

# 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](http://gracepres.org).

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Communion Celebration Today

Grace Presbyterian Church invites all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ alone for salvation to partake in Holy Communion. If you are uncertain whether you are a believer in Christ, you are encouraged to let the elements pass by during the serving of communion. Instead, we invite those searching for a relationship with God to use this time to ask him to guide you in this way: "Lord, if what you claim is true about Jesus dying as a sacrifice for my sins, then open to my heart the reality of who you are, and how loved I am." You are welcome to speak to a pastor or use a "Responding to Grace" card at your seat to let us know if you would like to talk more.

### Teen Choir Concert

*Tonight, 6 PM — Sanctuary*

The Teen Choir has been on tour this weekend. Please join us this evening as they wrap up their annual tour with a concert at Grace.

### Night of Worship

*Friday, April 29, 7 PM — Sanctuary*

We are creating a unique worship experience, knowing that God uses these moments for His glory and our good. We invite all ages to join us.

### Church Work Day

*Saturday, April 30, 8 AM — North Canopy*

Everyone is welcome and needed. Please join us! Meet at the north canopy. Contact Randy at [rwhitman@gracepres.org](mailto:rwhitman@gracepres.org) for more info.

## CHILDREN & FAMILIES

### Last Clubs for the Season

Wednesday, April 27 is our last night for Clubs this season. We look forward to seeing you at events like VBS this summer!

### Campouts

The Boys Brigade Campout is April 29 and the Pioneer Girl Campout is April 30. Go to [www.gracepres.org/calendar](http://www.gracepres.org/calendar) for more information. Registration is due by April 27.

### Vacation Bible School

VBS registration for volunteers and children is now open. Visit [www.gracepres.org](http://www.gracepres.org) to sign up. VBS is June 6-10 from 9-11:30.

## ADULTS

### 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.

### Classical Conversations Information Meeting

*Monday, April 25, 6:30 - 8:30 PM*  
*Lower Level Room 9*

Bring joy, direction, and stability into your home-schooling. Contact Hannah Spuler for questions: [Hannah@scottandhannah.com](mailto:Hannah@scottandhannah.com).

### 24th Annual Bill Ropp Memorial Golf Scramble

*Saturday, May 7, 8 AM*

*Quail Meadows Golf Course*

Call Rhonda Haslett at 309.691.1547 to sign up or go to [roppgolffouting.weebly.com](http://roppgolffouting.weebly.com).

### Decision America

*Tuesday, June 14, 9 AM*

*Peoria Charter Leaves from Grace*

Prayer rally with Franklin Graham at the Springfield Capitol. Details at [peoriacharter.com](http://peoriacharter.com).

## DID YOU KNOW?

The 65th National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 5, 2016. Join other Christians at noon at the Peoria County Courthouse and unite in prayer with thousands of Christians across our country.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### April

**24** *Teen Choir Concert*  
*6 PM*

**27** *Last Midweek Grace*

**29** *Worship Night*  
*7 PM*

### May

**8** *Mother's Day*

**8** *Tim Hawkins in Concert*  
*7 PM*

## MEDIA

### Grace Alive!



*Sundays*

WEEK-TV 25 — 9 AM

WBNH-FM 88.5 — 9 AM

### Live Stream

[gracepres.org/media](http://gracepres.org/media)

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### Midweek Grace Meal This Week

Beef Pot Roast, Whipped Potatoes, Rolls. **Includes entree, salad bar, dessert, and drink.**

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

## 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!

## YOUNG ADULTS

### Sunday Night Life

*Tonight, 6 PM, Sanctuary*

We are going to watch the Teen Choir Concert and then out to Culver's!

### Volleyball

*Thursdays - 6PM, Gym*

Come and play!

## 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

*Wednesdays, 5:15 PM*

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

### Midweek Grace Activities

*Wednesdays, 6:30 PM*

Join us for the last Midweek Grace of the season.

APRIL  
24

## 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

*"Witness"*

*Dr. Bryan Chapell*

Matthew 5:10-16

*Page 810 in the Grace Bible*

BENEDICTION

### STEWARDSHIP/GIVING UPDATE AS OF April 10, 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)
\$1,832,000	\$1,718,186	(\$113,814)

#### Missions Giving (10% of Church Ministries Donations)

What We Planned	What We Set Aside	Ahead/(Behind)
\$183,200	\$171,819	(\$11,381)

#### (Additional Missions Offerings)

What We Planned	What We Gave	Ahead/(Behind)
\$90,524	\$82,017	(\$8,507)

#### 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

**Matthew Williams** - April 13, 2016. Son of James and Valerie Williams.

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### MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT

Michael and Leslie Rebholz - Cru



Mike and Leslie moved to Xenia, Ohio this past summer to serve with the sports ministry of Cru called Athletes in Action (AIA). Mike and Leslie will serve in Leadership Development and Human Resources. 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.

