

## 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 for the Week – Psalm 103:1

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

#### Today:

- **Children's Ministry:**  
Lesson today: The Story and the Song
- **Life Prep Classes:**  
**Youth:** Jesus Worthy of Worship  
**Youth Adults:** Meet in Bergen House  
**Adult:** Jesus The God Who Knows Your Name, by Max Lucado
- **September Birthday Lunch 1 pm**

#### Weekdays:

- **Bible Study and Prayer** via Zoom on **Wednesdays** at 8 pm.  
Current study is in 1 & 2 Thessalonians
- **Noontime Prayer: Tuesday through Friday** via Zoom.  
Besides general intercessions, daily prayer focuses are:  
Missions (Tues.), Church Ministries (Wed.), Children and Youth (Thurs.),  
Unsaved Family and Friends/Listening Prayer (Fri.). All are encouraged to join.

#### Mark the Date:

09.04 - 07 – Main Church Summer Conference (youth attending)  
09.12 – Family & Youth Fellowship - Trivia Night 4 pm  
09.20 – New Bridge Volunteering (youth)  
09.30 – Homeless Shelter Lunch Volunteering

**Grace Festival Choir is calling for singers!** We will offer special music at the church anniversary service on 11/8. Practice dates: 10/11, 10/25, 11/1. Please talk to Li-Chan.

#### Volunteering Opportunities:

Bergen New Bridge Medical Center; Homeless Shelter - see PJ

#### Pastoral Search Committee:

Alfred, Alex, Candi, Maris, Marissa, Sebastian, Susan, and Yacer.

#### Offering:

Two ways of giving: Zelle via church account, [ocmgracetreasury@outlook.com](mailto:ocmgracetreasury@outlook.com);  
mail checks payable to OCM Grace Church to 90 Mt. Vernon St, Ridgefield Park, NJ 07660, Attn: Treasury (specify for missions or general fund in memo)

**Attendance for 8/30:** 51

| Offering Summary                  |                | General Fund | Mission Fund |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Target % of Budget Received (YTD) | 243/365 days   | 67%          | 67%          |
| Actual % of Budget Received (YTD) | Thru 8/31/2026 | 64%          | 80%          |

## OCM Grace Church

September 6, 2026



*"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

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### PASTORAL STAFF

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

### EXECUTIVE BOARD

Erin Miu (Christian Education, Building/Service; Treasury)  
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Call to Worship

Alex

**Judges 5:3**

"Hear, O kings; give ear, O princes;  
to the Lord I will sing;

I will make melody to the Lord, the God of Israel.

Confession of Sins

Apostles Creed

Praise

Li-Chan

Blessing for the Children

Pastor John

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Judges 4:1-10

Beverly

Sermon

Pastor John

**People of God Who Stood in the Gap #4: Deborah**

Song of Response

Intercessory Prayer

Pastor John

Offering

Alex

Announcements

Alex

Benediction

Pastor John

Silent Prayer

**OUR PRAYERS**

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

Dear Lord, You raised up Deborah as your prophet and your leader when your people cried out for help. You delivered your people. Therefore she sang: "Listen, you rulers! I, even I, will sing to the LORD; I will praise the LORD, the God of Israel in song". You are our deliverer. And so, we now praise the Lord in song! Amen.

**Praise:**

- Praise the Lord for the beginning of a new school year this week! We give thanks for our dedicated Sunday School teachers who teach the Word of God.

**Personal needs:**

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

**Our Church:**

- The theme this year, *Keep Your Lamps Burning*, will take root in our lives through the Holy Spirit.
- The growth of children and youth ministries.
- The young adults group will form a strong bond and encourage one another to walk closely with Jesus while navigating new stages of their lives.
- Need deacons for the next term, beginning in Jan. 2027.
- Search for the new Pastor.

**Our Nation:**

- For all levels of government and all public servants to humbly seek God's wisdom and lead in His love and righteousness.
- For God's Spirit to bring reason, calm, justice, and peace to the nation.
- For Spiritual revival and turning to Christ

**Our World:**

- For peace; for the suffering in all war-affected areas.
- For all who suffered under extreme weather and natural disasters.
- For Japan, Venezuela, Colombia and all those impacted by the earthquakes.
- Please pray for Nepal flood victims, and the ongoing flood rescue mission

**Missions:**

- For the Gospel of God's love and salvation to reach every nation.
- For missionaries we support: Donna Baptiste, Calvin Chan; Kenny/Cindy Chau; Daniel/Karla Grenz; Paul and Dorothy Lacy; Gordon Law; Linda Schramm; Jerry Schmoyer; Esther T.