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

GraceFirst Worship Service

9/21/25

Preparation for Worship

Announcements

Ministry Spotlight: Facilities Ministry Team

Call to Worship: Psalm 37:1-11

Offering

Hymns of Praise

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

Scripture: Matthew 5:1-16

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: 1 Peter 2:11-20, "Kingdom Citizenship in a Sinful World"

Hymn of Commission - #317

Benediction

"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." – Matthew 5:16 (NIV)

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

SEP

23 Women's Dinner

6:00 pm | Menu: Curry chicken and rice, Asian salad, dessert. |
Speaker: Sarah Roberts, missionary to Japan | Cost: \$5 | Sign up
in the Lobby.

24 See You AFTER the Pole

5:30 - 8:45 pm | We'll meet at GF, then go to Central Christian. |
We need someone to bake 5 doz. cookies. | Contact: Pastor Jake

25 Men's Ministry

6:30 pm | What is the biblical view of immigration and caring for
immigrants?

28 Kids' Bible Reading Party

11:35 am | This is for students who finished their Bible reading
challenge this summer. | Contact Amy K. with questions.

30 Ladies' Lunch Out

11:30 am | Doc Green's, 13th and Webb

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4 Baby Shower for Lexy Daniel

2 - 4 pm | Lexy is having a boy and is registered at Amazon.

9 Men's Ministry

6:30 pm | What does it mean to give generously as a Christian?

12 Middle School Girls' Tea

Watch for more details

12 Youth Guys' BBQ

Watch for more details

Next Sunday

Sunday School, 9:00 am

Worship, 10:15 am
We'll have 3 baptisms

*Kevin Angell continues
the series on 1 Peter.*

Giving Report

Sept 14:	\$ 5,909
4-wk avg:	\$ 7,448
YTD Giving:	\$ 416,696

Our Elders

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

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“Kingdom Citizenship in a Sinful World”

1 Peter 2:11-20

Pastor Tim Cho

Sept. 21, 2025

Q: How should Christians live as Kingdom citizens on foreign soil?

Big Idea: Keep your behavior excellent by doing what is right before God

So how do we live in moral excellence in a sinful world?

1. Flee from sinful desires – Passions; Possessions; Positions (vv. 11-12)

2. Submit to your governing authorities by obeying the laws (vv. 13-17)

3. Submit to your employer even when they are unjust (vv. 18-20)

Pray for our Church Family

Tim and Debbie Buhler
Mark Goldberg
Shah and Zulfiia

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>
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
10/12/25	1 Pet. 3:13-22, "Victory in Christ"	Pastor Tim
10/19/25	1 Pet. 4:1-6, "Saying No to Sin & Yes...."	Pastor Tim
10/26/25	1 Pet. 4:7-11, "Living Out the Love..."	Dr. Jahansooz
11/2/25	1 Peter 4:12-19, "Got Pain, No Shame"	Pastor Tim