

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.



YOU are invited to use your gifts in our community: Welcome Center, Tech Team, Grace Kids, Choir, Band, Bells, Prayer, & more! Scan the QR to get started.



We're collecting candy! Sign up to bring a car, a dessert for the cake walk, or volunteer at the event.



You are invited to join us at West Valley Church on Sat, Oct 3 for a wonderful evening of fun and support! RSVP and purchase tickets online using the QR.



Meet by 4pm at the church to take the shuttle to the fair. Bring \$10 for your ticket and extra money for food and activities. Sign up at the Student Table.

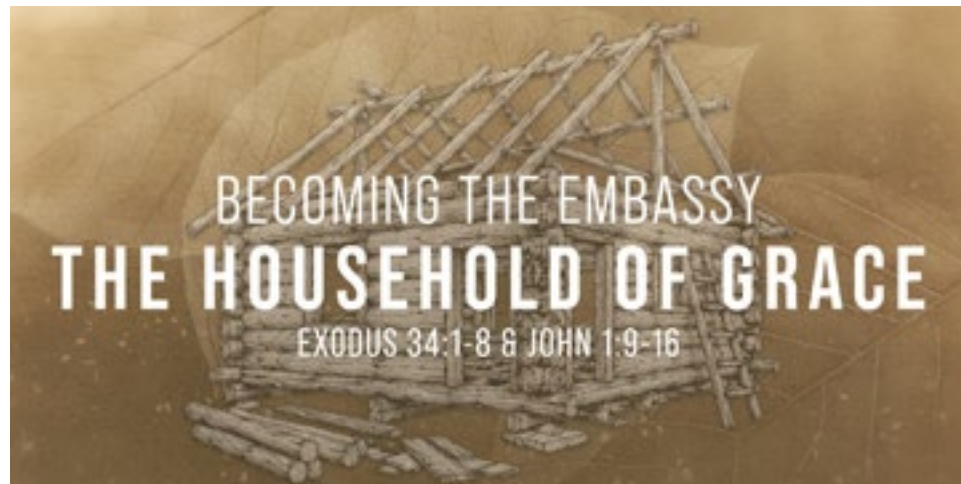
New to QR Codes? Give it a try!

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 - September 27, 2026



WELCOME TO GRACE!

Greetings Friends in Christ!

Grace is a Christianese word *par excellence*. We have saving grace, state of grace, good graces (and goodness gracious!), social graces, saying grace, grace periods, falls from grace, grace notes, and even a dreaded *coup de grace*. But what is grace? This week we're revisiting the name of our institution and a core part of the gospel of Jesus: grace. Perhaps we've thought that grace is for Jesus and is only about forgiveness for our sins. It's certainly that, but so much more. Grace is the very foundational character of God's kingdom, and so it must be so of the embassy church and his ambassadors. Grace is more than something that is free (Latin *gratis*), it is the shape of a community with transformed imaginations about how the whole of creation works.

Rev. Dr. Gregory Wagenfuhr

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9am Contemporary Service

GraceKids & Youth Clubs will be dismissed from service to their classes.

11am Traditional Service

Activity bags for kids are available at the back of the Sanctuary.

Childcare is available during both services for kids 6 and under.

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Lead Pastor - Rev Dr Gregory Wagenfuhr

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

Becoming the Embassy The Household of Grace

Exodus 34:1-8; John 1:9-16 | Rev. Dr. Gregory Wagenfuhr

STUDY QUESTIONS

Introduction: Suspicion and Scarcity
Foundation 1: A Biblical Theology of Grace
Foundation 2: Grace is God's Character
Foundation 3: Jesus is God's Grace
Implications: A Community of Grace is a Gift
Application: Abundance and Grace

FOUNDATIONS (WHAT?)

1. Grace runs throughout the Bible as a major theme. It is expressed in the forgiveness of sins, but it's much bigger than that. It's also the way in which God approaches his creation. What are some other highlights of how God has worked graciously or generously in the Bible?

2. How would you define grace?

3. God revealed himself to Moses in the giving of the law as gracious, so is John 1 making a contrast between law and grace, or is Jesus an intensification, a clarification, of the same character of God who met with Moses?

IMPLICATION (SO WHAT?)

4. How could our local church be a gift to the valley? We often think of getting people to come to church and we often talk about asking people to give to church. What would it mean for church to be given to people?

APPLICATION (NOW WHAT?)

5. Law can create a sense of a contract, that we have expectations of one another, that our primary response is criticism when our wants or felt needs are not being met. Have you approached church with unwritten or unspoken expectations? Have you come to church to seek ways to be a gift to others?

6. What are some ways you could treat one another with grace and adopt an attitude of grace?

PRAYER

Grace is hard work. That is, it's not easy to be generous when we feel like we have a lack, when there's not enough to go around, when we have to protect ourselves. Let us pray that God would make us a house of abundance, of gift, and that we would be forgiving to one another just as God has forgiven us.

Upcoming & Announcements

LAST CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Elders and Deacons serve an important role in the vision, leadership, care, and ministry at Grace of Christ. Have you seen someone at church act as a compassionate leader? Is God nudging YOU to be a leader in His embassy? It starts with a nomination form and a simple conversation. Scan the QR to nominate an Elder or Deacon this morning.



WOW ON TUESDAYS

Women of the Word is back on Tuesday mornings at 9:45a in the Lounge. We'd love for you to join us as we learn about different women of the Bible this fall.

SISTERS IN FAITH ON THURSDAYS

Sisters in Faith will continue through the fall with a *New Book* It's All Under Control: A Journey of Letting Go, Hanging On, and Finding a Peace You Almost Forgot Was Possible by Jennifer Dukes Lee. Thursdays in the Lounge: 5:30p Social Time | 6-8p Lesson.

TRUNK OR TREAT - CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED

Sat Oct 24 is our annual Trunk or Treat! We're starting to collect candy donations at the Welcome Center or new GraceKids check-in counter. Sign up to bring a decorated car, a dessert for the cake walk, or volunteer at the event. Scan the QR or email Sarah@yakimagrace.com for more info!



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 and how to connect with our ministry.

GRACE ALIVE

Read the latest Grace Alive edition to learn who we are as the people God on the mission of God.



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.

YAKIMA GRACE APP

Watch services online, submit a Connect Card, view event calendars, and stay connected with our Grace App:



OR



NEED PRAYER?

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

WAYS TO GIVE

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

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

