



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"** on Sunday, January 8, after both services to meet our pastors and learn about our church! A meal is provided.
- Go deeper at **"Discover Grace."** Next class is January 15 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

A Special Thank You

Friends Visiting would like to thank all who baked cookies, brought them to church and helped deliver them to shut-ins! There was an abundance of cookies this year and we were able to fill over 125 boxes. It is such a blessing to be able to visit and encourage those who can't be with us on Sunday mornings.

Living in Grace Conference — January 20-22, 2017

Join guest speakers Zac Hicks, Bryan Chapell, and Kevin King for this profound conference, "Worship Worth Seeking." Know and enjoy the preeminence of Christ and learn to live a lifestyle of Spirit-filled, kingdom-advancing worship. Registration is open at gracepres.org/LIG17.

End-of-Year Giving

Thanks to all who faithfully and prayerfully offer end-of-year gifts to God's work here at Grace. Your expression of generosity is tangible evidence of Gracious Humility, one of our four values. Any cash or check donations that you wish to have included on your 2016 Giving Statement must be received in the church office by 5 PM on Friday, December 30. If mailed, they must be postmarked by December 31. Donations received after that time must be credited to your 2017 giving.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Services

The whole family will worship together in the Worship Center for our family friendly Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services. There will not be separate children's classes or child care.

Our Snowbirds are Flying Away!

Many of our Children's Ministry Volunteers head to warmer climates for the winter, creating vacancies within our ministry teams. If you are able to serve at least once during the winter months, please contact Elizabeth Pullen at epullen@gracepres.org for more information.

ADULTS

Family Christmas Caroling

Wednesday, December 21, 6 — 8 PM

Bless special needs adults at the EPIC residential homes this Christmas season by sharing God's saving message in song. We will meet by the church Lounge at 5:45 PM before departing in vans. Contact Pastor Kerry at kfrantz@gracepres.org.

First Friday Game Night

Friday, January 6, 7 PM — Front Porch

Grab a board game and head on over for a night with the girls. There's always laughter when we play together! Bring a snack to share. All women are invited! Questions? salkire@gracepres.org

Grace Women's Fellowship Lunch with Pastor Bryan

Tuesday, January 17, 12:30 PM — Front Porch

All women are invited to join us for lunch with Pastor Bryan. Please bring \$3 donation towards the cost of the meal. For more information, please contact Carol Learned at 309.231.0401.

Men of Grace Iron Sharpens Iron Conference

Saturday, February 18, 2017 — O'Fallon, IL

Pastor Chapell and Jonathan Evans (former NFL fullback, Dr. Tony Evans' son, and Dallas Cowboys chaplain) will provide keynote addresses at this equipping conference (rpmfm.org/ofallon). Reserve the date! Additional registration information coming soon.

UPCOMING EVENTS

December

23 Church Office Closed

24 Christmas Eve Services
4 PM and 6 PM

25 Christmas Service 10 AM
No Sunday School

26 Church Office Closed

MEDIA

Grace Alive!

Sundays

WEEK-TV 25 — 9 AM

WBNH-FM 88.5 — 9 AM

Live Stream

media.gracepres.org — 11 AM

Unlimited Grace Radio

Weekdays

WPEO-AM 1020 — 8:30 AM

WPEO-FM 97.7 — 8:30 AM & PM

WPEO-FM 103.9 — 8:30 AM & PM

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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

No Gathering tonight.

Volleyball

Thursday, 6 PM — Gym

Grace Grad Brunch

Today, 9:45 AM

Room 015-A College Sunday School

2012-2016 Grace Grads are invited to a Christmas Breakfast. This will be a time of food, fun, and fellowship. Come reminisce and reconnect.

MEN

Ministry to Men Bible Study

Wednesdays, 6:30 AM — Front Porch

WOMEN

MOPS@grace

Tuesdays, 9:30 AM, Resuming January 17

Wednesdays, 6:30 PM, Resuming

January 11

Bible Studies

Tuesdays, 9:30 AM, Resuming January 17

Wednesdays, 6:30 PM, Resuming

January 11

MIDWEEK GRACE

Midweek Grace activities resume

January 11.



DECEMBER 18

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS OF ADORATION
AND CONFESSION

PRAYER OF ASSURANCE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

OFFERING OF THANKSGIVING

GRACE FROM GOD'S WORD

"Angel Glory, Jesus' Story"

Pastor Bryan Chapell

Luke 2:8-14

Page 857 in the Grace Bible

BLESSING FOR GOD'S MISSION

STEWARDSHIP/GIVING UPDATE AS OF DECEMBER 4, 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)
\$578,000	\$558,481	(\$19,519)

Missions Giving (10% of Church Ministries Donations)

What We Planned	What We Set Aside	Ahead/(Behind)
\$57,800	\$55,848	(\$1,952)

(Additional Missions Offerings)

What We Planned	What We Gave	Ahead/(Behind)
\$32,338	\$27,573	(\$4,765)

Monthly Mortgage Update

As of November 1	As of December 1	Amount Reduced
\$2,762,000	\$2,732,000	\$30,000

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!

MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT

Pablo and Rosa Gallego — Evangelism International



The Gallegos have been dedicated to the ministry of planting a new church in the north central part of the city of Malaga, Spain, where there are no evangelical churches. They are also serving and loving their community by participating on the school board and by organizing family activities for the school. 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.

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