

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 – Acts 1:8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

TODAY:

- **Children's Ministry:**

Lesson today: The Believers Pray for Peter

- **Life Prep Classes:**

Youth: Summer in the Psalms Lesson 3

Youth Adults: Meet in Bergen House

Adult: "When God's Spirit Moves" by Jim Cymbala

Weekly Bible Study and Prayer:

- Wednesdays at 8 pm via Zoom – We are studying the book of Revelation
- Noontime Prayer: Tuesday – Friday via Zoom

Mark the Date:

05.24 - No Life Prep Classes (Memorial Day weekend)

05.25 - RP Firemen's service/breakfast Memorial Day, meet at 9:30 am at church

05.27 - Homeless Shelter Volunteering

05.30 - Children's Ministry Ice Cream Party 1 pm (CEF)

Pastoral Search Committee formed: Please pray for Alfred, Alex, Susan, Candi, Marissa, Yacer, Sebastian, Maris

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 5/10: 38

OCM Grace Church

May 17, 2026

Keep Your Lamps Burning!



"Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. Luke 12:35-37"

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)

90 Mt Vernon Street, Ridgely Park, NJ 07660

Call to Worship

Alex

Psalm 47:1-2, 5-6

- ¹ Clap your hands, all peoples!
Shout to God with loud songs of joy!
² For the Lord, the Most High, is to be feared,
a great king over all the earth.

⁵ God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.
⁶ Sing praises to God, sing praises!
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

Confession of Sins

Apostles Creed

Praise

Li-Chan

Blessing for the Children

Pastor John

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Acts 1:8-9

Chris

Sermon

Pastor John

The Glorious Ascension of Jesus Christ

Song of Response

Intercessory Prayer

Yacer

Offering

Alex

Announcements

Alex

Benediction

Pastor John

Silent Prayer

OUR PRAYERS

Dear Lord Jesus, We clap our hands and shout to God with loud songs of joy.
You have ascended into heaven. We join with all heaven to praise you, for you
are worthy of honor and praise. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

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

Our Church:

- That the theme this year will take root in our lives through the Holy Spirit.
- That the children and youth will grow in the love of Christ and know hope in Him.
- That the young adults will form an even stronger bond and flourish in their walk with Jesus.
- That the Bible studies in *Revelation*, and *When God's Spirit Moves* will bring glory to God.
- For God to raise up deacons in His timing.
- For the pastoral search process.

Praise: We praise the Lord for the things we have been learning about the Holy Spirit

Personal needs:

- Health and recovery: Celine's father; Coty's sister Amy; PJ's sister Nancy; Peter Konopka; James Loy; Kaling's mother; Willie's wife Lyndell; Kwong's mother; Albert; Marco's dad, Brother Kin Fat Chen (Fat Goh); Kwong
- Peace and strength: Yacer
- Special protection: Peter Mui; Mary Bruno

Missions:

- Pray for our missionaries: Donna Baptiste, Calvin Chan; Kenny/Cindy Chau; Daniel/Karla Grenz; Paul and Dorothy Lacy; Gordon Law; Linda Schramm; Jerry Schmoyer; Esther T.

Our World:

- For peace; For the Gospel to reach every nation

Our Nation:

- For God's Spirit to bring reason, calm and peace
- Spiritual revival and turning to Christ
- For an end of hatred, for God's love to grow
- For justice and peace
- Pray for the families in Ridgefield Park/Little Ferry whose homes were destroyed by fires this week