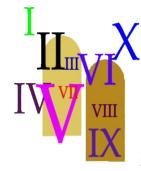
Grace Community Christian Reformed Church

OUR VISION: Grace Community Church believes we are called by God to grow His kingdom.

OUR MISSION: We strive to spread the gospel, minister to needs, help people

grow their relationship with God, and foster authentic, grace-filled

ANNOUNCEMENTS — AUGUST 24, 2025



Our current sermon series: "Jesus Teaches the Law" includes sermon messages based on "Love for God" and "Love for Neighbors". Our theme song is: The Greatest Commandment by Paul Zach.

You can listen to the song on YouTube: www.youtube.com/watch?v=pEIUWTNsYXU

August 24 Matthew 15:19, 5:28 ..do not covet..

<u>August 31</u> Matthew 11:28-30

Offering 8/24 — Christian Education Fund: Schools are back in session and our Christian Education fund is needed once again. Please prayerfully consider your gift to this fund to help our church families provide a Christcentered education for their children.

Offering 8/31 – CRCNA Ministry Shares: The vast majority of every dollar of ministry shares goes directly to ministry programs that start new churches, train servant leaders, support chaplains, resource congregations, and reach out to our neighbors through media and evangelism.

Copies of the Order of Worship are available on the tables at the back of the sanctuary or pull it up on your phone/ tablet from the Grace Church website: www.gccrc.org.

We invite YOU to join us in a time of prayer at the front of the sanctuary (or pray from where you are sitting) before each service! Every Sunday, about 9:45am, our concerns, thanks, and praise are lifted up to God. You don't need to pray out loud—God hears the prayers of our hearts. What matters is that we pray!

Secretary Vacation: The secretary is on vacation August 18-31. Please send all bulletin information, no later than the Wednesday before publication, to Diane Ritzema at: diane.ritzema@sbcqlobal.net.

We welcome Mary Kok, who will speak to us briefly at the end of our worship service. The Kok family are providing cake for our coffee time, as we celebrate and remember the life of Jean Kok.

Our Prayer Room is open after the service. A prayer partner will be happy to pray with you, or for you, or you may pray alone. The Prayer Room is on the southeast side of the foyer, look for the sign on the wall.



- Please keep **Lynn Wilson** in your prayers. She was in the hospital this past week, but is home again. Please pray for Lynn and Jei as they meet with the oncologist to determine treatment for her lung cancer. May God grant her healing, and give peace to the family.
- **We Continue to Pray for** those serving in the military and their families, health care workers, first responders, and all those in continuing care or homebound, including: Ray Ismail, Pam Johnson, Warren and Ruth Kuipers, Ray Peterson Jr., Evelyn Van Dellen, Rich VandenBout, and Jeannette Veen.

The Prayer Team has put yellow index cards in the pews. They invite you to write prayer requests on them during the worship service. *These may be anonymous if you wish*. At the end of the service, place the cards in the wooden boxes on either side of the middle aisle doors as you leave the sanctuary. Our prayer partners will take them and pray for them. "*Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.*" Romans 12:12

Coffee Break Women's Bible Study will begin a new season on September 16. Watch for details....



Prayer for our Church: Heavenly Father, we often look at the possessions of others. We see what they have, and we want it. This even applies to us as a church. Sometimes we are jealous of other churches. Forgive us, Lord. Remove envy and jealousy from us. Help us to trust in the knowledge that You have placed us in this

place at this time, and that You are using us for Your purposes here on earth. Help us to be content in all circumstances. May we love You above all, and our neighbors as we love ourselves. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Our Deacon's Pantry supports those in our congregation who are in need of help with non-food items. Currently we are low on some items. Can you help? We need: toilet paper, hand lotion, dishwasher pods, dryer sheets, body wash, napkins, and Kleenex.

Your giving hearts strengthen the bonds within our church community and uplift everyone! *Thank you for your support!*