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

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## GraceFirst Worship Service

3/23/25

Preparation for Worship

Announcements

Call to Worship: Ezekiel 34:22-31

Offering

Hymns of Praise

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

Scripture: Matthew 7:13-20

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: John 10:7-10, "I AM the Gate"

Hymn of Commission - #288

Benediction

"John's presentation of who Jesus is lies at the heart of all that is distinctive in his Gospel. It is not just a question of some titles being ascribed to Jesus that are not found outside the Johannine corpus (i.e. the Lamb of God, the Word, I AM). Rather, fundamental to all else that is said of him, Jesus is peculiarly the Son of God." – D.A. Carson

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

## MAR

### 25 Ladies' Lunch Out

11:30 am | Livingston's in Andover, 360 S. Heritage Way, Ste 400

### 27 Men's Ministry

6:30 pm | How do we interpret difficult passages in the Bible? What are the key principles of interpreting the Bible?

### 29 Women's One-day Retreat

8:30 am - 4:30 pm | Join us for testimonies, food, crafts and fellowship. | Cost: \$10 plus cost per craft. | Sign up in the Lobby.

## APR

### 8 Men's Lunch Out

11:30 am | Old Chicago, E. Kellogg

### 10 Men's Ministry

6:30 pm | How do you honor God through secular work? What is the biblical view of work?

### 11 Bill Glass Training

5:30 pm | here at GraceFirst

### 12 Bill Glass Prison Ministry

7:30 am - 3 pm | at Hutchinson Correctional facility

### 19 Fellowship Dinners (formerly Dinners for 8)

6 pm | Watch for details.

### 22 Ladies' Lunch Out

11:30 am | Mediterranean Grill, 335 S. Towne East Mall Dr.

### 24 Men's Ministry

6:30 pm

### Next Sunday

**Sunday School, 9:00 am**

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

*Pastor Tim continues  
the I Am series*

### Giving Report

Mar. 16:	\$ 21,516
4-wk avg:	\$ 12,985
YTD Giving:	\$132,225

### Our Elders

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

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# **“I AM the Gate”**

## **John 10:7-10**

Pastor Tim Cho

March 23, 2025

**Q: Why should anyone trust Jesus with their lives?**

**Big Idea: Jesus is the gate of salvation who alone gives abundant life.**

The claim to His identity:

1. Jesus is the only true gate that will bring sinners into safety  
(vv. 7, 9)

The call to lost sheep:

2. Jesus calls you among other voices to enter into his sheepfold  
(vv. 8-9)

The consequences of entering:

3. Jesus' sheep are saved, satisfied, and have abundant life (vv. 9-10)

## **Pray for our Church Family**

Cheryl Kuss's family  
Matt Collins's family  
Elder Nominating Committee

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

### **Recommended Reading for Mar - Apr (All books listed are in the library):**

1. The Person of Jesus and His Work:
  - a. Gregg Allison, Historical Theology, Ch. 10: The Character of God, 210-230.
  - b. John Piper, Let the Nations Be Glad, Ch. 4: The Supremacy of Christ, 105-130.
  - c. R.C. Sproul, Renewing Your Mind, Ch. 5: The Man Who Is the Issue, 75-96.
2. Personal Response to Christ:
  - a. Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Life Together, Ch. 3: The Day Alone, 76-89.
  - b. John Frame, Systematic Theology, Ch. 52: How Then Shall We Live, 1101, 1113.
  - c. John Stott, Christ the Controversialist, Ch. 6: Worship – Lips or Heart, 60-172.
  - d. A.W. Tozer, The Pursuit of God, Ch. 8-9: Restoring the Creator-Creature Relation, and Meekness and Rest, 93-110.

### **GraceFirst Sermon Series Plans**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Sermon</u></b>	<b><u>Preacher</u></b>
3/30/25	John 11:25, "I Am the Resurrection..."	Pastor Tim
4/6/25	Jn 14:6, "I Am the Way, the Truth, & the Life"	Pastor Tim
4/13/25	Jn 15:1-11, "I Am the True Vine"	Pastor Krahn
4/20/25	John 21, "He is Risen"	Pastor Tim
4/27/25	Joint Worship @ Genesis	Pastor Abdel
5/4/25	Gen. 37, Jacob's Account thru Joseph	Pastor Tim