

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! We are so glad that you are here to worship the Lord together!

Memory Verse: John 6:40 For this is the will of my Father, that every one that beholdeth the Son, and believeth on him, should have eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.

Life Preparation Groups: 11:30 – 12:30 pm

- **Adults:** Sermon open discussion
- **HS/MS Youth:** Lectionary/Worldview
- **Children Ministry:** Gospel Project lessons

Mark the date:

- 12.24 – Youth Christmas Party 3 pm
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 7:30 pm
- 12.26 – Christmas Sunday (no regular Life Prep Groups)
Children Ministry Christmas Party 11:30 am
- 12.28-29 – Online Chinese Mission Conference
5-10 pm EST
- 12.31 – New Year's Eve Prayer 8 pm

Housing Authority of Bergen County Homeless Clothing Drive: We will continue the collection through Christmas. Please bring new coats, winter undergarments, thermal shirts and socks sizes XL through 3XL and place them in the box in the fellowship hall.

2022 Board Nominations: The Executive Board met with multiple Mandarin, Cantonese and English speaking brothers and sisters who fit the biblical requirements for the position of deacon, asking them to serve. After these meetings, we are not able to announce any nominees for 2022 yet. Please continue to pray for the Lord's guidance.

If you have purchased things for Grace Church in 2021, please submit your receipt(s) to your Dept. Chairman for reimbursement as soon as possible.

Message from Pastor John: If you have a topic on your heart for a Sunday sermon, please let me know anytime. Thank you!

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

WORSHIP	9:30 AM
LIFE PREP GROUPS	11:30 AM
CHILDREN MINISTRY	11:30 AM

WEEKDAY PRAYER TIME

DAILY TUES-FRI	12:00 PM
WEDNESDAY WITH BIBLE STUDY	8:00 PM
SEE CHURCH WEBSITE FOR THE ZOOM MTG TIMES AND LINKS	

Daily Bible Reading:

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/daily.php?year=B>

WE WANT TO HELP

**IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF ANY KIND OF ASSISTANCE
CALL OR WRITE PASTOR JOHN or MINISTER KAN**

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PASTORAL STAFF

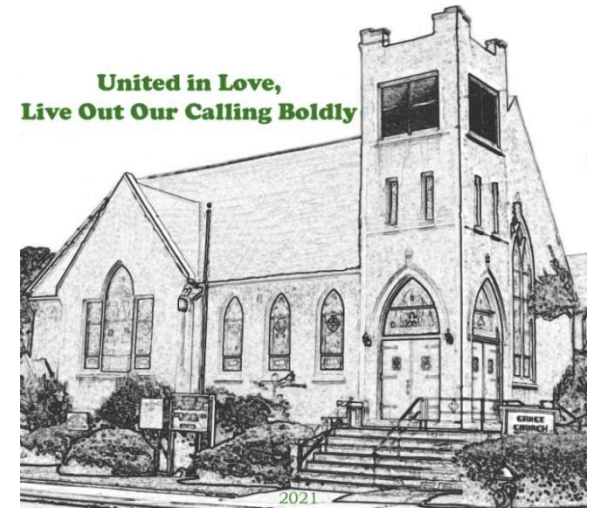
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Oversea Chinese Mission Grace Church

December 19, 2021



John 17:23, Acts 20:24

OUR PRAYERS

Dear Heavenly Father,

Like Mary, we pray for your Name to be magnified, and praise you for bringing down the mighty from their thrones and raising up the humble of heart. You fill the hungry with good things and send the rich away empty. You have remembered your covenant to us and have saved us through your Son Jesus Christ. Blessed be Jesus, the fruit of Mary's womb, born of the Holy Spirit. May we be renewed in our spirits today in your great love and live for you only in waiting for Jesus' return.

In His Name, Amen.

Pray supplications, prayers, intercession for all people. For leaders in high positions. 1 Tim. 2:1-2

Praise: For the sureness of knowing that God is in our midst. He is our Savior, and He rejoices over us, loves us, and exults over us with singing!

Our church:

- God's timing for a youth director
- New deacon nomination

Personal needs:

- Health and recovery: James Loy; Auntie Ruth and Uncle Lemuel; Coty's mother, and sister Ammy; Albert Lau; Helen Chung; Gordon Huie; Minister Silas Shu, Mrs. Shu; Grace Hine's son; Kit Wong's mom, and for Kaitlyn; Susan Chien's mom; Chris Lee's aunt; PJ's sister Nancy and brother-in-law Peter; Willie's mom; Casey's father; Shu Lam's mother; Stephanie, Sally's sister's daughter-in-law; Brendan's father
- Salvation: Mary Bruno's son Mario and daughter-in-law Yvonne; missionary friend Sarah
- Special protection: Peter Mui.
- Covid-19: Those who are affected health-wise and financially; the distribution of the vaccines.

The world:

- For those suffering from the devastation caused by tornados in the central/southwestern US.
- May the Lord help us to bring about justice, champion the oppressed, give the orphan his rights, plead the widow's cause (Isaiah 1:17)
- For the situation in Myanmar

Call to Worship

Alex

Confession of Sin

Apostles Creed

Praise

Chu & Patsy

Advent Candle Lighting and Reading

The Candle of Love Micah 5:2:5 Kimberly & Stephanie

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Luke 1:39-55

Betty

Sermon

Pastor John

Love's Blessing

Song of Response

Intercessory Prayer

Candi

Offering

Announcements

Benediction

Pastor John

CALL TO WORSHIP

John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world,
that he gave his only Son,
that whoever believes in him
should not perish
but have eternal life.

For God did not send his Son
into the world to condemn the world,
but in order that the world
might be saved through him.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell; on the third day, He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence, He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.