

Be Imitators of God  
Ephesians 5:1-2

March 5, 2023  
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**Prayer Items**

- Give praise and thanksgiving to God for what He has done for us: election, grace, and faith.
- Pray for Iglesia Emanuel—our church plant in Bolivia—and for Compassion International as they serve the families in the community. Pray for the families and children the church and Compassion serve.
- Ask God to give you: a longing to know Him more, humility before Him, and faith to trust and follow Him in all that He asks.

**Church Service 10:30 a.m.**

## Welcome to Grace Community Fellowship!

Welcome to Grace Community Fellowship! We are glad that you are here.

If you are new to Grace, please take a moment to **fill out the communication card** attached to this program and drop it in one of the boxes at the back of the auditorium or take it to the Connect Desk in the lobby.

- Nursery (0–24 months and 2–3 years) is available during the whole service
- Kids Time (4 years–1st grade) is available during the sermon time
  - Nursery and kids classrooms are located through the double doors in the back of the auditorium
- Activity bags are available on the coat rack in the back of the auditorium for children who are staying in the service
- Hearing assistance devices are available on the table in the back of the auditorium

We are excited to worship with you this morning!

## What's Happening at Grace

Check our calendar on the Church Center App or at [gcfhillsboro.net](http://gcfhillsboro.net) for continuous up-to-date information.

### BRING/BUILD: Bible Reading Plan

We invite you to join us in our church family Bible reading plan. Details for the new 2023 portion of the reading plan are available online at [gcfhillsboro.net/biblereading](http://gcfhillsboro.net/biblereading) and in-person at the info wall in the lobby.

### BRING/BUILD: March Memory Verse

Psalm 135:5–6

### SEND: Compassion Sunday

In 2018, we (along with our fellow Synergy Kansas churches) partnered with Compassion International to plant a church outside Santa Cruz, Bolivia. Now, we have the opportunity to have an ongoing relationship with Iglesia Emanuel by sponsoring kids in the community through Compassion. Today is our **Compassion Sunday**, when we will hear more about what Compassion is doing in Bolivia and you have the chance to sponsor a child for \$38/month.

### BRING: Church-wide Fellowship Meal today

We are excited to connect with one another over a tasty meal today! Everyone is invited to stick around and eat after the service.

### SEND: 30 Hour Famine

Everyone is invited to join the high school students in the 30 Hour Famine on March 24–25! They will be raising funds to donate locally. We will be fasting together starting at 1:00pm on Friday and then will break the fast together at 7:00pm Saturday night at the church building. You are also invited to join the service project on Saturday morning from 9:00am–12:00pm. Sign up to participate in the meal or service project in the Church Center app or at the Connect Desk by Wednesday, March 8.

## Statistics from Previous Sunday

Attendance: 186

General Fund Offering: \$4,290.00

## Ways to Connect with Us



[gcfhillsboro.net](http://gcfhillsboro.net)  
[gcfhillsboro.churchcenter.com](http://gcfhillsboro.churchcenter.com)



Grace Community  
Fellowship



[infogcfhillsboro@gmail.com](mailto:infogcfhillsboro@gmail.com)



Connect Table in Foyer



Church Center App

### THIS WEEK

Today

Compassion Sunday

Today

Church-wide Fellowship Meal | immediately after the service

March 8

Wednesday Night Groups | family meal at 6:30, gatherings at 7:00–8:00pm  
menu: chili/chili dogs

### UPCOMING

March 15

NO Wednesday Night Groups

March 22

Wednesday Night Groups | family meal at 6:30, gatherings at 7:00–8:00pm

March 24-25

30 Hour Famine

### Grace Community Fellowship Pastoral Staff

Mike Barter, Nathan Ehresman

### Grace Community Fellowship Elders

Jeremy Duerksen, Dennis Funk, Brian Nickel, Jason Unruh, Mike Barter

### Grace Community Fellowship Deacons

Jim Enns, Merlin Funk, Shane Hennigh, Kurt Herrel, Wade Sorensen

### Grace Community Fellowship Office Staff

Brenda Enns (financial administrator), Lisa Unruh (janitor)

### Synergy Kansas Churches

Grace Community Church (Newton): Jack Napier

Grace Community Fellowship (Hillsboro): Mike Barter

Grace Crossing (Moundridge): Jason Rains

New Anthem Community Church (Park City): Landon Jordan

Harvest Bible Church (Ellsworth): Marc Compton

King's Cross Church (Lyons): Caleb Barrows

### International Church Plant

Iglesia Emanuel (Santa Cruz, Bolivia): Roberto Torres

## Giving

We believe that regular giving to the local church is an essential act of worship in response to God's provision for us. And when you give here at Grace, you are directly supporting and playing a part in a number of local, domestic, and global ministries.

You can give during the service by placing your tithes and offerings in one of the two boxes in the back of the auditorium or you can give online as a one-time gift or set up automatic withdrawals at [gcfhillsboro.net/give-online](http://gcfhillsboro.net/give-online)

General Budget Income 2023: \$32,985.19