

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

GraceFirst Worship Service 6/22/25

Preparation for Worship

Announcements

Missions Spotlight: Isaac Rich

Call to Worship: Genesis 1:26-31

Offering

Hymns of Praise

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

Scripture: Matthew 25:14-30

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: Genesis 47:13-27, "Joseph's Wise Stewardship"

Hymn of Commission - #489

Benediction

"Jesus made this absolutely plain. The chief characteristic of Christian leaders, he insisted, is humility not authority, and gentleness not power." – John Stott

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

JUN

- 24 Ladies' Lunch Out 11:30 am Carlos O'Kelly's, 13th/Greenwich
- 29- Sunday School Break

AUG 3

- 29 NO Children's Church (5th Sunday)
- 29 All-church Picnic 5:30 pm | The church will provide chicken and drinks. Each family should bring a side dish or dessert to share. | If you're willing to coordinate this, please let Erin know.

JUL

- 2 NO Youth Group
- 8 Men's Lunch Out 11:30 am | Old Chicago (E. Kellogg, Towne East parking lot)
- 23-26 Kids' Great Get-away (counselors arrive 7/22)

AUG

6 & NO Youth Group

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- 10 Sunday School Resumes
- 17 & Membership Class
 - 24 9:00 am ¦ This is a great way to learn more about our church. Attending the class doesn't obligate you to join. I If interested,

contact Pastor Tim.

Next Sunday

NO Sunday School thru Aug. 3

Worship, 10:15 am

Pastor Tim will continue in the series on Joseph.

Visit our website www.gracefirst.church

Giving Report

June 15: 9,556 \$ 10.832 4-wk avg: \$ 267,483 YTD Giving:

Our Elders

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

"Joseph's Wise Stewardship" Genesis 47:13-27

Pastor Tim Cho

June 22, 2025

Q: Why should we be wise stewards of our God-given resources? Big Idea: God uses wise stewards to fulfill His purpose of blessing His people So what then does wise stewardship look like? 1. Wise stewardship plans to benefit the people involved (v. 16) 2. Wise stewardship makes accountable investments with calculated risks (v. 23-24) 3. Wise stewardship exercises compassion through special exemptions (vv. 22, 26) 4. Wise stewardship results in the flourishing of the people and the land (vv. 25-27)

Pray for our Church Family

Janelle Rich and family
Dale McCollum and family
John Ruhl

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

Recommended Reading for Apr - June (All books listed are in the library):

- 1. The Providence of God:
 - a. Gregg Allison, Historical Theology, Ch. 13: Providence, 277-297.
 - b. John Frame, No Other God: A Response to Open Theism, Ch. 5: Is God's Will the Ultimate Explanation of Everything, 57-87.
 - c. Wayne Grudem, Systematic Theology, Ch. 16: God's Providence, 420-444.
 - d. Charles Swindoll, Joseph: A Man of Integrity and Forgiveness.
- 2. God's Providential History:
 - a. Henry Morris, The Genesis Record, Ch. 22: Israel in Egypt The Children of Israel, 627-668.
 - b. Bruce Shelly, Church History in Plain Language 5th Ed., Ch. 6: The Rules of Books Formation of the Bible, 69-79.
- 3. Personal Response to God's Work:
 - a. Dietrich Bonhoeffer, The Cost of Discipleship, Ch. 2: The Call to Discipleship, 56-78.

GraceFirst Sermon Plans		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Sermon</u>	<u>Preacher</u>
6/29/25	Gen. 47:18-50:14, "Jacob's Blessing &"	Pastor Tim
7/6/25	Gen. 50:15-26, "Joseph's Summary"	Pastor Tim
7/13/25	Preacher's Choice	Brandon N.
7/20/25	Eph. 4:25, 29, "Speaking the Truth"	Pastor Tim
7/27/25	Pulpit Swap - Pastor Eric Douglas will be here	
8/3/25	Eph. 4:26-27, "Righteous Anger"	Pastor Tim