

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome and Merry Christmas! Our King is born in Bethlehem!

Memory Verse: Ephesians 2:8 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

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

- **Adults:** Will meet again starting January 9 (the study of "In His Steps" begins on January 15. See Marissa and Candi for details)
- **HS/MS Youth:** Will meet again starting January 9
- **Children Ministry:** Christmas Party today! Class continues January 2.

Mark the date:

- 12.28-29 – Online Chinese Mission Conference 5-11 pm EST
- 12.31 – New Year's Eve Prayer 8 pm on Zoom
- 01.08 – Women of Grace Fellowship 9:30 am

Tornado Disaster Relief Offering: In view of the terrible destruction to lives in the Midwest United States caused by tornados, the board has decided to take action to provide our congregation members the opportunity to donate through our church to a reliable relief fund. More details will be coming as soon as possible.

If you have purchased things for Grace Church in 2021, please submit your receipt(s) to your Dept. Chairman for reimbursement by December 30.

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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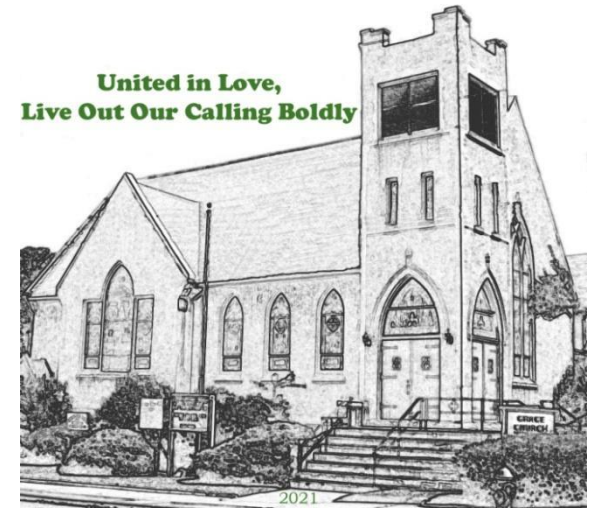
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(Please email or call Pastor John for any prayer requests or personal consultation)

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Oversea Chinese Mission Grace Church

December 26, 2021



John 17:23, Acts 20:24

OUR PRAYERS

Dear Heavenly Father,
On this Christmas Sunday 2021, we thank you for the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. Although there was no room for him in the inn, we desire to make room for him in our hearts always. May this final Sunday in December be dedicated fully to your glory and honor. May we as a church ponder as Mary the things that have happened in the past year and offer up our hearts to you fully as our King, born in a lowly manger, dying for our sins on the Cross, and resurrecting from the dead so that we would have the joy of seeing you when you return and spending eternity in your Kingdom.

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; Patricia, Mary Bruno's sister
- 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

Matthew 11:28

Come to me,
all who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest.

Call to Worship		Kit
Confession of Sin		
Apostles Creed		
Praise		Antony & Youths
Prayer for Illumination		
Scripture	Luke 2:1-7	Susan
Sermon		Pastor John
	"Opening the gifts of Jesus on Christmas"	
Song of Response		
Intercessory Prayer		Yacer
Offering		
Announcements		
Benediction		Pastor John

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.