November 21, 2021 Mike Barter

# **Grace Community Fellowship**

Today's Message

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### 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.

Parents, nursery (0–24 months | 2–3 yrs) is available during the whole service. Children's church (4 yrs–3rd grade) is available during the sermon time. The nursery and children's classrooms are located through the double doors in the back of the auditorium. We also have activity bags available for children who are staying in the service. They can be found on the coat rack at the back of the auditorium.

We are excited to worship with you this morning!

## What's Happening at Grace

Remember to check our calendar on the Church Center App or at gcfhillsboro.net for continuous up-to-date information.

### **Bible Reading Plan**

We participate in a church family Bible reading plan. Find details on our website or pick up a printed yearly guide at the Connect Desk.

#### **November Memory Verses**

Romans 1:16, Titus 3:5

Advent

The Advent season (which there is no biblical mandate to observe) is both a commemoration of Christ's first coming and an anticipation of His second coming. Advent (which means "coming") begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas and ends on Christmas Eve. It is a season of preparation to ready our hearts for the glory of Christmas Day as we celebrate the coming of the eternal God in our frail humanity. It's a time for adoring Jesus. If you're looking for a resource to help keep Christ at the center of Christmas, we have a link to John Piper's *Good News of Great Joy* on our website and on the Church Center App. You can also find it on Youversion Bible App. It contains 25 short devotional readings which are designed to begin on December 1st.

#### Christmas Eve service

Join us on Friday, December 24 at 5:30 pm as we celebrate the birth of our Savior through fellowship, song, and scripture.

#### Ladies Winter Retreat: I Choose Joy

The women's event originally scheduled for October has been moved to Saturday, January 15. Ladies, join us that day for an encouraging time of fellowship, worship, and teaching featuring speaker Lora Jones, author of *Song of a Wounded Heart*. Find more information and registration forms at the coffee bar. If you registered in the fall, your registration will carry over.

### Statistics from Previous Sunday

Attendance: 188

General Fund Offering: \$9,794.94

### Ways to Connect with Us



gcfhillsboro.net gcfhillsboro.churchcenter.com



Grace Community Fellowship



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**Connect Table in Foyer** 



**Church Center App** 

### THIS WEEK

November 24 NO Wednesday Night Activities

### **UPCOMING**

December 1 Wednesday Night Activities | family meal at 6:30, activities 7:00–8:00 pm

December 5 NO Children's Church

### BRING people to believe and belong

**Connect Lunch:** Enjoy a free lunch and get to know other people here at Grace.

January 9 | after service | Activity Room

Grace Connections: Learn about who we are, what we believe, and how you can get plugged in.

February 12, 6:00-8:00pm & February 13, 9:15-10:00am

### BUILD people in truth and for service

**Bible Reading Plan:** Find details about next year's plan at gcfhillsboro.net/biblereading or pick up a yearly guide at the Connect Desk.

**Small Groups:** Join an open group at gcfhillsboro.net/connect-groups or in the Church Center app.

### SEND people out into service

**Make Disciples:** Ask God to lead you to someone to vulnerably share life with as you both grow in Christlikeness.

**Love Your Neighbor:** Sometime this week, ask one of your neighbors about their plans for the holidays.

### 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

General Budget Income 2021: \$504,845.50