

# SUNDAY MORNINGS @ GRACE

## Adult Ministry

**Adult Sunday School:** Studying the book of Daniel - Meets in the lower level at 9:20am, childcare is provided.

## Children's Ministry

**Gracekids** (1st– 2nd Grade) & **Gracelittles** (PreK-K) Children's Church: Offered during the sermon in the lower level. The children are dismissed during the offertory.  
**Gracebabies** (0-3 years old) Nursery: In the lower level and is provided during both services beginning at 8:45AM.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Communicants' Class	January 11,18, & 25, 12:15pm
Prayer Lunch	January 11, 12:15pm
Session Meeting	January 12 and 26, 6:30pm
STARS Class Begins	January 25, 10:40am
Membership Class	January 25, 8:30-10:30am
Missions Lunch	January 25, 12:15pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Night	January 25, 4:30-6pm
Neurodivergence in the Church, a Discussion	January 30, 5:30-7pm
Men's Retreat	February 5-7

- **Prayer Lunch** – Join us in the lower level following the service for lunch and a time of prayer.
- **Membership Class** – January 25, 8:30-10:30am, RSVP to [gavin@gracefortcollins.org](mailto:gavin@gracefortcollins.org) find out the location
- **STARS Class** – January 25, 10:40am, STARS are created by God for a purpose and are an indispensable part of the body of Christ. Our desire is to provide a place for everyone with intellectual or sensory challenges to worship God and learn more about him.
- **Men's Retreat** – Registration is now open for the February 5-7 men's retreat at the YMCA Winter Park location. We will begin with dinner on Thursday, February 5 and end after breakfast on Saturday, February 7. Additional details to follow. Registration ends on February 1 and can be done on the church website in the Upcoming Events section. Cost is \$150 and scholarships are available. Contact Gary Scott ([gary.w.scott@gmail.com](mailto:gary.w.scott@gmail.com)) or Jesse Newman ([newmanej@outlook.com](mailto:newmanej@outlook.com)) for details.
- **Grace Youth Group (GYG)** – Meets at the Grace House (1933 Mackinac St.) every Sunday, 6-8pm.
- **ChurchSuite** – Email [admin@gracefortcollins.org](mailto:admin@gracefortcollins.org) to be added to the online directory!

## Financial Performance

	October		Jul 2025- Oct 2025	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Tithes & Normal Income	\$54,226	\$50,000	\$172,330	\$200,000
Large Donations			\$150,000	
Expenses	\$40,507	\$49,969	\$158,895	\$199,875
Net	\$13,719	\$31	\$163,435	\$125

## GRACE GROUPS

For more info contact Glenn Nelson ([glenncmail97@gmail.com](mailto:glenncmail97@gmail.com)) for mixed groups or Gary Scott ([gary.w.scott@gmail.com](mailto:gary.w.scott@gmail.com)) for men's and women's groups

**Mid-town Group @ the Calton Home** // Sundays 5PM // Leader: Wes Calton // Contact Kelly ([kpcalton@gmail.com](mailto:kpcalton@gmail.com))

**Old Town Group @ the Lymberopoulos Home** // Sundays 4PM // Leader: Gavin Lymberopoulos // Contact Gavin ([gavin@gracefortcollins.org](mailto:gavin@gracefortcollins.org))

**Windsor Group** // Tuesdays 6:00PM // Leaders: Josh & Rebekah Ooms // Contact Josh ([joshooms1@gmail.com](mailto:joshooms1@gmail.com))

**Northeast FoCo Group @ the Weitz Home** // Wednesdays 6:30PM // Leader: Caleb Weitz // Contact Caleb ([caleb.weitz@gmail.com](mailto:caleb.weitz@gmail.com))

**Mid-town Group** // Thursdays 6:30PM // Leaders: Jon & Heather Hoppin // Contact Jon ([jonathanhoppin@gmail.com](mailto:jonathanhoppin@gmail.com))

**Southeast FoCo Group @ the Mikkelsen Home** // Thursdays 6:30PM // Leaders: Doug & Stephanie Mikkelsen // Contact Stephanie ([stephaniemikk@gmail.com](mailto:stephaniemikk@gmail.com))

### Women's Studies

**Women's Morning Study @ the Calton Home** // Wednesdays 10-11:30AM // Childcare Provided // Leader: Lauren Leong // Contact Kelly ([kpcalton@gmail.com](mailto:kpcalton@gmail.com) or 864-706-4112)

**Women's Evening "Mugs and Muffins" @ the Nelson Home** // Thursdays 6:30PM // Leader: Terry Nelson // Contact Terry (Text: 970-217-4643)

### Men's Studies

**Men's Evening Study @ The Stauffer Home** // Wednesdays 6:30PM // Leader: Darris Stauffer // Contact Darris ([darris\\_staufer@hotmail.com](mailto:darris_staufer@hotmail.com))

**Men's Breakfast @ Grace Church** // Thursdays 6:15AM // Leader: Devin Traff // Contact Devin ([dcraff@gmail.com](mailto:dcraff@gmail.com))

## CONTACT INFO / GET INVOLVED

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GRACE CHURCH  
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January 11, 2026

## WELCOME AND REFLECTION

*Distraction is a frequent reminder of our frailty and limits, that we indeed are not God. And since we are given to such unjustifiable, and frankly ridiculous, levels of pride, this is very good for us. Distraction humbles us and forces us to ask God for the help we so desperately need. And it can build our faith. God is not nearly as interested in our efficiency as he is in our faith.*

-Jon Bloom

## PRAISE THE LORD

### † Call to Worship

Matthew 7:13-14  
 "Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few."

### † Hymn of Worship

"The Lord's My Shepherd"

1. The Lord's my shepherd; I'll not want. He makes me lie in pastures green, He leads me by the still, still waters, his goodness restores my soul.  
 Chorus: And I will trust in you alone, and I will trust in you alone, For your endless mercy follows me, your goodness will lead me home.
2. He guides my ways in righteousness and he anoints my head with oil And my cup it overflows with joy; I feast on his pure delights. (Chorus)
3. And though I walk the darkest path, I will not fear the evil one For you are with me, and your rod and staff are the comfort I need to know. (Chorus)

### † Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## RENEWAL

### Scripture Reading

1 Timothy 6:6-10

Godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Prayer of Confession

Our Lord Jesus Christ, you are kind and generous, but we are tempted to greed. We confess that our love for money drives discontentment into our hearts. We long for more even though you provide through the goodness of work and the assistance of neighbors, family, and church. Forgive us for trusting wealth as opposed to you, the giver of all good things. Grant us patience where we have genuine needs and send your Spirit to guide us toward trust. We ask this in Christ's name. Amen.

### Silent Confession

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### † Scripture Reading

Isaiah 61:10

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness

### † Hymn of Response

"Upon a Life I Have Not Lived"

1. Upon a life I have not lived, upon a death I did not die, Another's life; another's death, I stake my whole eternity.
2. Not on the tears which I have shed, not on the sorrows I have known, Another's tears; another's griefs, on these I rest, on these alone.

*Chorus: O Jesus, Son of God, I build on what Thy cross has done for me; There both my death and life I read, my guilt, and pardon there I see.*

3. Lord, I believe; O deal with me, as one who has Thy Word believed! I take the gift, Lord, look on me, as one who has Thy gift received. (Chorus)

### † Hymn of Worship

"We Wait for the LORD"

I wait for the LORD; my soul, failing, waits. Even in his word I put my hope. I will wait for you, LORD. I will wait for you, LORD, more than watchmen wait for the dawn.

We wait for the LORD; our souls, failing, wait. Even in his word we put our hope. We will wait for you, LORD. We will wait for you, LORD, More than watchmen wait for the dawn.

*Bridge: O come, let us put our trust in the LORD! With unfailing love, our heart he restores! (repeat)*

Stay awake, my soul, tonight; through the hours we will defy our fright, No, the darkness cannot hide the light, so we trust in you To fulfill your promise to be with us!

We wait for the LORD; our souls, failing, wait. Even in his word we put our hope. We will wait for you, LORD. We will wait for you, LORD. (repeat)

### † Confession of Faith

### 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. 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 there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

### † Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him, all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## OFFER YOURSELF TO THE LORD

### Presentation of the Tithes and Offerings

1 Timothy 6:17-19

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

GraceKids' Big Truth: Jesus proclaimed that he had come to crush the snake's rule and bring in his own kingdom.

*~Children 3 years – 2nd grade are invited to stay in the service or line up for Children's Church.~*

### Musical Reflection

### Prayer

## PREACHING OF THE WORD

### Scripture Reading

Revelation 3:7-22

<sup>7</sup> "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: 'The words of the holy one, the true one, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, who shuts and no one opens. <sup>8</sup> "I know your works. Behold, I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut. I know that you have but little power, and yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name. <sup>9</sup> Behold, I will make those of the synagogue of Satan who say that they are Jews and are not, but lie—behold, I will make them come and bow down before your feet, and they will learn that I have loved you. <sup>10</sup> Because you have kept my word about patient endurance, I will keep you from the hour of trial that is coming on the whole world, to try those who dwell on the earth. <sup>11</sup> I am coming soon. Hold fast what you have, so that no one may seize your crown. <sup>12</sup> The one who conquers, I will make him a pillar in the temple of my God. Never shall he go out of it, and I will write on him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down from my God out of heaven, and my own new name. <sup>13</sup> He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'

<sup>14</sup> "And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: 'The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God's creation. <sup>15</sup> "I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! <sup>16</sup>

So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth. <sup>17</sup> For you say, "I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing," not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. <sup>18</sup> I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see. <sup>19</sup> Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent. <sup>20</sup> Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me. <sup>21</sup> The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne.<sup>22</sup> He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

The grass withers, the flowers fade, but  
**the word of our God will stand forever.** Is. 40:8

### Intercessory Prayer

### Sermon

"Distractions from the Love of Christ"  
Rev. Gavin Lymberopoulos

## THE BREAD AND WINE

### Prayer of Preparation

### Institution of the Lord's Supper

### † Hymn of Blessing and Sending

"As the Heavens Are Higher"

1. As the heavens are higher than the earth,  
So His ways are higher than the ways of the world,  
And His thoughts run deeper than the mind of man;  
Father break into our darkened hearts.

2. Come and drink the river of his word,  
If you thirst for water that can satisfy;  
Come and join the banquet at the master's feast,  
Where His love and faithfulness provide.

*Chorus: I will trust in you as you speak to me;  
I will turn to you as you call my name!  
As the rain gives life on this arid ground,  
So your word will bring your children home,  
So your word will bring your children home.*

3. Come and listen to His gentle voice,  
For the words he speaks to us are Spirit and life;  
Come and seek your Savior while He may be found,  
Sure that Jesus' words can never lie. (Chorus)

### † Benediction

### † Congregation Standing

**Bold—Congregational Response**