

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 — JULY 6, 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

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 Sunday service at 9:45am. Our concerns, thanks, and praise will be 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!*



Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper. We welcome all who confess Jesus as the Savior from their sin and who desire to follow him as his disciple to join in this celebration.

Offering 7/6-20 — General Operating Fund: Your gift provides our church with the opportunity to show our love and care to our church family and our surrounding community through our ministry programs. This fund also gives us the means to maintain our church property and compensate staff.

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.

Our next **Sunday Potluck** is coming up on **July 13. Sign up TODAY** on the poster in the foyer to bring a main dish, side dish, salad, or dessert.

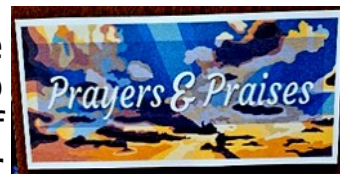
You are invited to join Tuesday Coffee Break to make no-sew fleece blankets on Tuesday, July 8, from 9-11am. We have enough fleece—we just need the willing hands to cut fabric or tie knots. *We hope you can join us!*

Please keep Council member Pedro Kialanda in your prayers as he attends a special meeting of Classis Chicago South on July 8.



• **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, Jean Kok, Ray Peterson Jr., Evelyn Van Dellen, Rich VandenBout, and Jeannette Veen.

The Prayer Team has yellow index cards in the pews. We 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 these 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



Summer Reading Program is extended thru July! Adults & children may read as many or as few books as you would like and log them into the Book Log in the church library. Books can be from any library, purchased, or borrowed from a friend. A prize for participating will be given at the end of summer.

Stop by the Prayer Room after the service. Pray with a prayer partner, or pray alone. The Prayer Room is located on the southeast side of the foyer.

Prayer for our Church: Lord God, You call us to be people of truth. Help us to speak with honesty and integrity in all we say. Let our words reflect Your character—pure, trustworthy, and faithful. Teach us to speak with humility, and to let our "yes" be yes and our "no" be no. May our words always bring You glory. In Jesus' name, Amen.



On **August 10** Grace Church will have a **20th Anniversary Celebration!** Watch for details in future bulletins!

A New Fiscal Budget Year has begun with a budget that was passed at the congregational meeting last Sunday. Tithing envelopes for the new budget year have been distributed. If you did not receive yours, or would like to receive them, please contact Barb in the church office: 708-636-2848 or gracechurch@gccrc.org.

Community News

The family of Grace Church and their friends are invited to join with **Illinois Operation Lifesaver** on **Sat., July 26** for an evening of baseball with the **Windy City Thunderbolts** at **Ozinga Field in Crestwood**. (see details on the bulletin board flyer in the main hallway). Contact Joyce Phillips (708-805-5795) for complimentary tickets.

