

## NEW TO GC?

Stop by the Guest Connection Desk today after our worship assembly. We'd love to meet you!

## WELCOME!

Good morning, GC family, and welcome to Small Group Celebration Sunday!

A friend of mine, Doug Lucas—who leads Team Expansion, a mission agency—recently told me that groups are the lifeblood of both discipleship and disciple-making. A few years ago, I would have readily agreed with the first half of his statement, but would likely have paused to contemplate the second. Discipleship is what happens when we, who are already following Jesus, encourage each other, challenge each other, and call each other to deeper faithfulness. Disciple-making is what happens when God uses us to lead someone to make the choice to follow Jesus, and then we guide them down a path that leads to genuine discipleship.

Small Groups are powerful vehicles for both. Again, the first we'd likely all acknowledge, but I believe my friend Doug is on to something. This year we want to challenge you and the other members of your GC SG to see yourselves as a disciple-making team. What would it look like if you all decided to go on mission together to reach our community? That's what we hope you will be contemplating. So, yes! We want you to GROW together. And just as much, we want you to GO together.

Let's be disciples, who make disciples, GC family!

Blessings,  
Paul



## TODAY



**gc** small groups  
**CELEBRATION**

- 9:30** Worship Gathering
- 10:45** Kids SG Celebration & Adult SG connection time
- 11:30** Pick Up Kids & Grab Lunch
- 12:15** Bounce Houses & Games
- 2:00** Wrap Up

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Welcome

Ben Patterson

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah  
No Other Gods  
Here We Are

## Communion

Keith Thomas

Exalted

## Offering

Keith Thomas

## Kids Dismissal

Ben Patterson

The Spacious Firmament on High  
Let Us Adore

**Message: In the Beginning**  
*The Way Back • Part 1 of 4*

Paul Huyghebaert

We Bow Down

## Next Steps

Ben Patterson

## Sending Prayer

Keith Thomas

## PRAYER SPOTLIGHT

"Let the assembled peoples gather around you. Rule over them from on high; Let the LORD judge the peoples. Judge me, O LORD, according to my righteousness, according to my integrity, O Most High, O righteous God, who searches minds and hearts, bring to an end the violence of the wicked and make the righteous secure." (Psalm 7:7-9)

Heavenly Father, we trust you because you are faithful in all that you promise; you are able to bring peace and you are strong in judgment. Today, we trust that your judgment will come soon against the violence in our streets and in our schools, and with it comes peace and something learned. May all our people know that there is a God in heaven and that You are our Protector, our Teacher, our Pastor and our Savior. In Jesus; name, amen.

### HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

[gracechapelchurch.com/prayerrequests](http://gracechapelchurch.com/prayerrequests)



**AWESOME ARTIST:** God made everything, but people are God's most wonderful creation because we are the only creation made in God's very own image. God made us to think and figure

things out, to create and invent, and to help others—just like God. We want preschoolers to know that they are wonderfully made because of WHO made them—THE awesome artist—God!

**REMEMBER THIS:** "I am fearfully and wonderfully made." (Psalm 139:14 NIV)



**EPIC:** Since the beginning of time, God's love has always been on display. From Genesis to Revelation, God inspired writers of Scripture, whose works come together to tell God's Big

Story. But God's love isn't just about what happened in history. God loves US today! God loved us enough to send Jesus for us. In response, we can show how much we love God by loving others...and showing people how much they matter to us.

**REMEMBER THIS:** "Here is what love is. It is not that we loved God. It is that He loved us and sent His Son to give His life to pay for our sins." (1 John 4:10 NIV)



## YOUTH NIGHT

Sundays, 5-9 p.m., GC Youth Room

For anyone in 6th-12th grades to explore how to follow Jesus and to connect with others in a safe, fun environment.

Join us for Youth Night tonight as we celebrate our Small Groups and kick off a new ministry year!



Summer Celebration 2022!

## UPCOMING YOUTH NIGHT SCHEDULE

TONIGHT: Youth Night, 5-8 p.m.

For more details on upcoming events, see the GC Youth calendar online or in the GC app.



## STAY CONNECTED

Text your code to 81010:

**GC Youth Parents:** @gcymparents  
**Middle School Students:** @gcymms  
**High School Students:** @gcymhs

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## SERVICES

Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

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## LAST WEEK (7/31/22)

On-site Attendance 340

YTD Contributions \$735,846