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"I've learned much about Jesus in Youth Group as we enjoy time together learning about God while having fun, getting to know each other, interacting with one another, and being able to share and learn more about the gospel. I also enjoy having people who help us out and having someone to talk to. I've learned that Jesus can do so many amazing things in my life and that his plan is way bigger and better than we think."



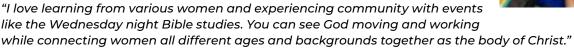
I thank God for all the blessings He gives us every day, and for being part of the group of volunteers at" Adams School. I feel very blessed to be able to help in the events that the church has with the school. It is a great blessing and I invite you to join us as we serve God together!"

"My family fell in love with Grace Preschool the moment we walked in for our tour. We were welcomed with such love. It now feels like family. The teachers are so kind and caring, and I know I can trust them with my children. Our boys have learned so much, not just in regards to writing and numbers, but about Jesus! And that means the world to us.

"I love school! I love music and singing. And I love my teachers and all my friends. And Jesus."



"The KidZone teachers are so relational that it's like they are living, breathing extensions of Christ to our kids. Often our boys will tell us what they learned about the Bible without us even asking them. I'm grateful for the consistency and care of everyone who serves our kids."







# Your Response

Giving is a vital part of our life together and our spiritual health. God wants us to be intentional, regular, and generous givers, just as God is with us.

Wherever you are in your giving, would you commit to praying and asking: "What is the next step God wants me to take in managing all God has entrusted to me?"



#### Our hope is that everyone in our Grace of Christ Family would:

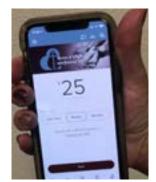
- 1. MAKE A FAITH COMMITMENT Whether you are new to giving, or a long-time giver, take time to pray, asking the Lord how He wants you to give of your time, talents and treasures. Then, set a goal of regular, generous and sacrificial giving to the Lord. Please fill out the attached 2023 Faith Commitment of Giving Card and bring it to worship on Commitment Sunday, November 20.
- 2. CONSIDER INCREASING YOUR CURRENT COMMITMENT If you are already a regular giver, please prayerfully consider the Lord's next step for your sacrificial giving.
- 3. CONSIDER SIGNING UP FOR ONLINE/AUTOMATIC GIVING This is a convenient and easy way to help balance-out our giving throughout the year - just go to YakimaGrace.com and click GIVE.

## **CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING**

We are pleased to offer SECURE ONLINE GIVING available on our website and in the Yakima Grace APP, as an option for individuals and families as they make choices about their giving. Online giving has several advantages such as managing giving from home and scheduling one-time or recurring gifts.

It also helps our Church Family better balance expenses and revenue on a monthly basis. To learn more, go to YAKIMAGRACE.COM/GIVE or call the Office, 248-7940x104.

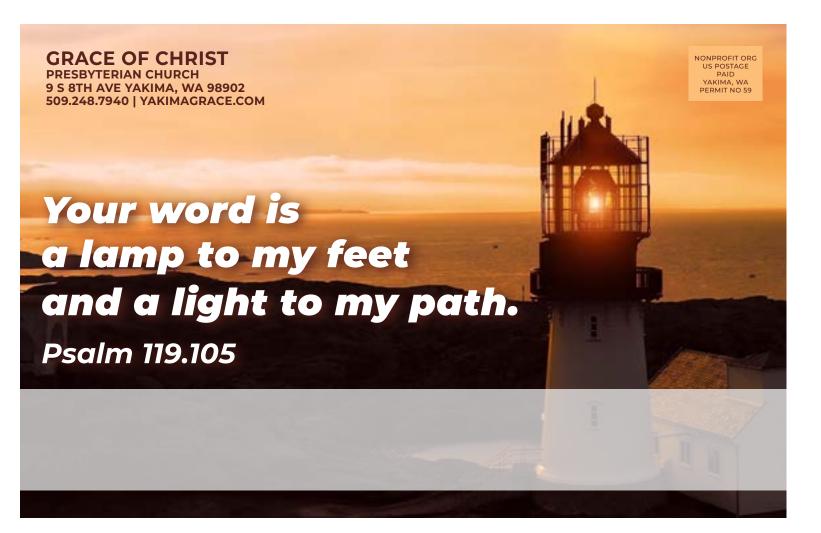
| I/we prefer traditional giving envelopes



"With online giving, I know that my gift to God through Grace is given the first day of every month right off the top of my paycheck! Plus, it is easy to give special gifts, such as Outreach Camp or Adams Giving Tree. I know that online giving helps the Church to better plan for ministry. A real WIN-WIN! I LOVE it!"

### 2023 FAITH COMMITMENT OF GIVING TO GRACE OF CHRIST

Please	e detach this card and bring it to church on COMMITMENT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20 or mail to church
Name(s)_	Email
Signature	e Phone
	I/we prayerfully commit \$ to the GENERAL CHURCH BUDGET  to be given
	OR: I/we will continue to give regularly
	I/we would like assistance signing up for Online Giving
	1/we want to learn about identifying & using my/our Spiritual Gifts





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Dear Grace of Christ Family.

Stewardship is not a minor theme in God's plan for our lives. We are called by God to steward (take care of) all He has given us: our time, our abilities, our families, our resources, the world around us, each of our relationships, our city, our church. Every year we set aside a few Sundays to focus on how we, together, can best steward Grace of Christ. How can we honor God as we care for the church (people much more than buildings) He has given us? This year our stewardship theme remains "light". We live in troubling times. So many are desperately hoping for something real, something true, something solid, something that will bring light into the darkness around them and in them. We believe the only hope for us, and for them, is not something ... it is Someone, Jesus. He is the light of the world (John 8:12). When, not if, the storms come and the darkness closes in, what course will we set to navigate the dangerous times ahead? Thankfully the light of Jesus shines bright, His way is clear, and He goes with us.

Grace of Christ physically stands at the corner of Yakima Avenue and 8th, and wonderfully and miraculously God works through each of us to extend the love and light of Jesus to our families, our neighborhoods, our city, and our world. We are committed to serve, committed to love, committed to risk, committed to give ourselves away for the benefit of others. He has given us everything, even eternity. How will we, guided by the light of God's love and grace, steward what we have been given?

Your 2023 Grace of Christ Stewardship Committee Bill Dolsen, Todd Lincoln, Tom Oliva, Gloria Valencia

For it is you who light my lamp; the Lord my God lightens my darkness. Psalm 18.28