

Camp with Grace

More special events, ongoing programs, Connect Card, and more can be found on our website: yakimagrace.com or on the Yakima Grace App.



Summer is coming! Help us get ready for campers! We provide the tools and a tasty lunch. RSVP online:



Kick off summer with 4 weeks of fun! Each week can be found under June events by scanning the QR:



Experience the tastes, smells, and culture of Africa at our Kids Camp in July! Space is limited... sign up today:



Help us send kids from Adams, Hoover & OnFire to Outreach Camp in June! Scan the QR to give safely online.



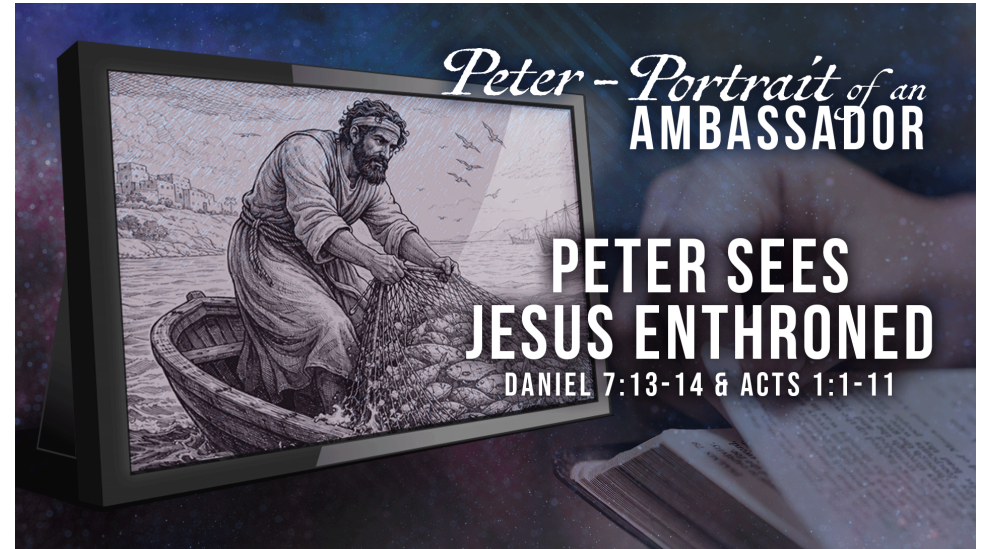
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1. Open the camera on your smartphone.
2. Point at the QR Code and hold your phone steady so the code fits on the screen.
3. Tap the message or link that appears to open. You do NOT need to take a picture.



Grace of Christ Church

To Love Jesus, Love our City, Together in Community - May 3, 2026



WELCOME TO GRACE!

One of the more neglected aspects of the gospel, yet an essential part, is the ascension. The ascension is when Jesus goes to sit at the right hand of the Father. If our gospel is that Jesus does everything and we just receive, then the ascension doesn't make sense. The disciples, like Peter, misunderstood this too. They wanted Jesus to restore the kingdom of God to Israel. Instead, Jesus commissioned them to bear witness to the kingdom. The ascension is essential to the gospel because in the gospels it's the confirmation that Jesus is who he says he is. Jesus, the Son of Man, receives authority from the Ancient of Days (Dan 7:13-14), and then uses that authority to commission his followers with his power.

Rev. Dr. Gregory Wagenfuhr

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9am - Contemporary Worship
 9:15am - Kids & Youth dismissed to their classes
 11am - Traditional Worship - Choir & Organ
 Childcare available on the main floor across from the office

CONNECT WITH US

9 S. 8th Ave, Yakima, WA 98902 | 509.248.7940 | YakimaGrace.com
 Lead Pastor - Rev Dr Gregory Wagenfuhr
 Kids & Families - Sarah Huck | Youth & Young Adults - Kara Candid

PORTRAITS OF AMBASSADORS

“Peter Sees Jesus Enthroned”

Scripture: Daniel 7:13-14; Acts 1:1-11

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STUDY QUESTIONS

Introduction: The Neglected Part of the Gospel

Foundation 1: The Promise of the Holy Spirit

1. Why did Jesus ascend and leave his followers behind? Why would that be a good thing?

2. What’s the point of the Holy Spirit here?

Foundation 2: They Still Don’t Get that the Kingdom isn’t For Israel

3. The misunderstanding of the disciples shows that they still have their priorities reversed. What did they think Jesus was supposed to do?

Foundation 3: Jesus’ Enthronement isn’t an Absence, it’s his Commission

4. What has Jesus commissioned his disciples to do? Why is the geography unexpected?

Implication (So what?): God Sent the Spirit as the Foundation, Power, and Commission of his Ambassadors

5. Acts is the book about apostles and what they do empowered by the Holy Spirit. If Acts 1:1-10 is the introduction that sets the scene, what’s the rest of the book going to be about? And what does that mean for the church?

Application (Now What?): Commissioned to Reveal not Bring nor Own the Kingdom

6. What’s the difference between revealing and building the kingdom? How can you be a witness?

PRAYER

Jesus sits at God’s right hand, delegating his authority to us through the Holy Spirit. Let us pray that God would empower us through his Spirit to reveal to the people around us and to the people of Yakima what the kingdom of God looks like.

COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

All who believe in Jesus as Lord & Savior are invited to our communion table. Please come down the center aisle. Pastor is by the grand piano to offer communion or blessings to those who have yet to accept Jesus as Lord. After the service if you would like to talk to someone about what believing in Jesus means, please connect with one of our worship leaders up front. We’d love to have that chat with you and answer your questions.

UPCOMING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ROSEBUD CELEBRATION

Bruce and Rebecca Whitmore have a new granddaughter! The rosebud this morning is in celebration of the birth of Thea Joy Whitmore, born April 25 to Jonathan and Elizabeth Whitmore in Portland, OR. Congratulations!

HANGING BASKETS - PICK UP ON MAY 5 AFTER 12N

If you ordered a hanging basket from the preschool, they’ll be available for pick up Tues, May 5 after 12noon in the Garden Room. If you haven’t paid yet, please stop by the Welcome Center or bring payment Tuesday. Thank you for supporting our preschool!

YOUTH BAKE SALE - SUNDAYS IN MAY

Stop by the youth table in the Garden Room after both services to get a sweet treat! All proceeds send our youth to camp. The bake sale will be the first 3 weeks in May.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE FOR JUDY TURNER - MAY 9

We pray for the family of Judy Turner, who passed away in 2025. A Celebration of Life Service will be this Saturday, May 9 at 10am in the Sanctuary.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- Wed May 20, 6pm Bingo Night: Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser
- Thu May 21, 7pm Starry Starry Night - An evening of classical & sacred music
- Mon May 25 Memorial Day - Church Closed

WE’RE GLAD YOU’RE HERE!

NEED WIFI?

Network: Guest Wifi PW: JesusLovesMe!

VISITING TODAY?



Follow the QR Code to find out more about what to expect on a Sunday morning.

You will also find info about our Sunday programs for children and teens, as well as how to connect to who we are as a church.

CONNECT CARD



We are glad you’re here! Help us connect with you. Scan the code or fill out a card in the pew racks.

NEED PRAYER?

Our team is available after each service by the piano to pray and connect with you.

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- VIEW the church calendar
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APPLE STORE



GOOGLE PLAY



OR

WAYS TO GIVE

Drop your offering in the offering plate or the secure box after the service.

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