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THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

TO KNOW CHRIST
AND TO
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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.

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

["The Lord's Prayer \(It's Yours\)"](#) - Instrumental

Welcome

Pastor Chris Amundson

PRAISE

Call To Worship

[Psalm 34:8-10](#)

["The Lord's Prayer \(It's Yours\)"](#)

["Build My Life"](#)

RENEWAL

Prayer of Renewal

Patrick Tetzlaff, Elder

["Lord Have Mercy \(For What We Have Done\)"](#)

PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word

Matthew 5:13-16

Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word

Pastor Mike Matheson

RESPONSE

Silent Reflection

Communion

Craig Vaughn, Elder

["King Of Kings"](#)

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: Roger Blair

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

FAMILY MINISTRY

Children are welcome in our worship service and we highly encourage their participation throughout the entire service. However, we do offer the following for kids birth - 4th grade:

NURSERY & PRESCHOOL

Sunday school is available during the entirety of the worship service for children aged birth – Kindergarten. Children ages 2 - Kindergarten will also have an age-appropriate Bible lesson each week.

WORSHIPERS IN TRAINING (WIT)

Children in 1st-4th grades are welcome to participate in "Worshippers in Training" which meets during the second half of our worship service (children are dismissed after the scripture reading).

ATTENDANCE & GIVING

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 801
Giving: \$27,526

2024 GIVING

Year to Date: \$351,471
+/- Budget: \$3,461

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.

We have now come to the end of this section called the Beatitudes, and Jesus concludes it by comparing his people to salt and light. We get a chance here to see the impact that living rightly has for those who witness it. If last week's passage (Matthew 5:10-12) was about the world's effect on God's people, this is about the effect of God's people on the world.

Discussion Questions

1. Review from last week: How is it *blessed* to be persecuted for righteousness sake? How is it possible to rejoice and be glad in suffering for Christ?
2. Jesus calls his people the *salt of the earth*. Why does he use this metaphor? What does it say about a Christian's effect on the world?
3. Why does Jesus talk about salt losing its saltiness? What makes it an odd statement?
4. Jesus also uses the word-picture of *light* to describe his people. In what way are salt and light similar?
5. Jesus commands us to let our light shine before men. What does that look like when it's lived out? Why are we tempted to hide the light?
6. How often do you consider the good works of your life being a witness to Christ and his gospel? How can we live rightly without looking to draw attention to ourselves?

SERMON NOTES

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

Matthew 5:13-16

Pastor Mike Matheson

SALT & LIGHT

Holy Week Services & Activities

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.

March 24: Palm Sunday
9:30am Worship Service

March 27: Sense of Holy Week
5pm - 9pm Open House Style
This kid-friendly, interactive experience takes participants of all ages through stations focused on the theme of exploring the concept of "Light and Darkness."
All ages welcome!

March 28: Maundy Thursday
6:30pm Communion Service,
followed by a meal (*no childcare*)

March 29: Good Friday
6:30pm Service (*no childcare*)

March 31: Resurrection Sunday
9:30am Worship Service
(*childcare for ages 3 and under*)

MAUNDY THURSDAY MEAL

Thursday, March 28th // 6:30pm
Following our communion service on Maundy Thursday, we'll enjoy a meal together. Bring a crock-pot of soup or a dessert to share. Scan the QR code to let us know what you'll be bringing.

SHOW US YOUR ART!

We'd love to see what you've been drawing & creating as you reflect upon and study the Psalms. Drop off your art to Rachel at the Info Desk on Sundays or into the main office during the week. We're looking forward to displaying a gallery of Grace art during Holy Week!



YOUTH FOR CHRIST

CAMPUS LIFE ATHLETICS

Come see and hear our annual report of the amazing things God is doing in the lives of young people. Two nights to choose from: April 25, or April 26th 6-8pm (dinner included). Scan the QR code for more info or email Rob Blascoe at rblascoe@wi.rr.com.

GRACE HAPPENINGS

YOUNG ADULT WORSHIP NIGHT

Saturday, March 23 // 6pm

Anyone aged 19-29 is invited to join us for an evening of worship! We'll begin in the commons at 6pm with food and hangout time then gather together at the front of the sanctuary, at the foot of the cross, and behold Christ in Spirit and Truth!

BEHOLD & BELIEVE:

A Women's Bible Study on the "I Am" Statements of Jesus.

This 8-week study is offered two days per week - Monday evenings and Friday mornings beginning the week of April 8th! The same chapter will be covered each Monday and Friday. Scan the QR code to learn more and register.

2024 MEN'S RETREAT

April 19-20, 2024

Grand Geneva Resort & Spa

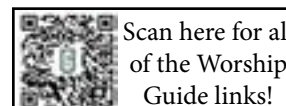
Men of all ages are invited to gather in Lake Geneva and discuss what it looks like to depend on the Lord and walk confidently in our God given mission as his sons.

Last day to register is March 19!

Stop by the table or scan the QR code to register.

AT THE BOOKSTALL

Give the gift of books! Stop by the bookstall to see the selection of books we've curated for children.



SCAM EMAILS

Unfortunately, yet another scam email has started circulating. Some of you have recently received an email that appears to be from Pastor Mike, including his photo from our website, where he is asking to meet with you, or for you to send him gift cards or money. We want to take this time to assure you that neither Pastor Mike, nor any member of our staff, will ever send an email to you asking for money or gift cards.

When you receive an email of this nature, please check who sent the email. If it did not originate from a graceinracine.com email, it is not from a staff member at Grace Church. Do not reply to the message. If you receive an email of this nature, and you aren't sure if you should trust it, please call the church office (262-632-2111) and we'll help you determine if the email is legitimate or not.

MISSION PRAYER HOUR

March 18, 7-8pm, Room A29

The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. James 5:16
Join us in powerful and effective prayer as we seek to Make Christ Known among the nations. We will be praying for the Roetmans working in France, the Mainlands who serve with Torchbearers International, and Luke and Kristin Greenwald who are currently in Pennsylvania with one of our sending agencies discerning their call to missions.