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

GraceFirst Worship Service

Preparation for Worship

Announcements

Missions Spotlight: Solid Rock Internat'l

Call to Worship: Jeremiah 33:14-18

Offering

Hymns of Praise

Children's Church dismissed (Pre-K - 1st grade)

Scripture Reading: Luke 22:14-20

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: Jeremiah 31, "3 Hopes, 2 Covenants, 1 Executer"

Child Dedications: Herrman children, Hannah Keesling, Aislin O'Shaughnessey, Otto Ruhl, Oliver Sizemore

Benediction

"Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." – Matthew 19:14

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 **Baby/Child Dedication**
During the service

APR

23 Men's Group

6:30 pm | How do Satan and demons manifest their evil influences today in the West? Around the world?

26 Youth Fundraiser Lunch

11:30 am | Menu: Burrito bowls

26 Business Meeting

12:30 pm | Everyone is welcome to attend. Members will be voting on elders' positions.

28 Ladies' Lunch Out

11:30 am | McAlister's, 21st/Greenwich

29 Wednesday Night Live

6:30 pm | We will have a church-wide potluck and evening of games.

MAY

2 Annual Shootout

9:00 am | At Trudells' land at Fall River. Lunch will be served. | Cost: \$10 | Sign up in the Lobby w/ needed info.

12 Men's Lunch Out

11:30 am | Old Chicago, E. Kellogg

14 Men's Group

6:30 pm

Next Sunday

Sunday School, 9:00 am

Worship, 10:15 am

*Pastor Tim will be continue
the Jeremiah series*

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www.gracefirst.church

Giving Report - April 12

'26 Budget:	\$ 671,649
Needed weekly:	\$ 12,916
April 12:	\$ 6,425
4-wk giving avg:	\$ 8,198
YTD rec'd:	\$ 166,951
YTD budget req'd	\$ 193,740
YTD ahead(behind):	\$ (26,789)

Our Elders

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

“3 Hopes, 2 Covenants, 1 Executer”

Jeremiah 31

Pastor Tim Cho

April 19, 2026

Q: How can believers walk through a difficult season of exile?

BI: Hope in God fervently, work in the present diligently, and HE will turn your hope into reality

Hope Given through 3 Hilltop Promises

1. Immediate Hilltop Promise: Return from Babylon

2. Intermediate Hilltop Promise: The New Covenant

3. The Mountain Peak Promise: Everlasting Peace

Elder Nominees' Bios



Marlin Penner (current elder): Over the last six decades God has allowed me the privilege of serving Him as a husband to my dear wife, Jan, Father of three daughters, Grandfather of twelve, and as a businessman. During that entire time He has also given me the opportunity to serve His Church family, as a founding member, a Bible teacher, discipler of young men, a Church Leader, Small Group leader and Elder. God extended His grace to me by allowing me to be raised in a Christian home, accepting Jesus as my Savior at an early age, and learning to walk with Him daily. As the name of our Church indicates, Jan and I were saved by Grace, First, and then given the opportunity to serve Him in many ways by extending care and Hospitality to others in God's Family. The opportunity to serve Him as an Elder is not to be taken lightly and I pray that He will give me the grace to serve Him faithfully. Considering that, I humbly accept the opportunity to continue serving as an Elder at GraceFirst Church.



Brandon Nemecek: Lacy and I have attended GraceFirst for 14 years and became members in 2016. I served on the Elder Board from 2018 to 2021, including two years as Chairman and one year as Stewardship Elder. We currently serve as middle school teachers and help with Wednesday night youth group. I've also taught adult Sunday school and the Thursday men's group, and have had the privilege of preaching, most recently on Palm Sunday. We have been married for 18 years and live just south of Rose Hill. We have three children—Colton (13), Trenton (11), and Audrey (7). I work as a Program Manager for GE Aerospace, and Lacy homeschools our children.

Recommended Reading for April - July:

(All books listed are in the library)

- A. John Frame, Systematic Theology, Ch. 16: God's Attributes: Power, Will, 335-358.
- B. John Frame, Systematic Theology, Ch. 25: God's Written Words, 562-590.
- C. Mark Dever, Nine Marks of a Healthy Church, Ch. 4: A Biblical Understanding of Church Membership, 121-144.
- D. J. P. Moreland and William Lane Craig, Philosophical Foundations for a Christian Worldview, Ch. 13: Free Will and Determinism, 267-284.
- E. J. I. Packer, Knowing God, Ch. 11: Thy Word is Truth, 98-105.
- F. Scott B. Rae, Moral Choices: An Introduction to Ethics (4th Ed.), Ch. 16: Immigration, Refugees, and Border Control, 459-479.