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

GraceFirst Worship Service

9/1/24

Preparation for Worship

Announcements

Call to Worship: Isaiah 28:16-17

Offering

Hymns of Praise

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

Scripture Reading: Galatians 3:19-29

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: Ephesians 2:11-22, "A New Family"

Communion

Doxology & Benediction

"Our adoption shows us the greatness of God's love. Of all the gifts of grace, adoption is the highest. When you realize that God has taken you from the gutter, so to speak, and made you a son in his own house, you, a miraculously pardoned offender, guilty, ungrateful, defiant, perverse, as you were, then your sense of God's "love beyond degree" is more than words can express." – J.I. Packer, Knowing God.

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

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 - PAY TODAY!
Begins 5:00 pm on Friday - Sunday noon | Sign up in the Lobby.
- 9 Ladies' Bible Study
9:30 am | Study: Five minor prophets and five short epistles | Led by Peggy R. | Sign up in the Lobby.
- 10 Men's Lunch Out
11:30 am | Old Chicago on E. Kellogg (Towne East parking lot)
- 12 Children's Ministry Prayer Team
9:00 am | Anyone is welcome to come pray with us.
- 12 Men's Ministry
6:30 pm | Brandon N. leads discussion "Should Christians be involved in politics? How should we understand church and politics?"
- 22 Concert of Prayer
6:00 pm
- 24 Ladies' Lunch Out
11:30 am | Doc Green's, 13th & K-96

Next Sunday

NO Sunday School

**Worship, 10:15 am
(NO Children's Church)**

*Pastor Tim continues
the series on Ephesians*

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www.gracefirst.church

Giving Report

Aug. 25:	\$ 10,489
Last 4-wk avg:	\$ 13,918
'24 YTD Giving :	\$383,661

Our Elders

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

“A New Family”
Ephesians 2:11-22

Pastor Tim Cho Sept. 1, 2024

Q: What positive effect results from being saved by God’s grace?

Big Idea: You who were once lost have now been adopted by Jesus into God’s family

1. The Problem: Gentiles were excluded from the Messianic promise
2. The Solution: Believers of all nations are reconciled through Christ’s blood
3. The Result: All Christians are adopted as members in God’s family

Michael & Jenay O'Shaughnessey

welcomed their daughter, Aislin, into
their home this past week.

**We'd like to shower them with gift cards from
Walmart, Amazon, and/or diapers (receipt attached please).**

Cards can be put in the basket on the sign up table.

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

1. The Apostle Paul:
 - a. Bruce Shelley, Church History in Plain Language 5th Edition, Ch. 1: Wineskins Old and New – The Apostle Paul, 27-32.
2. The Church:
 - a. Gregg R. Allison, Historical Theology, Chs. 27-29: Church Government, Baptism, and the Lord's Supper, 588-658.
 - b. Mark Dever, Nine Marks of a Healthy Church, Chs. 4-5: Church Membership and Church Discipline, 121-170.
 - c. J.I. Packer, Knowing God, Ch. 19: Sons of God, 181-208.
 - d. Evangelical Convictions 2nd Edition, Article 7: The Church, 131-160.
3. Greek Philosophy:
 - a. John Frame, A History of Western Philosophy and Theology, Ch. 2: Greek Philosophy, 46-81.

GraceFirst Sermon Series Plans

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sermon</u>	<u>Preacher</u>
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