



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 each month after both services to meet our pastors and learn about our church! A meal is provided.
- Go deeper at **"Discover Grace."** Next class is October 9 after first service.
- 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

Picnic Sign-ups in the Atrium Today

Many hands make light work, but it also means a greater need for more desserts! 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 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. Prizes for first and second place!

Grace Family Christmas Choir Rehearsals Begin

Today, 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!

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.

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

Midweek Grace for Kidz Starts This Week!

There's Kidz Klub, Pioneer Girls, Tree Climbers, and Boys' Brigade! Plus child care, if you are attending a class. To make check-in easier, please register ahead of time. For more information or to register, visit gracepres.org/children.

ADULTS

Worldview Weekend Bible Study

Sundays, 6-8 PM — Front Porch

New study begins with David Jeremiah's *Seven Churches of Revelation*. Schedule is in kiosk in lower level.

Watchman Prayer Ministry

This is the time to renew your one year commitment to an hour of prayer as a watchman, select a new time, or join us for the first time in this ministry. Visit the table in the Atrium today or email Mary Jane at crowellm@mtco.com.

His Alone Fellowship

Friday, September 16, 12 PM

Lariat Club, 2232 W. Glen Ave., Peoria

Join us for lunch! All women who are His Alone (widowed, divorced, or never married) are invited to attend. Questions? Call Joy Moore at 309.713.3918.

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 Varness. Refreshments will be served. Contact Carol Learned at 309.231.0401 for more information.

WPEO 15th Annual Bible Drive

Month of September

Love Packages recycles and sends materials to those who hunger for God's Word around the world! This month donations of Bibles, CD's and DVD's, Sunday school supplies, and other Christian materials can be dropped off at any entrance 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

13 *Tuesday Bible Studies for Women Begins*

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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Midweek Grace Meal Menu

Includes entree, salad bar, dessert, and drink.

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

Entree this week: Oven roasted chicken, vegetable, rolls, butter.

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

Wednesday, September 14, 6:30 - 8 PM

We kick off our Midweek youth ministry!

Teen Choir Rehearsal Begin

Tonight, 6 - 7 PM — Chapel

All 7th - 12th graders are invited to join our Teen Choir! Email Rhonda Anderson with questions at anderson@gracepres.org.

YOUNG ADULTS

YAMS Sunday Night Life

Mission Possible "Love God"

Tonight, 5 PM — Sr. High Room

Join us to refocus and move forward as we unpack our mission statement as a community.

Volleyball

Thursday, 6 PM — Gym

Come and play!

MEN

Ministry to Men Bible Study

Wednesdays, 6:30 AM — Front Porch

WOMEN

MOPS@gracepres

Tuesdays, 9:30 AM — Atrium

For every mom.

Fall Bible Studies

Tuesdays, 9:30 AM — Various Rooms

Brochures are available in the Atrium.

MIDWEEK GRACE

Midweek Grace Meal

Wednesdays, 5:15 PM

A meal is available to purchase.

Midweek Grace Activities

Wednesdays, 6:30 PM

Join us for classes and activities for all ages.



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

"A Better Hero"

Jon Nielson

2 Samuel 11

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BENEDICTION

STEWARDSHIP/GIVING UPDATE AS OF AUGUST 28, 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)
\$2,852,000	\$2,773,074	(\$78,926)

Missions Giving (10% of Church Ministries Donations)

What We Planned	What We Set Aside	Ahead/(Behind)
\$285,200	\$277,308	(\$7,892)

(Additional Missions Offerings)

What We Planned	What We Gave	Ahead/(Behind)
\$155,184	\$144,692	(\$10,492)

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

Kendall Stark - August 28, 2016. Father of John and Paul (Ann) Stark.

John Gale - August 29, 2016. Husband of Judy, father of Frank and Tom Gale, step-father of Deanna Monk and Judy Swanke, and brother of Kathella Hachez and Fred Gale.

Robert Hahn - September 3, 2016. Husband of Pat, father of Jill Tursam, Tod Hahn and Mardi Mitchell.

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MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT

Norman and Gwen Bowman —
Global Outreach International



Norman and Gwen have served in Barcelona, Spain since 1982. They have led and taught worship, music, and prayer at Bible colleges, youth retreats, and leadership seminars in Spain, Ukraine, and Romania. They mentor leaders who start churches, youth ministries, and prayer initiatives. Their gifting, calling, and passion is to communicate the Gospel effectively to the post-modern and multicultural peoples of Spain. 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.

