## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**Memory Verse: Ephesians 5:8** – for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light

## 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 H.)
- Adults Video Series: Faith is for Weak People

### Mark the Date:

- 3.19 Bergen NB Med Center volunteering
- 3.24 Youth Movie Night
- 3.26 Rev Jerry Schmoyer 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 Sonrise/Worship Services 8:30 am/10 am
  - Baptism Service following Easter Worship
  - Children Ministry Easter Celebration 1:30 3 pm

## Local Short Term Mission Opportunity:

"Child Evangelical Fellowship 5 Day Club in Paterson" July 17-21. An introduction to this exciting ministry will be given soon by Pastor John. An "all you need to know" session/training for those interested will follow after Easter.

## Turkey Syria Earthquake Relief Fund

Total received \$3,210.00. This total amount was sent to CAMA for distribution on 3/10/2023

## Youth Movie & Snacks Fellowship Night:

Please save March 24th 7pm-9pm at the church fellowship hall for movie, snacks and fellowship night. Please bring one snack (nut free) to share. Youth can bring their own pop up chair or use one in the hall. Blankets to lay on might also be fun. Contact Brianne for details. *Bring a friend!* 

## Children's Easter Celebration:

Sunday, Apr. 9, 1:30pm to 3pm. Easter Celebration with Egg Hunt, filled with games and fun for the whole community! Bring a friend! Please register online thru www.ocmgrace.org. or contact Esther for details.

## 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.

### 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.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE	
Worship	9:30 am
WEEKDAY PRAYER TIME	
DAILY TUES-FRI	12:00 рм
WEDNESDAY WITH BIBLE STUDY	8:00 pm
SEE CHURCH WEBSITE FOR THE ZOOM MTG TIME	S AND LINKS

Daily Bible Reading: https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/daily.php?year=C

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

OCM Website Please find us on Facebook:

www.ocmgrace.org

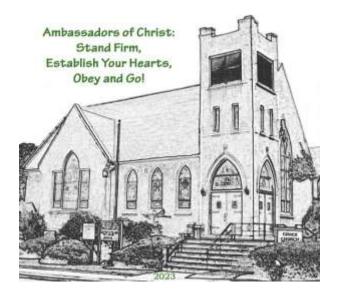
## PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor John Maxham (English Ministry) 908-510-8478 johnsmaxham@gmail.com (Please email or call Pastor John for any prayer requests or personal consultation)

Minister Kan Chan (Chinese Ministry) 973-641-4245

## Oversea Chinese Mission Grace Church

# March 19, 2023



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

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## **OUR PRAYERS**

Discerner of hearts, you look beneath our outward appearance and see your image in each of us. Banish in us the blindness that prevents us from recognizing truth, so we may see the world through your eyes and with the compassion of Jesus Christ who redeems us. *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:

- <u>Health and recovery</u>: Brother Fat Goh; James Loy; Uncle Lemuel; Coty's sister Amy; Gordon Huie; Mrs. Shu; PJ's sister Nancy and brother-inlaw Peter; Mary Bruno's daughter Lisa and sister Patricia, Peter Konopka; Albert Wong, Toby Lai, Albert Lau
- <u>Salvation</u>: Mary Bruno's son Mario and daughterin-law Yvonne; missionary friend Sarah
- <u>Special protection</u>: 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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Confession of Sin		
Apostles Creed		
Praise		Chu/Pasty
Children's Messag	je	
Prayer for Illumina	tion	
Scripture	John 9:1-12; 35-41	Pat

Call to Worship

Sermon:

Jesus makes the blind to see

Alfred

Pastor John

Song of Response	
Intercessory Prayer	Pastor John
Offering	Alfred
Announcements	
Closing Prayer	Pastor John

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 18:28 For it is you who light my lamp; the Lord my God lightens my darkness.

## **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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