

WELCOME

If you're new to Grace, read on!

We want you to feel at home and get connected to God's amazing grace for your life!

- Pick up your gift at the **Welcome Center** at the main entrance.
- Attend **"A Taste of Grace"** the first Sunday of May after both services to meet our pastors and learn about our church! A meal is provided.
- Go deeper at **"Experiencing Grace"** offered most Sundays at 9:45 AM.
- Connect with others by attending **Sunday morning or Midweek Grace**, try a **Community Group**, or **Volunteer in a ministry**.

Learn more by visiting the Welcome Center (by the front doors) or check us out online at gracepres.org.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nominations for Elder and Deacon

The Session is asking that you prayerfully consider nominating men from our church membership to the office of elder or deacon. Nominations can be made via the church website and will be accepted from April 3-April 30. Questions may be directed to members of the Nominations committee: Elders Tom Giese 309.682.2751, Brian Livingston 309.692.5094, Thom Simpson 309.699.0280, or Dennis Yeske 309.696.3456.

Children's Musical

Sunday, April 17, 2 PM — Sanctuary

Join us for an afternoon of music, worship, and fun led by our children. Our Grace Kidz (Ages 4 - 2nd Grade) will open the program with their musical "Arkeology: Remembering God's Plan and Promises." Following this, our Junior Choir (Grades 3-6) will present "Back to the Cross: A Kids Musical Adventure Through Time."

The Walk (For the Lives of Women and Children)

Saturday, April 30, 8:30 AM

You can have a part in saving a life just by taking a two-mile walk! Join Peoria Rescue Ministries for The Walk and help raise support for the Women's Pregnancy Center and Esther House. Pick up a Walk brochure, contact Pat Withers at 309.692.4057 or visit PeoriaRescue.org/walk for more information.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Global Impact Celebration-Kidz style

Kidz Missions Conference — April 10-13

See, hear, smell and taste what life is like in Norway! Sign up to volunteer or register your kids through Grace Connect.

ADULTS

Global Impact Celebration

April 10-13 — One Mission for All Believers

As believers, we are called to participate in missions at home and around the world. Special guests include Dr. Robert Smart and Dr. William Lane Craig. Please register online at gracepres.org.

Grace Women's Fellowship

Tuesday, April 19, 7 PM — Front Porch

Join us for "Grow and Cook with Herbs" with Carol Melaik. All women are invited to attend.

His Alone Fellowship

*Friday, April 22, Noon — Weaver Ridge
5100 N. Weaver Ridge Blvd.*

Come for lunch and time of fellowship. Please bring an antique with its story to share. All single women are welcome to attend. *Note date change.*

Centered in Christ Adult Bible Class

Sunday, April 24, 9:30 AM - Gym

Join our group as we begin a study on the book of Mark. Enjoy excellent teaching and open discussion.

27th Annual APACHE Homeschool Convention

*Friday and Saturday, April 15-16, 8:30 AM
Grace Presbyterian Church*

Considering home education? New or seasoned home educator looking for encouragement? Find help and answers! Register at apachecentralillinois.org.

24th Annual Bill Ropp Memorial Golf Scramble

Saturday, May 7, 8 AM

Quail Meadows Golf Course

This event helps fund the Ropp Scholarship to be awarded to a Grace high school senior. Information is available at the kiosk, roppgolfouting.weebly.com or by calling Rhonda Haslett, 309.691.1547.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April

10 *Global Impact
Celebration*

11 *Global Impact
Celebration*

12 *Global Impact
Celebration*

13 *Global Impact
Celebration*

*See GIC booklet
for schedule.*

MEDIA

Grace Alive!

Sundays

WEEK-TV 25 — 9 AM

WBNH-FM 88.5 — 9 AM

Live Stream

gracepres.org/media

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Midweek Grace Meal Menu

*Includes entree, salad bar,
dessert, and drink.*

\$6/adults, \$3/kids 10 and under,
\$25 max/family.

April

13 Hamburger, Fries, Salad,
Dessert (5:30 PM *this week*)

20 Chicken Parmesan, Pasta,
Garlic Bread

27 Beef Pot Roast, Whipped
Potatoes, Rolls

KIDS

Grace Kidz

Sundays -

infant - age 4 — 8:30 AM

infant - sixth grade — 9:45 AM

infant - second grade — 11 AM

YOUTH

Jr. and Sr. High

Sundays - 9:45—10:45 AM

Wednesdays - 6:30—8 PM

Come on out for youth group this
Wednesday and bring friends!

Bill Ropp Memorial Scholarship

Are you a high school senior attending
Grace? Are you a committed student
with a love for the Lord? See John
Vanne for an application. Deadline is
Monday, April 11.

YOUNG ADULTS

Sunday Night Life

Tonight, 6 PM, Sr. High Room

Come worship with us and enjoy
community.

No Volleyball this Thursday. We'll be
back on next week!

MEN

Ministry to Men — Bible study

Wednesdays - 6:30 AM

Wednesdays - 6:30 PM

WOMEN

MOPS@gracepres — For every mom

Tuesdays - 9:30—11:30 AM, Front Porch

Wednesdays - 6:30—8 PM, Front Porch

Women's Bible Studies

Tuesdays - 9:30—11:30 AM

MIDWEEK GRACE

Midweek Grace Meal

Wednesday, 5:30 PM

A meal is available for purchase every
week for Midweek Grace.

Midweek Grace Activities

Wednesdays, 6:30 PM

Join us for classes and activities for all ages.

APRIL
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS OF ADORATION
AND CONFESSION

PRAYER OF ASSURANCE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

OFFERING OF THANKSGIVING

MESSAGE

"The Call, Power, and Direction of Missions"

Dr. Robert Smart

Acts 1:1-8

Page 909 in the Grace Bible

BENEDICTION

STEWARDSHIP/GIVING UPDATE AS OF March 27, 2016

We invite everyone who calls Grace Church home to enter into a lifestyle of generous giving! Your gifts make ministry here, and around the world, possible.

Giving to Church Ministries (Fiscal Year-to-Date)

What We Planned	What We Gave	Ahead/(Behind)
\$1,711,000	\$1,589,907	(\$121,093)

Missions Giving (10% of Church Ministries Donations)

What We Planned	What We Set Aside	Ahead/(Behind)
\$171,100	\$158,991	(\$12,109)

(Additional Missions Offerings)

What We Planned	What We Gave	Ahead/(Behind)
\$84,058	\$74,196	(\$9,862)

Monthly Mortgage Update

As Of March 15	As Of April 1	Amount Reduced
\$3,043,998	\$3,028,998	\$15,000

NOTE: You may give to the church mortgage by indicating "Growing Grace" or "Church Mortgage" on your donation.

REMEMBER GRACE: We are thankful to all those who remember Grace Church in their will and estate planning. We thank God for your legacy of love!

IN REMEMBRANCE

Patricia Saad - April 1, 2016. Mother of Joseph and Steven Saad, and sister of Sam Erhardt.

Meow "Molly" Lovier - April 4, 2016. Wife of Jim, mother of Laura Gentry, Nicholas Lovier, and sister of George Lin, Hiroshi, Akira, Isamu Kitashiro, and Grace Fang.

Thomas O'Connell - April 4, 2016. Husband of Ruth, father of Kathie Johnson, Rick O'Connell, Kim Adkins, and brother of Shirley Ganion.

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MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT

Bill and Jan Craig - Reasonable Faith



Bill's ministry aims to produce first-rate literature defending the Christian worldview, both on a scholarly and a popular level, in the form of books and articles. Bill also proclaims the Gospel in an intellectually credible way on university campuses through lectures, debates and written books. He uses these methods to train Christians in the art of defending their faith. To learn more about their current ministry and how to pray for them, visit the Missions Kiosk near the main entrance and pick up their newsletter.

