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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! Stop by the Welcome Table outside the sanctuary where you can receive a Bible if you need one, ask any questions about Grace, and take home a gift. Visit graceinracine.com or scan the QR code on the next page to let us know you visited.

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 Gospel Code"](#)

Welcome

Pastor Matthew Lutz

PRAISE

Call To Worship

John 3:16-21

["God So Loved"](#)

VBS Debrief

Rachel Menke, Children's Ministry Director

VBS Kids Sing: ["My God" by Go Fish](#)

Prayer of Praise

RENEWAL

Mission Moment: J Family

Joe & Sheri Kobriger

["How Great Thou Art"](#)

PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word

1 Kings 18:20-40

Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word

Pastor Mike Matheson

RESPONSE

Silent Reflection

["Only A Holy God"](#)

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: Steve Murach, Caren Larsen, Jean Gandrud, Roger Blair

CARE RESOURCES

Stop by the Care Group wall for a variety of resources on topics such as:

- When Bad Things Happen
- Counseling Children Through Grief
- Broken Relationships
- Anxiety and other topics

We are here to walk alongside you in all seasons of life. Scan the QR code to share your care needs with us or look for Pastor Isaac Miller by the Care Group wall.

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)

Offered during the school year for children in 1st - 4th grades.

REMINDER: WIT does NOT meet from Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day weekend. Parents of 1st-4th graders please be advised that there will be no WIT for the summer. WIT will resume on Sept 8, 2024.

Clipboards with follow-along sheets are available at the Info Center.

ATTENDANCE & GIVING

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 735

Giving: \$23,297

2024 GIVING

Year to Date: \$873,850

+/- Budget: \$-8,292

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 reflecting on a great week of VBS, we took a slight detour this Sunday from the Sermon on the Mount to look at the story of Elijah and the prophets of Baal from 1 Kings 18. It serves as a reminder that the Lord we worship really is the One True God.

Discussion Questions

1. This story begins with Elijah challenging the people of Israel to make a choice between the Lord and Baal. Why was Baal worship so enticing for the people of Israel at the time?
2. Who were the original recipients of 1 Kings? How does this help to bring some understanding as to why this story is important?
3. In what modern ways do we mimic the Isarelites in “limping between two different opinions” (vs. 21)? In other words, what does it look like when we engage with idols?
4. From the extreme ways that the false prophets plead to Baal, to God’s response after Elijah’s simple prayer, every detail of this contest is dramatic. Why would God do it this way instead of just wiping out the false prophets immediately? What is the significance of the way that God had this play out?
5. At the end, Elijah commands the people to seize the prophets of Baal and slaughter them. How are we, as God’s people now, to think about this part of the story?
6. How does this story relate to the gospel message? What does it tell us about God, his grace, and his redemptive purposes?

SERMON NOTES

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

[1 Kings 18:20-40](#)

Pastor Mike Matheson

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Next Week: [Matthew 6:12](#)

MISSIONS

TODAY!

Global Partner "Snack 'n Chat" Gathering with the "J" Family - serving in Central Asia

Room B74-77 after service

(11:00-12:00)

Give a warm Grace "welcome" and meet Grace supported field workers D & K who are also our VBS global project recipients! Hear updates on their close relationships with new believers, outreach to non-believers through medical services, and in-home Bible studies in a part of the world that has a .09% evangelical Christian population. Light snacks that are a taste of their culture/country will be served will be served. Email globalteam@graceinracine.com for more info.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Praise God for an amazing week of Vacation Bible School! Over 200 kids came through our doors and were exposed to the Gospel message. Throughout the week they learned what it means to be *In His Majesty's Service* and how to fight against sin. We also were blessed to be joined by the J Family who serve "on mission" in Central Asia. The kids in attendance raised money for the J Family and a special project that they have there to make Christ known. A huge THANK YOU to all of you who contributed to this effort through your prayers, preparations, volunteering, donations, and time investments.

We truly couldn't have done it without you!

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GRACE HAPPENINGS

THANK YOU

A big thank you to all who planned and attended my retirement party. I appreciate so much the kind words and cards. It was hard to retire after 18 wonderful years but I have great memories and look forward to serving in the future.

- Don Amundson

MISSIONS PRAYER HOUR

July 1st // 7pm // Room A29

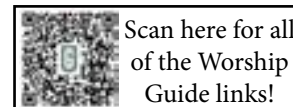
"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16.

Join us this week as we pray for the Rebros in South Africa, the Martins in Peru and the "W" family in North Africa. All are welcome to join us!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY BOOK CLUB

Beginning Mid-July (15th & 19th)

Meets Monday evenings or Friday mornings. Join us as we read through and discuss *Let Me Be a Woman - Notes to my Daughter on the Meaning of Womanhood* by Elisabeth Elliot. Scan the QR code for more info.



Scan here for all of the Worship Guide links!

PASTOR MIKE'S SABBATICAL

Pastor Mike will be taking his sabbatical starting this week. He will be back in early September. Please be respectful of his time off. If you need pastoral care, please contact the office and we will connect you with a member of our pastoral staff.

STUDENT MINISTRIES SUMMER

Six Flags Trip

August 9, 2024

This is a day trip to Six Flags Great America for Junior and Senior high to spend time together and enjoy the last bit of summer! Scan the QR code to register.

2025 LENTEN DEVOTIONAL

Looking for artists

We're getting started on our 2025 Lenten Devotional, and are looking to feature the artwork of our members. In the 2024 devotional we used artwork by member, Suzanne Schackelman. For 2025, we want to incorporate *more artwork* from *more people* in our church. We know there are a lot of artists among us, but we just don't know who you are because there aren't a lot of opportunities to showcase your work. Well here's your chance. Please note, because this is for our Lenten Devotional project, it is limited to those who are members of Grace Church.

Scan the QR code to get started.

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