



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"** today, after both services to meet our pastors and learn about our church! A meal is provided.
- Go deeper at **"Experiencing Grace."** Next class is coming this fall.
- 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

Children's Ministry Serving Opportunities

Our Fall programs are starting soon and more volunteers are needed. We are looking for people to help with all ages on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. For more information, please contact Julie Cordes at jcordes@gracepres.org.

Cora Leman — 100th Birthday



Cora Leman, a dear Grace member, will celebrate her 100th birthday on September 12. She would love to receive cards at the Apostolic Christian Home, 7023 Skyline Dr, Peoria, IL 61614. Contact Bev Wright with any questions at 309.685.8549.

Picnic Sign-ups in the Atrium Today

Many hands make light work, but it also means a greater need for more desserts! If you haven't already, please sign up online at www.gracepres.org/picnic_16 or in the atrium today to volunteer for the picnic and/or to bring your favorite dessert of cookies, bars, or brownies.

Bags Tournament at the Church Picnic, Sunday, September 18, 1 PM

Calling all Bags players! Do you have that perfect arm, an amazing arch, or just uncanny luck? Sign up your two person team today in the Atrium to participate in a competition during the Church Picnic. All ages welcome!

Tuesday Morning Child Care

We have more than 100 kids attending KIDventure on Tuesday mornings while their moms are in Bible studies! We need help caring for these children. We have paid and volunteer positions available. Please contact Julie Cordes at jcordes@gracepres.org.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Wednesday Clubs Registration

We are looking forward to having your child be a part of our Wednesday night clubs! Be sure to register them before that first night to make check-in easier! You can do that online at www.gracepres.org/children.

ADULTS

Grace Choir Rehearsals Begin

Wednesday, September 7, 6:30 - 8 PM — Chapel
Grace Choir is an excellent place to experience fellowship, musical growth, and the great joy of leading God's people in worship each Sunday morning. Open to anyone college age and older.

Grace Family Christmas Choir Rehearsals Begin

Sunday, September 11, 4 - 5:30 PM — Chapel
All are invited to come and be a part of one of the biggest events of the year! No audition necessary. Just bring your voice and a heart of worship!

Grace Women's Fellowship

Tuesday, September 20, 7 PM — Front Porch
All women are invited to attend, "The Procrastinators Guide To Getting Things Done," a presentation by Kate Varnas. Refreshments will be served.

WPEO 15th Annual Bible Drive

Month of September
Love Packages is an organization that recycles and sends materials to those who hunger for God's Word around the world! This month donations of Bibles, tracts, CD's and DVD's, Sunday school supplies, books, and other Christian materials can be dropped off at any of the entrances here at the church. For more info, contact rwhitman@gracepres.org.

DID YOU KNOW?

Samaritan Ministries International is a growing Christian health care sharing ministry located in Peoria, IL. There are potential positions available in Member Services, Member Experience, ITS, Communications, and Membership Development. Submit resumes to hr@samaritanministries.org, attention Greg Hill.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September

5 *Labor Day*
Church Office Closed

14 *Midweek Grace Begins*

18 *Church Picnic*

MEDIA

Grace Alive!

Sundays
WEEK-TV 25 — 9 AM
WBNH-FM 88.5 — 9 AM
Live Stream
media.gracepres.org — 11 AM

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For more information on upcoming events please visit our website at www.gracepres.org/events.

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

YOUNG ADULTS

YAMS Sunday Night Life

Enjoy this Labor Day weekend. We'll get together next Sunday night.

Volleyball

Thursday, 6 PM — Gym
Come and play!

MEN

Ministry to Men Bible Study

Wednesdays, 6:30 AM — Front Porch

WOMEN

Fall Bible Studies

Beginning Tuesdays, September 13.
Brochures are available in the Atrium.



SEPTEMBER

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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

"Abounding Joy"

Dr. Bryan Chapell

Philippians 1:7-11

Page 980 in the Grace Bible

BENEDICTION

STEWARDSHIP/GIVING UPDATE AS OF AUGUST 21, 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)
\$2,795,000	\$2,710,417	(\$84,583)

Missions Giving (10% of Church Ministries Donations)

What We Planned	What We Set Aside	Ahead/(Behind)
\$279,500	\$271,042	(\$8,458)

(Additional Missions Offerings)

What We Planned	What We Gave	Ahead/(Behind)
\$151,951	\$137,490	(\$14,461)

Monthly Mortgage Update

As of August 1	As of September 1	Amount Reduced
\$2,889,000	\$2,824,000	\$65,000

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

Glenita Reliford - August 26, 2106. Mother of Charles (Nancy) Elwyn and Gary Elwyn.

Herbert Sparkman - August 28, 2016. Father of Debra Osmundson and Delinda Rentsch, brother of Virginia Snyder, Joyce Moore and Peggy Bennett.

Jack Groeper - August 29, 2016. Husband of Roberta, father of Robin Forney, Ron, Roy and Russell Groeper, brother of Sandra "Sue" Robbins, Sheila Wyard and Jayne Groeper.

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MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT

Susan Perlman — Jews for Jesus



Susan is one of the founders of the largest Jewish mission agency in the world. With mission centers in 13 countries and 25 cities, Jews for Jesus makes the Messiahship of Jesus an unavoidable issue to Jews worldwide. Susan is not only trained as a missionary, but provides oversight for the communications aspects of Jews for Jesus including publications, multimedia, and interviews in the secular media. To learn more about her current ministry and how to pray for her, visit the Missions Kiosk near the main entrance and pick up her newsletter.

