

Connect 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.



THE Lion Chef
Gilbert Kalombo

A Taste of Africa
Kids Camp July 27-30
8-45-12:30 . KINDER-5TH GRADE

Register your kids soon for a week of African food, culture, and fun! Volunteer to help using the same QR:




YOUTH SUMMER SWIM DAYS
JULY 7, 14, 28 * 6-8P * 2551 MAPLEWAY RD
SNACKS & DRINKS PROVIDED
POOL PARTIES: AUG 4 & 11

Mark your calendars for the upcoming youth swim days! Beat the heat with food, friends, and fun. Bring a friend. For more info, contact kara@yakimagrace.com.



SUMMER SUNDAZE
Worship as a family this month!
AUG 9 THRU AUG 30
10AM
ONE SERVICE ONLY

We will have one service at 10am during the month of August. Grace Kids and Youth Clubs are on a break. Worship as a family! Childcare available for under 6.



2027 OFFICERS
ELDERS . DEACONS
NOMINATING COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION FORM

We are praying for 2027 elders, deacons, and nominating committee members. Submit recommendations online:



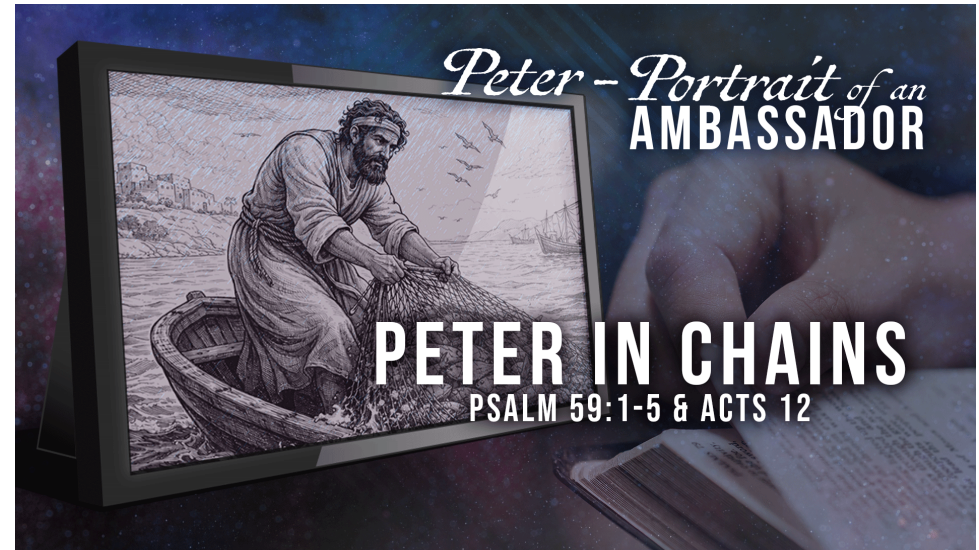
New to QR Codes? Give it a try!

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 - July 5, 2026



Peter - Portrait of an
AMBASSADOR

PETER IN CHAINS
PSALM 59:1-5 & ACTS 12

WELCOME TO GRACE!

As we enter our final month journeying with Peter, the second most mentioned person in the New Testament, we see him imprisoned along with the first martyred disciple: James son of Zebedee. Of course they were following a murdered man, Jesus of Nazareth, and Peter kept reminding them in his sermons that they killed their leader, but he rose again. But now it's about to come home to the church that they were kicking the hornet's nest with their message that Jesus is the true king. They'd been warned, but now the civil authorities have come to shut the movement down. What does the gospel of the kingdom of God mean when we don't see God as king in the world?

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

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Lead Pastor - Rev Dr Gregory Wagenfuhr

Kids & Families - Sarah Huck | Youth & Young Adults - Kara Candid

PORTRAITS OF AMBASSADORS

“Peter in Chains”

Psalm 59:1-5, Acts 12

Rev Dr Gregory Wagenfuhr

STUDY QUESTIONS

Introduction: A Real Hero - The Death of Peter

Foundation 1: The cost of leadership - Peter's a marked man

Foundation 2: Continued expectations of the world's victory

Foundation 3: God is on the Side of His People

Implication: God exalts the humble and brings down the proud...

Application: What character do we have under fire?

Foundation (What?):

1. Herod killed James ben Zebedee who had been with Jesus from the beginning. James was the brother of John, the “beloved disciple” and the author of the gospel of John. Why do you think Herod went after James first?

2. Rhoda and the rest assumed Peter was done for and that a miracle was out of reach, in spite of their prayers. To a people who had gathered together in part because of miracles, why do you think they couldn't imagine his release? What is different about healings vs. imprisonment?

3. What parallels do you see between Jesus' resurrection and Peter's release?

4. Acts tells the story of Ananias and Sapphira as a contrast to Barnabas, and the release of Peter in contrast with the bombast and death of Herod. How does this style of contrasting storytelling show the point Luke (the author) is making?

Implication (So what?):

5. Who else is famous for making the point that God exalts the humble and brings down the arrogant and powerful? How might Luke be connecting early expectations of his gospel with examples of fulfilment later on?

6. Why do you think the arrogant and proud seem to continually get ahead, in spite of the Bible's regular statements that God works against that?

Application (Now What?):

7. What if Acts isn't establishing norms for the rest of the church's history, but showing signs of the foundational character of the church? What would that mean for your expectations of what the Christian life is like?

PRAYER

We can pray firstly for the persecuted church. There are Christians in many parts of the world who face significant threats to their life, livelihood, family, and safety for being followers of Jesus. And we can pray that their own example would inspire us to bear witness to the kingdom like Peter did.

UPCOMING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 a blessing 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.

HUICHOL MISSION PHOTOS AVAILABLE

Make a donation to Grace of Christ Missions and take home a beautiful matted photo of the Huichol people to remind you to pray for them. Photos are in the Garden Room. Donations can be made at the Welcome Center.

CALLED TO GRACE BOOK AVAILABLE AT WELCOME CENTER

Celebrate *Called to Grace* - a vibrant look back at the history of our church over the past 50 years. Experience the stories, memories, milestones, and most importantly, the people who shaped our journey. Purchase your copy at the Welcome Center after service today.

COOKIES FOR SUNDAY

If your last name starts with O-Z, please bring cookies to the Fireside Kitchen before the 9am or 11am service, or drop them off during the week to the main office.

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.

YAKIMA GRACE APP

- VIEW the church calendar
- WATCH Sunday services
- SIGN-UP for events
- SUBMIT your Connect Card
- GIVE Online



OR



WAYS TO GIVE

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

Click on “Give” in the Yakima Grace App.

Give safely on our website: Scan the QR or go to yakimagrace.com/give

