



ESTABLISHED

A Study in Colossians

Today's Worship Service

PRAISE

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness. (Psalm 29:2)

Call To Worship

“Everlasting God”

Welcome & Announcements

Ryan Boyer, Director of Discipleship & Mission

Life Group Sunday

Psalm 90:1-2

Brown, Riley

Ryan Boyer

RENEWAL

As far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. (Psalm 103:12)

Celebration of Baptisms

“Redeemer”

“All I Have Is Christ”

Offering

Poore, Watkins

Kauflin

PROCLAMATION

Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. (Psalm 25:4)

Reading of the Word

Colossians 1:9-14

Reader: This is God's Word for us today.

All: Thanks be to God.

Preaching of the Word

Pastor Mike Matheson

RESPONSE

Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. (Psalm 63:3)

“O Church Arise”

Benediction

Tomlin, Getty, Townend

Pastor Mike Matheson

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.

Following Paul's greeting and thanksgiving comes his prayer for the Colossian church; this prayer is where our focus will be in this week's passage.

Discussion Questions

1. In what ways does your prayer life reveal your priorities? What would be the top two or three priorities as revealed by your prayers?
2. What does Paul pray ask God to do in the lives of the Colossians? How does the beginning of his prayer summarize his request to God on their behalf?
3. Why does Paul pray in this way for the Colossians? What outcome does he hope to see take place in their lives? How might we use this prayer to encourage and strengthen believers in our own lives?
4. What are the specific ways Paul spells out walking in a manner worthy of the Lord? How can recognize these as they show up in our own lives? How might these serve as a barometer of our spiritual health and growth?
5. How are these signs of spiritual growth tethered to the gospel? What aspect of Christ's ministry to us is highlighted in this passage?
6. What are specific steps you can take to apply this passage in your life? What are ways you can use this prayer to minister to someone in your life? How might praying this prayer for our church positively impact Grace Church?

Next Week's Sermon Preparation

These questions are for personal use during the week to help you prepare for next week's passage, [Colossians 1:15-23](#).

Context

1. What can you learn about the person or situation to which the letter is written?
2. What clues are there about the author and his circumstances?
3. What was the main point of the passage immediately before this one? Are there logical or thematic connections to the passage you are reading?

Observation

1. Are there any major sub-sections or breaks in the text? Are there key connecting words (for, therefore, but, because) that indicate the logical flow of the passage?
2. What is the main point or points? What supporting points does the author make?
3. What surprises are there in the flow of the argument?

Meaning

1. How does this text relate to other parts of the book?
2. How does this passage relate to Jesus?
3. What does this teach you about God?
4. How could you sum up the meaning of this passage in your own words?

Application

1. How does this passage challenge (or confirm) your understanding?
2. Is there some attitude you need to change?
3. How does this passage call on you to change the way you live?

Adapted from: *One to One Bible Reading, A Simple Guide for Every Christian*
by David Helm (Available at the Grace Book Cart)

Life Groups

Get connected with others in the Grace community! Life Groups gather in homes around Racine for fellowship, discussion around God's Word, and prayer. To join a group, simply contact the leader of the group you are interested in.

Fridays

BLAKE, Dean | deanblake747@gmail.com
Couples | Southside | Sunday Rewind
WOLFE, Nick & Betsy | nickbetsywolfe@gmail.com
Mixed | Rotates Homes | Sunday Rewind

Saturdays

GULLBERG, Bob | rgullberg@wi.rr.com
Mixed | Rotate Homes | Varied Topics & Prayer
ZIMMER, Mike & Kristin | mzimmer@sttxna.com
Mixed | Northside | Book of the Bible

Sundays

BLAIR, Roger & Shirley | rsblair4@gmail.com
Mixed | Rotate Homes | Sunday Rewind
KLEPP, Clint & Christy | clintklepp@gmail.com
Mixed | Southside | Sunday Rewind
LINS, Claudio & Katie | claudio.lins@hotmail.com
Mixed | Rotate Homes | Sunday Rewind
TETZLAFF, Patrick & FLEMING, Erin | Mixed
ptetzlaf@gmail.com | Northside | Sunday Rewind

Mondays

AMUNDSON, Chris & Dawn | Mixed | Rewind
camundson@graceinracine.com | West Racine
POORE, Josh & Lydia | jpoore@graceinracine.com
Mixed | Rotate Homes
SALADAR, Rafael & Rose | rts2rs@yahoo.com
Mixed Group | Northside | Book of Bible

Tuesdays

AMUNDSON, Don | Men's Group | Southside
damundson@graceinracine.com
BLACKBURN, Tim | tblackburn@graceinracine.com
Mixed | Southside | Parables of Jesus
HAGEMANN, Matthew |
mdhagemann@gmail.com
Mixed | Southside | Sunday Rewind
JOSSART, Rob & Nicole | rjossart@mpcmech.com
Mixed | West of 194 | Sunday Rewind
MATHESON, Mike | michael.matheson@gmail.com
Mixed | Southside | Sunday Rewind
PFLEDERER, Jan & Linda | jwpfled@hotmail.com
Mixed | Northside | Sunday Rewind
TOEPPE, Jeff | jtoeppe@hotmail.com
Mixed | Northside | Spiritual Gifts Study

Wednesdays

HEAPES, Ruth | heapes@sbcglobal.net
Women's | Mornings | Through the Bible
HUSCH, Craig | c.husch@sbcglobal.net
Mixed | West of 194 | Book of Bible
OMDAHL, Maxine | maxomdahl@att.net
Women's | Mornings | Through the Bible
TENNYCK, John & Carol | Jrtennyck@gmail.com
Mixed | Mount Pleasant | Holy Spirit Study

Thursdays

MURRAY, Jim & Jean | didaskolos55@gmail.com
Mixed | Northside | Book of the Bible

Stop by the tables in the commons to meet Life Group leaders and learn more about how you can get plugged into a group.

Fall 2019 Classes

Following is the listing of classes offered for our Fall 2019 semester, which begins September 29, 2019. Childcare for all ages will be offered for classes that meet on Sundays at 11:15 AM.

8:15 AM Classes

Fighting Futility: A Study of Ecclesiastes

Teacher: Matt Hagemann

Has your life ever felt meaningless? Have you struggled to find purpose in day-to-day life? Join us Sunday mornings as we explore what Scripture has to say about these things in this interactive study through Ecclesiastes.

Knowing God Better

Teacher: Bob Gullberg

Do you know what God is like? Do you want to know God better and more personally? This class will equip you to do that as you explore God's attributes and learn how knowing God through his Word can impact your life.

11:15 am Classes

Reading the Bible Better

Teacher: Ryan Boyer

As followers of Christ, we would all agree that reading and understanding God's Word is essential for spiritual health. Many would also agree that this can also be a real struggle! This class will provide tools while working through 2 Peter and Ruth. Whether you are a beginner or an expert, this class will help you make progress. The goal is to help you to get more out of your Bible reading so that you'll want to spend more time in Scripture.

The Women of Genesis (Women's Class)

Teacher: Michelle Jenks

Our faith history is rich with women, named and unnamed, who have much to tell us as we study God's word together. See the book of Genesis through the eyes of the women who experienced it. From Eve to Potiphar's wife, we'll dig into their lives and learn what their stories tell us about God's character and grace.

Christian Living in 2019

Teachers: Rod Pflederer and Patrick Tetzlaff

As Christians, we are bombarded in our culture to conform to the ideas, the morality, and the ever-changing worldview that society tells us we should. In this class, we will look at topics such as abortion, homosexuality, divorce, politics, gender identity, social media culture, male and female roles, pornography, money and racism and consider what God's Word has to say on each topic.

Discovering Global Mission

Teacher: Joe Kobriger

An introductory class to global missions with the goal of raising awareness to the task of missions, participation in supporting missions, and even mobilizing people towards global missions. Includes a video each week and book discussion. The class will be four weeks long.

To Register For A Class:

Visit graceinracine.com and sign-up online - or -
Stop by the Information Center for a brochure & registration form!



October 18 - 20, 2019

Osthoff Resort, Elkhart Lake

There are just two weeks left to register for the women's retreat! In order to be registered we need your completed registration form AND your payment on or before Sunday, September 22nd. You can register at the table during the next two Sundays or come in during the week to the office! You don't want to miss out on this great weekend!



Prayer gatherings are a time where we come together as a church body. We begin the evening with a meal together in the commons, and then move to the sanctuary for a time of prayer.

Meal: We're having a taco bar and all you need to bring is yourself & your family, we'll take care of the food!

We will have a donation jar if you'd like to contribute money to the meal.

Childcare available for nursery - grade 2, register via the link on Realm.

Visiting Grace?

If you're visiting for the first time (or two), please fill out a connection card in the seatback in front of you and stop by the Welcome Room after service - we'd love to connect with you. We're glad you're here!

Life Group Sunday: TODAY!

Following Service

Meet Life Group leaders, get connected in a Life Group, learn how to become a Life Group leader.

Still thinking about joining a Care Group?

It's not too late, both Grief Share and Divorce Care registrations are still open. You can also pop in when you're able; please join us! Don't keep putting off steps of healing that you need to take - make a step to care for your own soul so that Christ can shine more brightly in your life! GriefShare & DivorceCare both meet every Saturday from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Life Group Leader Training

Sunday, September 22, 11:30 - 1pm
All Life Group Leaders are warmly invited to come to training on Sunday, September 22 upstairs in the Loft. Lunch will be provided.

Men's Gathering

Saturday, September 21, 8:00 am

Men's Gatherings are a time for men to connect, be taught from God's word, and spur one another on towards maturity. All men welcome!

Board Game Group 9/21, 12pm - 6pm

Meet people and have fun! The Grace Church Game Group invites you to fun & fellowship with board games! Put down your smartphones and pop in for a game or two or stay all day! Games for all skill levels.

Note: childcare is not be provided and most games are recommended for age 14+.

Please pray for healing and recovery for those hospitalized or recently discharged: Anna Macareno

Our heartfelt love, sympathy, and prayers to Suzanne Schackelman on the passing of her husband, Joe.

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. We would love to encourage you and pray.

Last Week: Sanctuary Attendance: 591 Children's Ministry Attendance: 103

Giving: Last Week: \$27,057 YTD: \$1,707,727 +/- Budget: -\$53,821