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

GraceFirst Worship Service

8/24/25

Preparation for Worship

Announcements

Call to Worship: Exodus 19:1-9

Offering

Hymns of Praise

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

Scripture: Hebrews 9:6-15

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: 1 Peter 1:13-16, "Be Prepared in Holiness"

Hymn of Commission - #1

Benediction

"You shall be holy, for I am holy." – 1 Peter 1:16

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

AUG

26 Ladies' Lunch Out

11:30 am | Applebee's, Andover Rd/Kellogg

28 Men's Ministry

6:30 pm | How should Christians view race and the "DEI" movement...?

31 NO Children's Church (5th Sunday)

31 Concert of Prayer

6 pm

SEP

1 Church Office Closed in observance of Labor Day

5-7 Family Camp

Sign up in the Lobby.

7 NO Sunday School

11 Men's Ministry

6:30 pm | Theology of covering and its implication.

15 Ladies' Bible Study

9:30 am | In-person | Kay Arthur's flexible inductive study of Ephesians | Cost of book: \$20 | Sign up in the Lobby

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Next Sunday

Sunday School, 9 am

Worship, 10:15 am

Pastor Tim continues the series on 1 Peter.

Giving Report

Aug 17:	\$ 18,893
4-wk avg:	\$ 12,602
YTD Giving:	\$ 386,903

Our Elders

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

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“Be Prepared in Holiness”

1 Peter 1:13-16

Pastor Jake Sizemore

August 24, 2025

I. What is Holiness

II. Holiness does not begin with you

III. Holiness is not just hard work

Pray for our Church Family

Mark Goldberg
Shah and Zulfiia
Rhonda TenClay's BIL

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

Recommended Reading for Aug - Nov (All books listed are in the library):

1. Themes of Peter's Epistles:
 - a. John Frame, Systematic Theology, Ch. 43: Sanctification, 983-997.
 - b. Alvin Schmidt, How Christianity Changed the World, Ch. 10: Liberty and Justice for All, 248-271.
 - c. John Stott, the Cross of Christ, Ch. 7: The Salvation of Sinners, 165-199.
 - d. A. W. Tozer, The Knowledge of the Holy, Chs. 20-21: The Love of God and the Holiness of God, 104-114.
2. On Pacifism and Just War
 - a. R. T. France, Matthew – Tyndale NT Commentaries, 130-131.
 - b. C. S. Lewis, The Weight of Glory, Ch. 4: Why I am Not a Pacifist, 64-90.
 - c. Wayne Grudem, Christian Ethics, Ch. 19: War, 520-544.
 - d. Scott B. Rae, Moral Choices: An Introduction to Ethics 4th Ed., Ch. 10: War, Violence, and Morality, 288-313.
 - e. John Stott, The Message of the Sermon on the Mount, Ch. 7: Christian Righteousness: Non-retaliation and Active Love, 84-95.
 - f. Bruce Shelley, Church History in Plain Language 5th Edition, Ch. 14: The Sage of the Ages, Augustine of Hippo, 159-167

GraceFirst Sermon Plans

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sermon</u>	<u>Preacher</u>
8/31/25	1 Peter 1:17-21, "Redeemed in the Blood..."	Pastor Tim
9/7/25	1 Peter 1:22-2:3, "Born Again to..."	Pastor Tim
9/14/25	1 Peter 2:4-10, "Living Stones of Priests"	Pastor Tim
9/21/25	1 Pet. 2: 11-20, "Kingdom Citizenship..."	Pastor Tim
9/28/25	1 Pet. 2:21-25, "Suffering as Servants..."	Kevin Angell
10/5/25	1 Pet. 3:1-12, "Displaying Christ's Humility..."	Pastor Tim