# ANNOUNCEMENTS

# Welcome to Christmas Day Worship!

**Memory Verse**: Galatians 4:4 – "But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law."

#### TODAY:

It's Christmas Day! Enjoy time with family after worship.

#### Mark the Date

- Dec 31 New Year's Eve Prayer Fellowship 7:30 pm
- Jan 1 New Year's Sunday Combined Worship 10:00 am
- Jan 15 Deacon Installation 11:00 am
  - Pre-Spring Festival Potluck Lunch

#### Volunteers Needed:

- 1. Help with Children Ministry see Esther
- 2. New Bridge Care Center see PJ
- 3. CEF Good News Club Ridgefield Park see PJ

Nursery: Although there is no immediate need for Nursery help at this time, we are praying in faith for what we hope for, and assurance about what we do not see (Heb. 11:1). Please see Esther if you would like to be on the team ready to serve.

**2023 Executive Board Nominations:** The Executive Board of Grace Church is pleased to present Erin Miu and Alfred Lee as Executive Board members beginning in 2023.

**Condolences:** Auntie Ruth Shiu passed on to be with the Lord on December 19, 2022. May the Lord comfort Brother Lemuel and his family, and grant them strength during this difficult time. A private family funeral is being arranged.

Come join the OCM Grace Church Pre-Spring Festival Potluck Luncheon on 1/15/23 at 1pm for a special time of fellowship and celebration. Sign-up sheet is posted on the board downstairs. Please sign up according to the food you will bring.

# A kind reminder from the Treasury Department:

- All departments and individuals who made purchases for Grace Church, please submit your 2022 expense receipts and vouchers (with approved signatures) to the treasury department by December 30, 2022 for year-end closing.
- Please let the Treasury know if anyone has an address, email or phone change, so we can update the church directory, and send out 2022 Contribution Receipts.

#### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

WORSHIP 9:30 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=C

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

OCM Website <a href="https://www.ocmgrace.org">www.ocmgrace.org</a>
Please find us on Facebook: OCM Grace Church

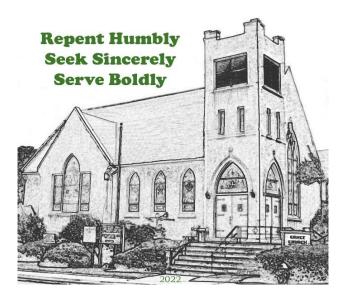
# **PASTORAL STAFF**

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# Oversea Chinese Mission Grace Church

December , 25, 2022



2 Chronicles 7:14; Matthew 3:2, 6:33

#### **OUR PRAYERS**

Our Father in Heaven,
on this blessed Christmas Day
we give thanks to you in humble worship.
You have sent Your beloved only Son into the world
so that whoever believes in Him will not die
but have eternal life. Jesus was born – for us!
Hallelujah! In Jesus' Name. Amen!

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

#### Our church:

- Youth director
- Fear of God
- Not to shrink back but to hold fast in faith
- Let us not neglect to meet together
- Missionaries with whom we partner

#### Personal needs:

- Health and recovery: James Loy; Uncle Lemuel; Coty's sister Amy; Gordon Huie; Mrs. Shu; PJ's sister Nancy and brother-in-law Peter; Mary Bruno's daughter Lisa and sister Patricia, Peter Konopka; Albert Wong
- <u>Salvation</u>: Mary Bruno's son Mario and daughterin-law Yvonne; missionary friend Sarah
- Special protection: Peter Mui.

## The world:

- Mercy and Justice for the poor, oppressed, and under-privileged. (Isaiah 1:17)
- For the Ukraine-Russia war; the political situation Burkina Faso; other areas of the world that suffer from unrest and oppression.

#### **Our Nation:**

- Fear of Gpd
- Just and righteous government
- Provision for the poor and needy
- Spiritual revival and turning to Christ

## **Schools/Students:**

- For Ridgefield Park Board of Ed to allow CEF Good News Club to meet at Roosevelt School
- For safety and blessing of Christ's love on all students, teachers and administrations

Call to Worship Susan

Advent Candle Lighting Pastor John

Confession of Sin

**Apostles Creed** 

Praise Antony / Youth

Memory Verse

Family Time – Jesse's Tree Pastor John

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Isaiah 9:2-7 Susan

Sermon: Pastor John

"For a child has been born - for us!"

Song of Response

Intercessory Prayer Pastor John

Offering

Announcements

Closing Prayer Pastor John

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Luke 2:10-12

<sup>10</sup> And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. <sup>11</sup> For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. <sup>12</sup> And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."

# **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.

He shall come to judge the quick and th
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.

# Confession of Sin:

Merciful God, We confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved You with our whole heart and mind and strength We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves

In Your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name

# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven Hallowed be Your name

Your kingdom comes Your will be done On earth as in heav'n

Give us today our daily bread Forgive us our sins As we forgive those who sin against us

Save us from the time of trial And deliver us from evil

For the kingdom, the power And the glory is Yours

Now and forever

Amen!