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

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## GraceFirst Worship Service

11/17/24

Preparation for Worship

Announcements

Missions Spotlight - Shah & Zulfiia

Call to Worship: Psalm 91

Offering

Hymns of Praise

*Pre-K to 1<sup>st</sup> grade kids participating in Children's Church dismissed*

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 59:15b-21

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: Eph. 6:10-20, "Gear Up for Battle"

Hymn of Commission

Benediction

"In heaven we shall appear not in armour but in robes of glory; but here they [the pieces of armour specified] are to be worn night and day; we must walk, work, and sleep in them, or else we are not true soldiers of Christ." – William Gurnall, a Puritan Minister, 1655.

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 All-church Thanksgiving Dinner - PLEASE PAY THIS MORNING**  
5:30 pm | The church will provide turkey and tri-tips, rolls, green beans and drinks. Each family is asked to bring a salad, a couple of pies, or potatoes, enough to feed 10 people. | Cost: \$3/person for adults and youth, \$2 for grade schoolers, and free to kids 4 and under. | Sign up in the Lobby. | Contact: Becka J.

## NOV

**21 Children's Ministry Prayer Team**  
9:00 am | in the Library | Anyone is welcome to join us.

**21 Angel Tree Toy Shop**  
1 - 4 pm | Sort and arrange toys into age groups | at old Wichita city library located on south Main St downtown Wichita |  
Contact: Merlyn and Rhonda TenClay

**27 NO Wednesday evening activities**

**28 Church Office closed in observance of Thanksgiving**

## DEC

**10 Men's Lunch Out**  
11:30 am | at Old Chicago, E. Kellogg (Towne East parking lot)

**10 Women's Christmas Dinner**  
6 pm | Menu: Swedish Meatballs, noodles, salad, dessert. | Cost: \$5

**14 Adults w/ Special Needs Event**  
3 - 6 pm | here at GraceFirst

**15 Christmas "Gift" Exchange**  
9 am

### Next Sunday

**Sunday School, 9:00 am**

**Worship, 10:15 am**

*Pastor Tim continues the  
Ephesians series*

**Visit our website**  
[www.gracefirst.church](http://www.gracefirst.church)

### Giving Report

Nov. 10:	\$ 16,308
Last 4-wk avg:	\$ 16,134
'24 YTD Giving :	\$518,285

### Our Elders

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

# **“Gear Up for Battle”**

## **Ephesians 6:10-20**

Pastor Tim Cho

Nov. 17, 2024

**Q: What is Paul’s charge for Christians in their walk with Christ?**

**Big Idea: Gear up; get up; fight**

1. The Fierce Enemy – Satan the devil

2. The Fighting Posture – Stand Firm

3. The Full Armor of God – Spiritual “battle rattle”

## Pray for our Church Family

Hilde Yops  
Buhlers' son & DIL  
Charles McConnell  
Micki Davis's son

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

### **Recommended Reading for November (All books listed are in the library):**

1. The Holy Spirit's work in our lives:
  - a. J.I. Packer, Keep in Step with the Spirit, Ch. 2: The Holy Spirit in the Bible, 55-76.
2. Spiritual Warfare:
  - a. Martyn Lloyd Jones, God the Holy Spirit, Ch. 19: Sanctification – God's Work and Ours, 200-209.
  - b. Donald MacLeod, Christ Crucified: Understanding the Atonement, Ch. 11: Victory – Disarming the Powers, 238-255.
3. Submission in Marriage and Application:
  - a. Wayne Grudem, Systematic Theology 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed., Ch. 22: Man as Male and Female, 592-595.
  - b. Lee Strobel, Surviving a Spiritual Mismatch in Marriage.
4. Working as a Christian in a Secular World:
  - a. Timothy Keller, Every Good Endeavor, Chs. 1-2: God's Design and Dignity of Work, 19-41.



### **GraceFirst Sermon Series Plans**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sermon</u>	<u>Preacher</u>
11/24/24	Eph. 6:21-24, "The Power of Grace"	Pastor Tim
12/1/24	Advent series - Luke 1:5-25	Pastor Tim
12/8/24	Advent series - Luke 1:26-38	Pastor Tim
12/15/24	Advent series - Luke 1:39-56	Pastor Ray Pew
12/22/24	Advent series - Luke 1:57-80	Pastor Jake
12/24/24	Candlelight Service, 6 pm	Pastor Tim
12/29/24	Taking the Gospel to the Nations	Pastor Frantz