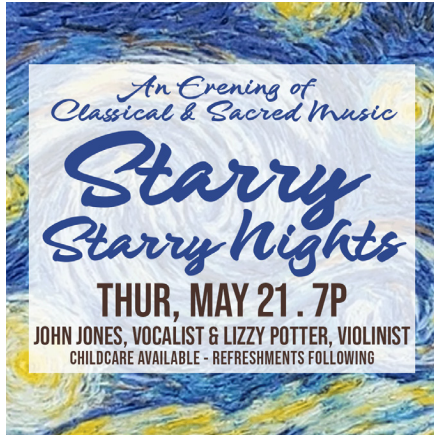


# Connect with Grace

More special events, ongoing programs, Connect Card, and more can be found on our website: yakimagrace.com or on the Yakima Grace App.



Come for an evening of sacred and classical music. Refreshments following the concert. Childcare available.



Kick off summer with 4 weeks of fun! Each week can be found under June events by scanning the QR:



Get your ticket to Bingo online or in the Garden Room! Help send our youth on their 2027 mission trip.



Help us send kids from Adams, Hoover & OnFire to Outreach Camp in June! Scan the QR to give safely online.



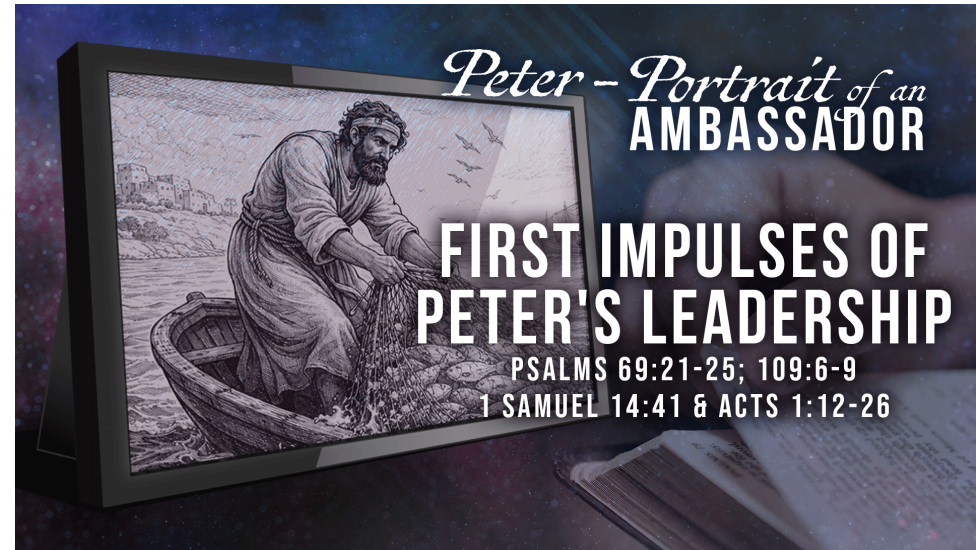
## New to QR Codes? Give it a try!

1. Open the camera on your smartphone.
2. Point at the QR Code and hold your phone steady so the code fits on the screen.
3. Tap the message or link that appears to open. You do NOT need to take a picture.



# Grace of Christ Church

To Love Jesus, Love our City, Together in Community - May 17, 2026



## WELCOME TO GRACE!

Peter's first act of leadership after Jesus departs is to choose a replacement for Judas Iscariot. What is fascinating about choosing Matthias as the new 12th disciple is that we get a clear insight into the decision making patterns of Peter and the others. They flip a coin. They use the Bible in ways that seem a little odd to us. And all this will reveal a core truth: they are living the story they are telling, practicing the music they are playing.

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

## CONNECT WITH US

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Lead Pastor - Rev Dr Gregory Wagenfuhr

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

# PORTRAITS OF AMBASSADORS

## “First Impulses of Peter’s Leadership”

Scripture: Psalms 69:21-25; 109:6-9 | 1 Samuel 14:41 | Acts 1:12-26

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### STUDY QUESTIONS

#### Introduction: The Sound of Truth

#### Foundation 1: Fulfillment Concludes a Theme

1. Peter thinks that Judas fulfills at least what specific sentences of Psalms 69 and 109 say. What does he mean by “fulfill”? Does Peter think these Psalms were written hundreds of years prior specifically about Jesus and Judas’ relationship, or is something else going on?

#### Foundation 2: Curating the Story We’re Telling

2. Peter thinks they have to have 12 main disciples. Why? Why not 11 or 13 or some other number? What are the Apostles trying to do with the story they are living?

#### Foundation 3: Peter Flips a Coin

3. Peter casts lots, rolls the dice, flips a coin... Whatever the exact mechanism, this is a practice we’d call “divination” or discerning the will of God or the gods through symbols of seeming randomness. What ways do people today try to discern God’s will?

#### Implication (So what?):

##### The Apostles’ leadership and use of the Bible reveal their beliefs

4. What kinds of things does Peter believe about the Bible and about how God’s will is to be known? And what does that show about his wider beliefs about the gospel?

##### Application (Now What?): The way we use the Bible shows what we believe. Faithful interpretation comes from those who practice the music.

5. What ways do you see people using the Bible and what does that suggest about what they believe? How about you?

6. How could we live the story we are telling in our own time?

7. What song are we playing and who is conducting? In other words, are we playing the Bible like an instrument in some larger orchestra... or are we diverse instruments playing the song of Scripture?

### SERMON PRAYER

Let us pray that we would be attuned to the song of Scripture, to live the story it is telling, so that as we are sent out as ambassadors, the world would hear the beauty of the good news of Jesus in our lives.

# UPCOMING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR STAN SCHMICK

We pray for the family of Stan Schmick, who passed away on April 4. His Celebration of Life service will be this Saturday, May 23 at 11am in the Sanctuary.

### YOUTH BAKE SALE - LAST SUNDAY TO GET TREATS!

Stop by the youth table in the Garden Room after both services to get a sweet treat! All proceeds send our youth to summer camp. This is our last Sunday, so don’t miss out!

### DONATIONS FOR FULLER CENTER BIKE RIDE

On June 1, we are hosting the Fuller Center Adventure Ride, a faith-based group of bike riders raising money and awareness for affordable housing across the US. We are seeking donations of gatorade, bottled water, granola or protein bars, trail mix, and beef jerky by May 27. Donations can be brought to the Welcome Center or office. Thank you!

### SUMMER CHURCH HOURS

Starting June 8, the church building will close at 6pm Monday through Thursday, and the building will be closed on Fridays. We will begin our Fall Schedule on Sept 2.

### COOKIES FOR SUNDAY

If your last name starts with G-N, please bring cookies next week to the Fireside Kitchen before the 9am or 11am service, or drop them off during the week to the main office.

SABBATH GOSPEL Pastor Gregory’s latest book is now available at Inklings!

## WE’RE GLAD YOU’RE HERE!

### 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.

### YAKIMA GRACE APP

VIEW the church calendar  
WATCH Sunday services  
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OR

### WAYS TO GIVE

Drop your offering in the offering plate or the secure box after the service.

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Give safely on our website:  
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yakimagrace.com/give

