

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! We are filled with joy that you are here to worship with us.

Memory Verse: John 3:5 – Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

TODAY:

10:00 am: Children’s Worship – Gospel Project

11:30 am:

- Children’s Sunday School – Bible Heroes Adventure
- Youth HS/MS – Topic: “Would you rather” (Bergen House)
- Adults – Discussion on the Ten Commandments

Mark the Date:

- 3.12
 - Daylight savings begins
 - Congregational Meeting 1pm
- 3.19 Bergen NB Med Center volunteering
- 3.26 Rev Jerry Schmoey preaches
- 4.1 Church Cleaning Day (TBD)
- 4.1 Women of Grace
- 4.2 Palm Sunday
- 4.6 Maundy Thursday Worship Service 7:30 pm
- 4.7 Good Friday Worship Service 7:30 pm
- 4.9
 - Easter Sunrise/Worship Services 8:30 am/10 am
 - Baptism Service following Easter Worship
 - Children Ministry Easter Celebration 1:30 - 3 pm

Praise the Lord! The Ridgefield Park Board of Ed has approved the CEF Good News Club for Roosevelt Elementary School. Thank you all for your prayers! Please continue to pray for the team of Brianne, Candi, Luany Reger and PJ as the club will meet one day per week beginning asap. We need one more volunteer. If you are interested, please see PJ after service.

Volunteers needed for Children’s Easter Celebration:

Last year, we had over 60 children come to the Easter Celebration! By volunteering, you make it possible for children and their families to enjoy a special day celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus! We need volunteers like you to join our team as we prepare for the event on April 9. Please see Esther for details.

Congregational Meeting/Lunch:

Sunday, March 12, 1 pm: Please join together for some encouraging words from the executive board and enjoy lunch lovingly prepared by Brother Fat-Goh and Sister Chris (suggested donation \$5.00 per person).

Earthquake Relief Offering:

In view of the terrible destruction to lives in Turkey and Syria, the executive board has decided to take action to provide our congregation members the opportunity to donate to CAMA (Compassion and Mercy Associates - Missionary Alliance) to help those in need. For the next three Sundays, Feb. 19, 26, and March 5 please make donations through Zelle or check. Checks should be made out to **OCM Grace Church** with Turkey Syria Earthquake Relief Donation 2023 in the memo. Please note; any donations received after March 5 will be deposited into the General Fund. The donations will be included in the year-end contribution receipts. Any questions can be addressed to the board.

Volunteers Needed:

- Help with Children Ministry – see Esther
- CEF Good News Club Ridgefield Park – see PJ
- Bergen Cty Homeless Food Delivery - see PJ for info
- 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.

| <u>SUNDAY SCHEDULE</u> | |
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| WORSHIP | 9:30 AM |
| <u>WEEKDAY PRAYER TIME</u> | |
| 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 www.ocmgrace.org
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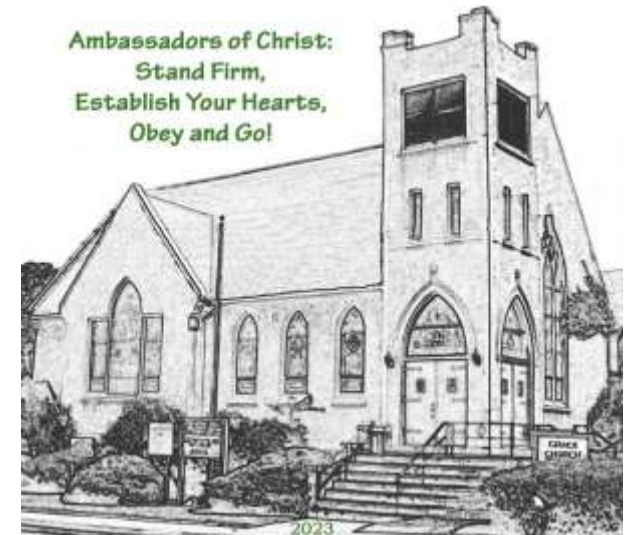
PASTORAL STAFF

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Oversea Chinese Mission Grace Church

March 5, 2023



2 Corinthians 5:20a; 1 Corinthians 15:58; James 5:8

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OUR PRAYERS

Dear Father in heaven, we lift our eyes to the hills...where will we find help? We find it in you. You have sent your own blessed Son to save us from our sins. What can be a greater help than that? Bless, you, dear Father for your love for us. Lord, we give you our hearts. Make them ever true. *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
- 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, Toby Lai, Albert Lau
- Salvation: Mary Bruno's son Mario and daughter-in-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.
- God's mercy on Syria and Turkey, devastated by the loss of life and suffering from earthquakes.

Our Nation:

- Just and righteous government
- Provision for the poor and needy
- Spiritual revival and turning to Christ
- An increase in care for the mentally ill
- An end to violence in our nation

Schools/Students:

- For safety and blessing of Christ's love on all students, teachers and administrations

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| Call to Worship | | Kit |
| Confession of Sin | | |
| Apostles Creed | | |
| Praise | | Li-chan |
| Children's Message | | |
| Prayer for Illumination | | |
| Scripture | John 3:1-17 | Betty |
| Sermon: | | Pastor John |

You must be born from above

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| Song of Response | | |
| Intercessory Prayer | | Candi |
| Offering | | Kit |
| Announcements | | |
| Closing Prayer | | Pastor John |

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 121:1-2

I lift up my eyes to the hills.
From where does my help come?
My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

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.

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 come
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 are Yours

Now and forever

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