

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome everyone to OCM Grace Church! We are happy that you are here to worship the Lord together! May the Lord bless you richly with His steadfast love and joy!

Memory Verse – John 12:46

I have come into the world as light, so that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness.

TODAY:

- **Children's Ministry:** 10:00/11:30 am
Lesson today: "Counting the Cost"
- **Life Prep Classes:** 11:30 am
Youth (MS/HS): Jesus is 1
Adults: Sermon Discussion

Mark the Date:

- 12.14 - Youth Fellowship
- 12.15 - New Bridge Medical Center
Volunteering
- 12.20 - Brother Lemuel Shiu memorial 10 am
- 12.21 - Youth Fellowship
- 12.24 - Christmas Candlelight Worship Service
- 12.29 - Rev Donna Baptiste preaches
- 12.31 - New Year's Eve Prayer Gathering
7:30 pm

Grace Festival Choir is calling for singers for the Sunday service on 12/22 and the Candlelight service on 12/24. Practice on 11/17, 11/24, 12/1, 12/8, 12/15, 1:30-2:30 pm. Please prayerfully check your calendar and let Li-Chan know.

Mission Special Need: If you would like to support Kenny Chau during a transitional time for his family, please see the information on the Missions Bulletin Board outside the Children's Nursery. A free will donation is welcomed.

Condolences: Brother Lemuel Shiu went home to be with the Lord on Friday, November 29, 2024. Please pray for Brother Lemuel's family and ask the Lord to comfort them. A memorial service for Brother Lemuel Shiu will be at OCM Grace Church on Friday, December 20 at 10:00 am.

Offering: Please make your offering via Zelle: ocmgracetreasury@outlook.com or by check made payable to OCM Grace Church – send to church address, Attn: Treasury (specify for missions or general fund in memo)

Attendance for 12/1: 39

<u>SUNDAY SCHEDULE</u>	
PRAYER	9:00 AM
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=B>

Some prayers in the bulletin are "Reprinted from Revised Common Lectionary Prayers, copyright © 2002 Consultation on Common Texts"

CONTACT INFORMATION

OCM Website www.ocmgrace.org
Please find us on Facebook: OCM Grace Church

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor John Maxham (English Ministry) 908-510-8478
johnsmaxham@gmail.com
Minister Sandy Xie (Chinese Ministry) 917-593-0420
sandyweilixie@gmail.com

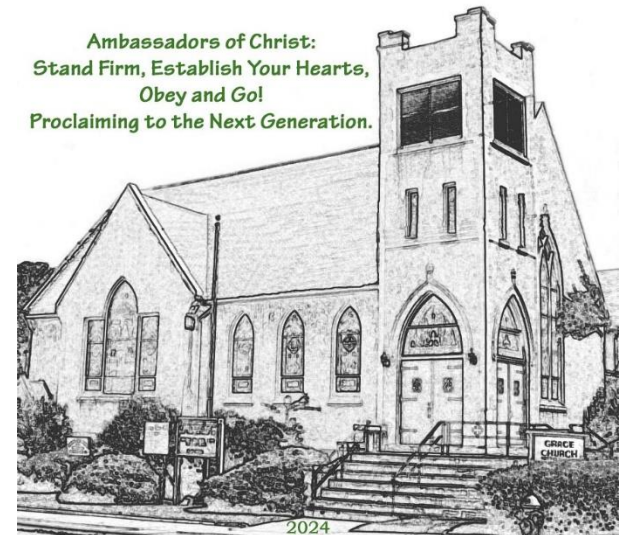
(Please email or call Pastor John for any prayer requests or personal consultation)

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Erin Miu (Christian Education, Building/Service; Treasury)
Alfred Lee (Fellowship; Mission; Secretary)

OCM Grace Church

December 8, 2024



2 Corinthians 5:20a; 1 Corinthians 15:58;
James 5:8; Psalm 145:4

90 Mt Vernon Street, Ridgefield Park, NJ 07660

OUR PRAYERS

Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for shining Your light into our darkness to save us from sin and give us Your peace. Let our light shine before men that they may see our good works and glorify our Father in heaven. In Your Name, Amen.

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

Our church:

- Deacon nominations for 2025

Personal needs:

- Health and recovery: Harumi; Coty's sister Amy; Gordon Huie; Mrs. Shu; PJ's sister Nancy; Peter Konopka; James Loy; Candi; Kaling's mother; Celine's father; Willie's wife Lyndell; Chris Lee's mother and father
- Special protection: Peter Mui

Missions:

- Pray for the Good News Club meeting at Roosevelt Elementary School Ridgefield Park each Thursday
- Pray for our missionaries.

The world:

- Mercy and Justice for the poor, oppressed, and under-privileged. (Isaiah 1:17)
- Pray for justice and mercy for the people of Burkina Faso, Sudan, Haiti
- Pray for persecuted Christians everywhere
- Pray for mercy and peace in the Middle East

Our Nation:

- Just and righteous government
- Provision for the poor and needy
- Spiritual revival and turning to Christ
- An end to violence
- Pray for mercy/provision for victims of Hurricanes Helene and Milton
- Forest fires in Northwest NJ
- Leadership in government that is God-fearing

Call to Worship /
Advent Candle Lighting Alfred

Confession of Sin

Apostles Creed

Praise Antony & family

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Luke 1:68-79 Betty

Sermon: Pastor John

Advent Week 2: The Coming of the Lord, Our Light

Song of Response – Hymnal #267

Holy Communion

Intercessory Prayer Yacer

Offering Alfred

Announcements Alfred

Benediction Pastor John

CALL TO WORSHIP

John 12:46

⁴⁶ I have come into the world as light, so that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness.

SERMON NOTES