from God? How can we utilize this teaching in our evangelism to others?

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

Matthew 5:3 Pastor Mike Matheson

> Memorize The Beatitudes together. This week: Matthew 5:3 Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

SERMON **NOTES** THE BE-ALL BEATITUDE

About the series art: The mosaic of Sermon on the Mount in church kostel Svatého Václava by artwork of S. G. Rudl in workroom of Albert Neuhauser, 1928.

MISSIONS

MISSIONARY VISIT TODAY

Meet with Brenda Rebro 11am-12pm // Room B74 Join in on giving a huge Grace "welcome back" to Brenda and hear an inspiring update on the Kingdom growth in S. Africa! Craig & Brenda are Grace sent field workers serving in White River, South Africa. They are directors



of Sinani, a South African non-profit with a vision to mobilize the church to care for the spiritual and physical needs of orphans and vulnerable children and widows. They do this through 10 community life centers where children are known, fed, fathered & mothered. They are taught the word of God, hear the gospel message, and when they come to faith are discipled. They have planted churches in 3 of these communities and desire for all communities to have a viable church led by local believers.

Contact globalteam@graceinracine.com for more info.

INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY CENTER INFORMATIONAL SESSION

Tuesday, January 23rd // 6:30pm

Come learn about volunteering with our newest local partner! This is for anyone interested in volunteering with immigrants and refugees on Milwaukee's south side. (ESL, Citizenship, middle and high school evening tutoring, classroom childcare)

International Community Center 4208 S Howell Avenue, Milwaukee WI 53207 (30 mins. from Grace Church) For more information contact: Joe Kobriger – globalteam@graceinracine.com (262) 939-5152

MISSIONARY CARE TEAM MEETING

Saturday, January 27th // 9am // Room A30

Learn how you can use your gifts of encouragement, communication, prayer, hospitality and more to partner with and care for our Grace supported missionaries.

For more information contact duecindi@gmail.com.

GRACE HAPPENINGS

WOMEN'S GATHERING

Sat., February 3 // **9am - 11am** Speaker: Erin Fleming Topic: "Do You Feel Invisible?"

Extend an invitation to ladies in your circle of life to come and connect with other ladies from Grace. We will lift our hearts in songs of worship, prayer, and discussion around God's Word. Scan the QR code to register.

2024 MEN'S RETREAT

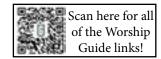
Save the Date! April 19–20, 2024 Grand Geneva Resort & Spa Registration opens February 4th.

PARENTING WORKSHOP

Topic: Talking With Your Kids About Sex Sat., February 10 // 9am - 11am

The aim of this seminar is to help you think about these conversations and how you can have them in a way that demonstrates grace and hope with your kids and points them to our compassionate Savior. This workshop is for parents of young children, elementary kids, teens, and college students.

Childcare is available at a limited capacity and will be available on a first registered basis. Scan the QR learn more and register.



<u>CLASSES</u>

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.

Scan the QR code for complete class descriptions and to register. Childcare is available.

Classes begin Sunday, February 4 and meet after service.

Topic: Family Discipleship: What is the Church? Teachers: Chris Amundson and Rachel Menke *The class is designed for families to attend together.*

Topic: Seeing Jesus in All the Scriptures // Teacher: Ryan Boyer

Topic: We Behold His Glory: Science and Faith // Teacher: Dave Jansson