

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 relationships.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – April 5, 2026 – Easter Sunday



EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 5

10:00am Service
Matthew 28:1-10

April 12
“Unbelieving Thomas”
John 20:19-31

We invite **YOU** to join us in a time of prayer at the front of the sanctuary (*or pray 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!*

Copies of the Order of Worship are available on the tables at the back of the sanctuary or pull it up on your device from our website:
https://www.gccrc.org/order_of_worship

This morning we celebrate the sacrament of communion. It is by sheer grace that Christ welcomes us to himself and his table. All who are baptized in Christ and trust in him as our risen savior are welcome to celebrate with us.



Join us in the Fellowship Hall after the service for 'Tables of Grace' conversations. A time to share our joys and concerns, and care for each other in prayer. Use the main hallway as you exit the sanctuary.

Offering April 5-19—General Operating Fund: Your gift will help to show our love and care for each other and our community through ministry opportunities. It also provides the means to care for our church property and staff.

Additional Special Offering April 5—ReFrame Ministries/TODAY Booklet: ReFrame is celebrating 75 years of faithfulness to the print and digital version of the TODAY devotional. Relying on the guidance of the Holy Spirit, they create contextual media resources that proclaim the gospel, disciple believers, and strengthen the church throughout the world in 10 major languages.

POTLUCK—April 12: Sign up TODAY on the poster in the foyer for the next potluck! Bring a main dish, side dish, salad or dessert. *Hope to see you there!*

Prayer for our Church: Jesus, our Risen Savior, we worship You! May we live in the joy of Your resurrection. Give us eyes to see You working through us. Overwhelm us with Your wisdom and grace. May we always give You all the glory, honor and praise! Amen.



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, Ruth Kuipers, Ray Peterson Jr., Evelyn Van Dellen, Rich VandenBout, and Jeannette Veen.

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Next meeting is April 24, 6-8pm. Kids ages 5-5th grade are invited to come for a night of Bible lesson, worship, singing, games and more! Invite a friend and join the fun!

The Prayer Team has placed yellow index cards in the pews and invite you to write prayer requests on them during the worship service. *They 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 pray for them. *"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."* Romans 12:12



Our Deacon's Pantry has been well-used and is in need of some restocking. If you can help we could use the following items: Any size bandages; dish detergent; dishwasher pods; body wash; baby wipes; and 4 or 6 roll packages of toilet paper (or individually wrapped rolls). *Thank you for blessing our friends in need!*

Community News

Easter Bingo—April 8, 2-3:30pm at the **Community Center of Victorian Village** (14303 S. Independence Way, Homer Glen, IL 60491). RSVP by April 6 to secure your spot. Call Corin at: 708-645-2199.

The Seniors of Palos Heights CRC invite you to "Recalling the Legend of Lucy" on April 9-10:30am. Historian and actress Leslie Goddard brings Lucy to life in this historical portrayal from the "I Love Lucy" series. Join us in our fellowship room at 7019 W. 127th St. RSVP required: email Carol (coverzet@icloud) or Marion (marriykstra@comcast.net) by April 6. A free will donation would be appreciated. Coffee, tea, water, and cookies will be provided.

Elim's Bubble Run 5k—Saturday, May 2! Bring your bubble wands for this year's bubble-themed 5k, an unofficially timed fun run to support our students and clients. Register today: www.elimcs.org/5k for \$30. Registration covers your fee, a t-shirt, and a raffle ticket. Contact Kayla with any questions: kayla.hoehn@elimcs.org