



Grace Church holds a Meet & Greet for those who are newer to Grace Church on the 4th Sunday of each month. Our next Meet & Greet is this Sunday, April 28. This takes place right after the service in CJ's coffee shop. It is a great opportunity to meet the staff and leadership of Grace Church and learn a little more about the church. It also gives us an opportunity to learn a little about you! Contact Leslie Booher if you have any questions (leslie@gc3.org).

The next **American Red Cross Blood Drive** at Grace Church is Thursday, May 2nd from Noon to 5:45 pm. You can make an appointment at this [LINK](#).

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Spiritual Disciplines

with Lisa Sterkenburg

Learn to discipline your life spiritually.

Class will be held on Thursday evenings, 6:30 pm beginning May 2nd.

Raising Kids for True Greatness

with Aaron & Angie Walker

Learn how to instill Biblical principles into our families.

Class will be held on Sunday mornings, 9:00 am beginning May 5th. Child care available if you register by April 28th.

4 Chairs

with Pastor Josh Burt

Understand where you are in your spiritual journey and learn how to take the next step. Class will be held on Monday evenings, 6:30 pm beginning May 6th.

Love to Pray

with Val VanDuser

Develop the skills of prayer.

Class will be held on Sunday mornings 8:30-9:30 am beginning May 19th until July 14th. Child care available if you register by May 12th.

Superficiality is the enemy of spiritual growth. The doctrine of instant satisfaction is a primary spiritual problem. The doctrine needs to be seen for a genuine number of intelligible people, or gifted people, but for deep people." says Richard Foster in *Celebration of Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth*.

Disciplines do not seem so basic with God or measure spiritual success. They are exercises which require us to love God and neighbor in the present reality of God.

There are 12 Spiritual Disciplines that are taught and practiced throughout this 12-week course.

Who should take this class? Anyone wanting to "go deeper" in their relationship with God. This class will provide you with the most important spiritual disciplines that will bring an abundant Christian life.

Classroom: SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES can be purchased online or in CA.



How do you define success for your child? How will you know if you have been successful as a parent in raising your child? You were only the best for your child. But one word seems to be successful. Sure, there's nothing wrong with that. But what if there was something more. Could you define that success by having your "most important part"?

The author of the best-seller, "Raising Kids for True Greatness" says, "If you are a parent, you'll get them up to their eyes in the whole world of their child's success." Do yourself the favor of reading this book and guide you in preparing your child for a life that will truly define the goal of those who are truly successful.

This class is best for those who want their children to know that God created them to be and want to live up to their responsibility to them and grow both for God.

Classroom: Raising Kids For True Greatness can be purchased online or in CA.



Jesus recognized that the people He encountered were at different stages of growth and development and He wanted to challenge each of them to move to the next level.

In 4 Char's Disciples you'll get a clear and simple picture of how to follow in Jesus' footsteps and do the same thing.

4 Char's Disciples is the story of four ordinary men, their leadership skills, if you want to grow in your leadership skills and be used by God in His long and fulfilling life, you need to be able to discover what others are doing both and encourage and challenge them to the next level of their commitment to Christ and growth in their personal faith journey. This class will prepare you to do just that.

Classroom: 4 CHAR DISCIPLES can be purchased online or in CA.

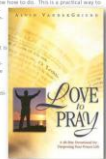


Scripture makes prayer the priority of the church. The early church was devoted to prayer (Acts 2:42). Its leaders were devoted to prayer. The Holy Spirit inspired devotion to prayer (Colossians 3:2) and commands believers to "pray in the Spirit all the time with all kinds of psalms and songs... and always keep on praying for all the saints" (Ephesians 6:18).

People love to do the things they know how to do. This is a practical way to help you to pray while you are praying. If you feel yourself unskilled, unskilled, uncommitted to pray or this is the reason for you.

Love to Pray is one of the classes that is recommended for everyone in the church to take as a foundational discipline in the Christian life that can be developed throughout their life.

Classroom: LOVE TO PRAY can be purchased online or in CA.



SIGN UP FOR A GRACE U CLASS HERE

The Grace Church Prayer Team would like to encourage you to come and support the National Day of Prayer on May 2, 2024, at Grace Church. The church will be open from 11 am until 7 pm for this self-lead prayer event. There will be 7 prayer stations set-up with areas of focused prayer. Prayer team members will be available to provide prayer support and materials will be provided to assist you. We anticipate it would take approx. 35 to 45 minutes to visit all 7 prayer stations. Child care will not be available during this time.

Wednesdays @ Grace!

Wednesdays at Grace is an opportunity for you to connect with your Grace family and invite others to join you each Wednesday evening 6:00-7:30 pm These are planned as outdoor events utilizing our back patio and the 78 acres of property God has blessed us with. We'll move inside as weather dictates.

Each evening will have a featured event (see schedule below) but there are many activities that could be done every week such as basketball, disc golf, hiking trails, playground, Gaga Ball, or sit and visit with folks on the back patio. We hope you'll invite someone to join you!

Here's the featured event schedule for the next few months:

- **May 1st** - volleyball
- **May 8th** - scavenger hunt
- **May 15th** - sidewalk chalk
- **May 22nd** - obstacle course and cook-out night...use this [LINK](#) to sign-up for the cook-out
- **May 29th** - no featured event
- **June 5th** - bocce ball
- **June 12th** - water balloons and water slide
- **June 19th** - obstacle course
- **June 26th** - outdoor Jenga and cook-out night...use this [LINK](#) to sign-up for the cook-out

July and August event schedule coming soon.

Remember, the featured event is just one of the options to take part in each Wednesday. There are so many things to do and we hope that you'll take advantage of these opportunities!

Grace Church provides an opportunity for everyone to come together during the month of May to help prepare the church grounds for the summer months. We hope you'll pick a Saturday to help out! Church work days will take place on Saturday mornings 9:00 am to 12:00 pm on:

May 4th - prepare for mulch (need wheelbarrows, shovels, rakes, work gloves)

May 11th - spread mulch (need wheelbarrows, shovels, rakes, work gloves)

May 18th - spread mulch (need wheelbarrows, shovels, rakes, work gloves)

May 25th - plant annuals (need garden spade and work gloves)

If you have questions or want to let us know when you can be there, reach out to Ryan Hickey (ryan@gc3.org).



The Greenhouse Project group has several classes coming up to help you as you prepare for garden season. You can check out these classes and sign-up [HERE](#). Have questions about The Greenhouse Project? Contact Lisa Sterkenburg (lisa@gc3.org).

Grace Church **H.O.M.E. Groups** meet throughout the week. See what group might be a good fit for you by visiting the link below. Let us know if you have questions.

[HOME Groups](#)

We invite you to follow along with the Grace Church **Bible Reading Plan**. You can access the plan below. 2024 Grace Journals can be found in CJ's coffee shop.

[Bible Reading](#)

CJ's coffee shop is open on Sunday mornings 8:30-9:55 am and also on Wednesday nights 6-7:30 pm. You can pre-order your drink on Sunday mornings by using the link below by 8:30 am on Sundays.

[CJ's Pre-Order](#)

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Saturday, April 27th - Tracy Hickey

Tuesday, April 30th - Veronica Crawford

Wednesday, May 1st - Samantha Myers, Gary & Tracy Nelson

Friday, May 3rd - Claude Snider

Check out the Grace Church Website!

Visit the church website by clicking this box. If you don't find what you're looking for, be sure to contact us!

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