

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Potluck today, stay and have lunch in the gym.

Welcome to 2025!

The evening of January 19th we will have a baptism service

Church Camp June 16th - 20th

Men's Retreat March 27, 28, 29th

More to come!

## Here are some interesting facts about the Bible:

The Bible was written by more than 40 authors over a period of more than 1,500 years.

It was written in three languages and on three continents. The Bible is about 611,000 words long and contains at least 185 songs, with about 150 of them in the book of Psalms. Also, only 93 women speak in the Bible.

## CHURCH SERVICES

### Sunday

Prayer at 9:00am

Sunday School at 9:30 - 10:15am

\*Snack & Drink Intermission

Worship at 10:30am

Children's Church at 11:15am

Sermon at 11:15am - 12:00pm

Prayer Meeting at 5:00 - 6:00pm

Youth Group at 5:00 - 6:00pm

### Wednesday

Prayer at 6:30pm

Bible study at 7:00 - 8:00pm

### Friday

Lady's Meeting at 9:30 - 11:30am

### Weekly Prayer

\*Prayer meeting held every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday evening 4:30 - 5:30pm\*

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January 5, 2025

## Welcome to GRACE TABERNACLE

Church in Safford AZ.



They said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, . . . so that we may make a name for ourselves.”  
Genesis 11:4

In Genesis 11, we encounter a major building construction project. “Let us build ourselves a city,” said the people, “with a tower that reaches to the heavens” (v. 4). A big problem with this effort was that the people did it to “make a name for ourselves” (v. 4).

This has been a recurring issue for humans; we build monuments to ourselves and our achievements. Later in the biblical narrative, this story is contrasted with Solomon's motivation for building God's temple: "I intend, therefore, to build a temple for the Name of the Lord my God" (1 Kings 5:5).

Solomon understood that what he built needed to point to God and not himself. This was such an important lesson that he even wrote a psalm about it. Psalm 127 opens with “unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain” (v. 1). Like my childhood fort-building, what we build will not last, but God’s name and what we do for Him has lasting significance.



# Isaiah 26:3

[illegible]

In one God eternally existing in three persons;  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
(John 14:10,16,18,26)

Jesus was crucified, buried and raised from the dead: He ascended into heaven, lives today at the right hand of the Father as our intercessor, and is coming again to receive unto Himself those who are looking for him. (Acts 4:10, Heb. 1:3; 7:25; 9:28)

All who believe Jesus died on the cross for their sins and was resurrected from the dead, when they repent and confess with their mouth Jesus as Savior, are born into God's family as sons of God.  
(Acts 3:19; Romans 10:9-10)

In the exercise of the gifts of the spirit that all  
may be edified.  
(1 Corinthians 12:7–11; 14:12)

In observing the ordinances of water baptism by immersion, the Lord's supper, and men having their heads uncovered and women having their heads covered when praying or prophesying.  
(Acts 16:33; Matthew 3:16;  
1 Corinthians 11:1-26)

In the bodily resurrection; eternal life for the believer, and eternal punishment for the unbeliever.  
(John 5:28)