

# WELCOME

Thanks for visiting Grace Chapel. We hope you find this place welcoming and filled with excitement about what God is doing here. If we can help you, please don't hesitate to ask. Welcome home!

# IN EACH SERVICE

**KIDS AND YOUTH**: Age-appropriate classes are available for kids, birth – 5<sup>th</sup> grade, during both services. Junior High and High School students meet at 9 AM in the south building. Guest Services will show you the way to your kid's class. We will make sure your kids are safe and cared for while they are here.

**CONNECT CARD:** There are many ways to connect at Grace. The Connect Card is our primary way of ensuring that you are cared for and pluggedin to our community. Simply fill out a Connect Card and drop it in the boxes as you leave today. One of our leaders will contact you during the week. **PRAYER:** If you need prayer, you can share that need confidentially with men and women available at the front of the Worship Center after each service. You may also share your need by filling out the Connect Card. Drop your card in one of the boxes as you leave today.

**GIVING:** Grace Chapel is using Pushpay to make online gifts easier. Simply text "gracechapel" to 77977 or visit our website at **GraceChapel.org/Give** and choose the "give now" button to set up giving.

**GRACE CHAPEL APP:** Download our church app for your Apple or Android device! You can listen to past sermons, follow along with the sermon notes, register for events, give, read the bulletin, and more! Just go to the app store on your device and search for "Grace Chapel Denver!"

#### HOW TO MAKE GRACE CHAPEL YOUR HOME

ATTEND	Come to an event where you meet others.
CONNECT	Find a group to join and foster meaningful relationships.
SERVE	Use your talents and time to help others and further our mission.
BELONG	Become a vital part of our family by leading, giving, and praying.



#### INVITE YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

Pick up ornament invitations on the trees in the Upper Lobby Hub or the Lower Lobby for your family and friends to hang on their trees!

#### GraceChapel.org/Christmas



#### DONATIONS ARE NEEDED

We are collecting canned green beans, corn, and yams for this outreach. Bring your donations to the Upper Lobby Hub by Sunday, December 16.

## **CHRISTMAS AT GRACE**

#### DECEMBER 23 · OPEN HOUSE AT 9 AM WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:45 AM

On Sunday, December 23, we will have an allchurch open house at 9:00 AM with fun activities for the kids including face painting, crafts, cookie decorating, and more. We will have a carol sing at 10:00 AM followed by our regular 10:45 AM worship service. Kids' programming will be available at 10:45 AM for birth – 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Adult Sunday communities and youth will not meet.

#### CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES MONDAY, DECEMBER 24 · 3 AND 5 PM

Join us on Christmas Eve as we celebrate the birth of Christ! This **will be different** from the December 23 service. Childcare will be available for ages 3 and under.

GraceChapel.org/Christmas

## FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

#### SUNDAYS • JAN 6 - MAR 10 • 10:45 AM

It's no fun living paycheck-to-paycheck. FPU is here to help you start enjoying your money. In only nine weeks, you'll learn biblical steps to get from where you are to where God wants you to be. Learn how to get rid of debt and wise ways to spend and save to change your financial future. Kits are approximately \$100, but don't let that keep you from getting out of debt. Contact Blake Lehr for scholarship information at bslehr@gmail.com. Register on our website.

#### GraceChapel.org/FPU

## PARENTING CLASS

#### PARENTING YOUNG CHILDREN · JAN 6 – FEB 3 9 AM · ROOM 511

Step 2 in our Milestones pathway is for parents of 3–9 year olds. Dr. Ron Brenning and his wife, Karen, will talk about how to grow your relationship with your child. We want to help you plant the seeds of biblical truth and lead your child to Christ.

Email RBrenning@GraceChapel.org

## **PRAYER AND WORSHIP**

#### THURSDAY · JAN 3 · 6:30-8 PM

Bring your Bibles and join our church body in seeking God's face and His hand in prayer together. We offer age-appropriate classes with an emphasis on prayer and worship for children through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.

#### GraceChapel.org/Prayer

## **WOMEN**

#### ROOTED: BIBLE STUDY • \$18 • BEGINNING JAN 15 TUESDAYS AT 9:15–11:30 AM AND 6–8 PM

Ready to connect in a deeper way with other women? Join us for *God of Covenant: a Study of Genesis 12–50*, by Jen Wilkin, where we will explore how God orchestrates everything for His glory and for the good of all His people! Our time consists of multi-generational small group communities, prayer, and teaching. Hope you will join us as it won't be the same without you! Childcare is available by reservation. Register online.

#### GraceChapel.org/Women



#### TUESDAY NIGHT GROUPS · 6-8 PM

The Men's Tuesday night groups, "Conquering Issues That Matter," is ongoing, and "Walking in the Way of the Wise" will resume on January 15. Visit our website for more details.

GraceChapel.org/Men

## WINTER SHELTER VOLUNTEERS

#### WINTER SHELTER · MONDAYS · NOV - MAR

With doubling the number of guests we serve at the Winter Shelter Network from last year, we have a need for more volunteers. Please join us in prayer to fill the volunteer gap. If you have friends who are looking for a way to use their talents, please let them know of this opportunity to serve those in need within our community. Sign up online to volunteer.

GraceChapel.org/Outreach

## CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

We are thanking God for the overwhelming response of volunteers and are unable to take any more. You can still help by donating canned goods in the Upper Lobby Hub until Sunday, December 16.

## **JOB OPENING**

#### WOMEN'S & CARE ASSOCIATE (PART-TIME)

Want to work with people who are filled with a passion to **lead people to find and follow Jesus**? In this role, the Associate will support the Director in all matters, events, and processes associated with leading our Women's and Care ministries.

To apply and view the full job description, please go to our website. Applications will be accepted through today, or until the position is filled.

#### GraceChapel.org/Jobs

# SERMONS

Ever feel like sometimes hearing isn't enough? We offer a Weekly Discussion Guide related to each sermon. This is your opportunity to process, journal, or talk through the sermon. Maybe you want to do that with your family, in your own devotional time, or with a group? You can download the guide as a PDF each week from our website.

#### GraceChapel.org/Sermons

## YEAR-END GIVING

Your generosity has been a blessing to Grace Chapel this past year. Your support allows us to serve our church family and others around the world. Please remember Grace Chapel in your year-end giving. Gifts received or postmarked **by Monday, December 31**, are deductible for income tax purposes in 2018. Online gifts must be processed on or before December 31. Gifts received, postmarked, or processed **after December 31** (regardless of the date on the check) are not deductible for 2018 but are considered gifts for 2019.

Our church offices will be closed starting at noon on December 24 through January 1. Gifts may be dropped off in our secure lock box outside of the office doors no later than December 31. Donor statements for 2018 will be mailed by January 31, 2019. If you have any questions, please contact Joseph Siacunco.

#### Email JSiacunco@GraceChapel.org

#### Adore • Various Passages

Daniel Henderson, StrategicRenewal.com

#### What Happened to Our Worship?

WiFi access is available. Password: **graceworship** 

Text a question to **303.335.9484** 

Worship = "worth-ship"; to bow down to attribute worth

Worship involves \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. It is the response of all that I am, to the revelation of all that He is.

#### Wise Men Really Do Still Seek Him

I see Him, but not now; I behold Him, but not near: a star shall come out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel. – Numbers 24:17

#### Keys to True Adoration This Christmas Season – Matthew 2:1–11

1. \_\_\_\_\_ – Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? – v. 2

(Isaiah 9:6-7; John 1:49, 18:37; Revelation 19:16).

God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth. – John 4:24

- To worship "in spirit" involves possession of, submission to, and \_\_\_\_\_ by the Spirit of God.
- To worship "in truth" involves the truth of God revealed in creation, Christ, and the Scriptures–\_\_\_\_\_ my mind and \_\_\_\_\_\_ in my heart.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ – "For we saw His star when it rose..." – v. 2

- The \_\_\_\_\_\_ of true worship are ignorance, idolatry, impurity, and insincerity.
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_\_ "...and have come to worship Him." v. 2
  - Worship is \_\_\_\_\_, not \_\_\_\_\_.
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  - Worship involves \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. – Romans 12:1

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#### THIS WEEK I WILL:

- Think about my current perspective on worship. What "forms" might be threatening the "reality" of true worship?
- In the midst of all the distractions of this Christmas season, think of three ways I can be more "attentive" to God's call to experience true worship.
- How will your worship of Jesus be demonstrated through sacrificial action this season? Be specific and make clear plans to worship in this way.