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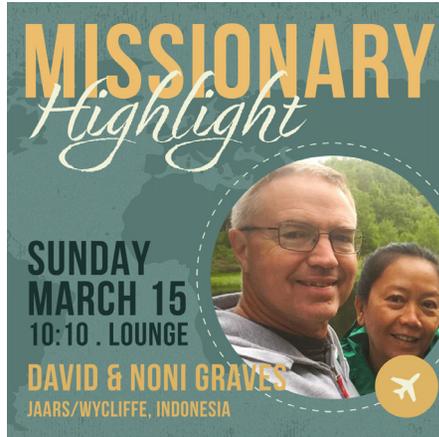
Come to our next planning meeting for Outreach Camp. All are invited! Scan the QR for info:



Order your hanging baskets for spring at the Welcome Center or follow the QR code. They'll be here in time for Mother's Day!



Registration is OPEN! Scan the QR code to learn more about our program and contact Becca.



Learn about the Graves' work in Indonesia. This Sunday at 10:10a in the lounge. All are welcome to attend.



SAVE THE DATES:

- Palm Sunday - March 29 - Worship 9a & 11a
- Maundy Thursday - April 2 - Worship w/ Communion 7p
- Good Friday Reflection - Sanctuary open from 12n to 1p for prayer & reflection
- Easter Sunday - Services at 6:30a, 9a, 11a



Grace of Christ Church

To Love Jesus, Love our City, Together in Community - March 15, 2026



WELCOME TO GRACE!

Greetings Friends in Christ!

Oh boy, this is a spicy text we're talking about today. Not only does Peter get Jesus right, he also fundamentally misunderstands his own tradition in ways I think we see Christianity misunderstood in our time as well.

Peter gives the confession that establishes the foundation of the church: that Jesus is the Messiah. Then he tells Jesus he can't go to die at the hands of the nations... kind of defeats the whole purpose of the Messiah thing. Peter is the most right and the most wrong, even confusing the mission of God with the mission of Satan.

The question for us is who do we say Jesus is? Do we get him right? How are we tempted to get him wrong today?

Rev. Dr. Gregory Wagenfuhr

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9am - Contemporary Worship

9:15am - Kids & Youth dismissed to their classes

11am - Traditional Worship - Choir & Organ

Childcare available on the main floor across from the office

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Lead Pastor - Rev Dr Gregory Wagenfuhr

Kids & Families - Sarah Huck | Youth & Young Adults - Kara Candid

Portrait of an Ambassador: Peter's Confession, Commission, and Correction

Rev Dr Gregory Wagenfuhr

Scripture: Daniel 7:13-14, Matthew 16:13-23

Study Questions

Foundation 1: Peter Confesses the Son of Man

Have you ever heard of Jesus in light of Daniel 7? The "Son of Man" is a figure connected to Psalm 2, Psalm 110, and many other places that involve the Messiah conquering the nations. How will God demonstrate his dominion and subjugate all of the nations through Jesus? How have you understood the kingship of Jesus?

Foundation 2: Peter is Commissioned as the Foundation

Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of Man, the inheritor of an everlasting kingdom. This is the foundational truth on which the church will be built. How is the kingdom of God connected to the church? And how does your connection to the church connect with this foundation? Has this been a foundational piece of your confession of Jesus?

Foundation 3: Peter is Corrected for Playing the World's Game

Once the disciples understood who Jesus is, his next job was to tell them why he had to die. Peter understandably thought that would undermine the whole Messiah thing. What was Peter's misunderstanding or misreading of Daniel 7, or Psalms 2, 110? Remember that Satan tempted Jesus with exactly this... (hint, think of image, character, and method)!

Implication (So What?):

The foundation of the church has to be understood rightly or it turns into a beast!

What common misunderstandings of the church and the world do you see in our time? How might Satan be behind these misunderstandings or temptations?

Application (Now What?):

What is your foundational understanding of Jesus? Who do you say Jesus is?

Who is Jesus to you? How does that impact your relationship with the world?

Prayer

Jesus' prayer taught his disciples to pray that God's will would be done on earth as in heaven, the very thing we see Jesus empower Peter with (the keys). Let us pray that the keys Jesus entrusted to his church would indeed reconcile the earth to heaven through us! And let us pray that God would show us one particular person or way we might do that this week.

UPCOMING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION UPDATE FROM THE GRAVES - TODAY AT 10:10

Join David and Noni Graves in the Lounge at 10:10am today to learn about how God is at work in Indonesia.

MEMORIAL FOR KATHY DAVIS - MAR 21

We pray for the family of Kathy Davis who passed away in February. Her memorial service will be next Saturday, March 21 at 11am in the Sanctuary.

KIDS SING PALM SUNDAY - MAR 29

We will have a rehearsal in the Sanctuary on Saturday, March 28 at 5pm for those who can make it. On Sunday, March 29 kids will sing at the end of the 9am service. After singing, kids and their families are invited back upstairs for breakfast in the classrooms!

COOKIES FOR SUNDAY

We are grateful for everyone who contributes cookies for our fellowship time on Sundays. If your last name starts with G-N, please bring cookies to the Fireside Kitchen before the 9am or 11am service, or drop them off during the week to the main office.

NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY AVAILABLE

Church Photo Directories are available for purchase at the Welcome Center or in the main office. Recommended donation of \$4 to cover the costs of printing.

DID YOU KNOW?

NEED WIFI?

Network: Guest Wifi PW: JesusLovesMe!

VISITING TODAY?



Follow the QR Code to find out more about what to expect on a Sunday morning.

You will also find info about our Sunday programs for children and teens, as well as how to connect to who we are as a church.

CONNECT CARD



We are glad you're here! Help us connect with you. Scan the code or fill out a card in the pew racks.

NEED PRAYER?

Our team is available after each service by the piano to pray and connect with you.

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