

We are a family, building Christ-centered homes who impact their world.

GraceFirst Worship Service 8/18/24

Preparation for Worship

Announcements

Call to Worship: Psalm 136:1-9

Offering

Hymns of Praise

Pre-K to 1st grade kids participating in Children's Church dismissed

Scripture Reading: 1 John 3:1-10

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: Ephesians 1:15-23, "The Great Treasure We Have in Christ"

Hymn of Commission - #344

Benediction

"Hope here (v. 18) refers to the future promises of God for His people that cannot possibly fail. The biblical word for "hope" refers not to that which we desire would take place (but might not actually take place) but rather to God's promises in the future that most certainly will take place. That's why hope is called the anchor of the soul." – R. C. Sproul

If this is your first time at GraceFirst, we hope you'll give us the chance to get to know you better by filling out a Connection Card from the pew rack in front of you, then drop it off at the Welcome Center as you leave and pick up a small gift.

Wireless access: Username=GraceFirstGuest; Password=Psalm145:9

Looking ahead

TODAY Dominican Republic Meeting
We will have a missions trip to DR early next year. Join us following the service for more info.

AUG

- 19 Women's Dinner
 6 pm | Fiesta Bowl | Join us for a fun evening of fellowship and good food. | Cost: \$5 | Sign up in the Lobby.
- 25 Exploring Membership Part 2
 9 am ¦ If you are interested in knowing more about our church, contact Pastor Tim or Pastor Jake. This class does not commit you to join the church.
- 27 Ladies' Lunch Out 11:30 am ¦ Jimmy's Egg, Central & Webb
- 31 Dinners for 8
 6 pm ¦ This is an opportunity for people to share a meal and get to know one another in a small group setting. ¦ Watch for sign ups.

SEPT

- 2 Church Office Closed in observance of Labor Day
- 4 Team KID begins 6:30 - 7:45 pm
- 4 Ladies' Bible Study 6:30 - 7:45 pm | Study: Five minor prophets and five short epistles | Led by Kandy J. | Sign up in the Lobby.
- 6-8 Family Camp

Next Sunday

Sunday School, 9 am

Worship, 10:15 am

Pastor Tim continues the series on Ephesians

Visit our website www.gracefirst.church

Giving Report

Aug. 11: \$ 13,676 Last 4-wk avg: \$ 11,920 '24 YTD Giving: \$341,666

Our Elders

Mark Goldberg, Chairman Dave Sitz, Vice-Chairman Sean Jahansooz, Secretary Brian Werner, Stewardship Kevin Angell Mike Kuss Pastor Tim Cho

"The Great Treasure We Have in Christ" Ephesians 1:15-23 Pastor Jake Sizemore August 18, 2024

Pray for our Church Family

Harold Roesler Matt Collins's dad Caroline Jahansooz's dad Tipton family

For additional prayer needs, pick up the prayer sheet at the Welcome Desk by the main entrance.

GraceFirst Recommended Reading for August (All books listed are in the library):

- Doctrine of Election and Salvation: 1.
- a. John Frame, Systematic Theology, Ch. 40: Calling, 934-943. b. A. W. Tozer, The Knowledge of the Holy, Ch. 22: The Sovereignty of God, 115-120.
- 2. Human Responsibility and Freedom:
 - a. John Frame, Systematic Theology, Ch. 35: Human Responsibility and Freedom, 809-844.
- 3. Sovereignty of God and Calvin:
 - a. Bruce Shelly, Church History in Plain Language 5th Ed., 308-311.

GraceFirst Sermon Series Plans		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Sermon</u>	<u>Preacher</u>
8/25/24	Eph. 2:1-10, "Saved by Faith Not Works"	Pastor Tim
9/1/24	Eph. 2:11-22. "A New Family"	Pastor Tim
9/8/24	Eph. 3:1-13, "Paul: The Man on Mission"	Pastor Tim
9/15/24	Eph. 3:14-21. "Strengthened by the Spirit"	Dr. Jahansooz
9/22/24	Eph. 4:1-6, "Unity in the Church"	Pastor Tim
9/29/24	Church and Politics	Pastor Tim
10/6/24	Eph. 4:7-16, "Growing Together"	Kevin Angell
10/13/24	Eph. 4:17-5:2, "New Clothes in Christ"	Pastor Tim
10/20/24	Eph. 5:3-14. "Walking in the Light"	Pastor Jake
10/27/24	Eph. 5:15-21, "Wise Life is Spirit-filled Life"	Pastor Tim
11/3/24	Eph. 5:22-33, "Dear Husbands & Wives"	Pastor Tim
11/10/24	Eph. 6:1-9, "Dear Children, Fathers,"	Pastor Tim