

NEW TO GC?

Stop by the Connection Desk today after our worship assembly. We'd love to meet you!

WELCOME!

Hello GC Family!

The following is an excerpt from an article that I wrote for Renew.org, which ties in with this week's message. I hope that you will take a moment to read through it in its entirety, if you're able.

"You are probably familiar with the story. It's one we often pair with the birth of the Christ, though in reality the events described in Matthew 2:1-17 seem to have occurred within the first two years following Jesus' birth and are not paired directly with it. Matthew tells us that some time after Jesus had been born there were wise men, Magi, who came from the East looking for the one who had been born king of the Jews.

How they came about this information is not exactly clear. Many have speculated, but for the purposes of this short article, let's simply agree that through the designs of God the Father, these wise men were let in on the secret of the Messiah's coming. They were given a star to follow, one that would lead them to the place of his arrival. Whatever they knew and however they knew it, they were compelled to come find this king.

He deserved their honor, their gifts, and their worship."

You can read the rest of the article at renew.org/the-herod-in-me.

Blessings,
Paul



UPCOMING



For more details on upcoming events, see the GC Events calendar online or in the GC app.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Hosanna

Welcome

Rob Shaver

Agnus Dei
Emmanuel (Hallowed Manger Ground)

Communion

Steven Ramsey

Highly Exalted

Offering & Kids Dismissal

Rob Shaver

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
O Come, All Ye Faithful

Message: **Jesus, the King**
Savior, King, and Word • Part 2 of 4

Paul Huyghebaert

Hosanna! You're My King

Next Steps

Rob Shaver

Shepherd's Prayer

Dallas Rodgers

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT

"Your statutes are wonderful; therefore I obey them. The unfolding of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple. I open my mouth and pant, longing for your commands. Turn to me and have mercy on me, as you always do to those who love your name. Direct my footsteps according to your word; let no sin rule over me. Redeem me from the oppression of men, that I may obey your precepts. Make your face shine upon your servant and teach me your decrees. Streams of tears flow from my eyes, for your law is not obeyed" (Psalm 119:129-136).

Heavenly Father, even today, in the midst of blessings on top of blessings, there is widespread neglect of your Word. As your prophet said long ago, "truth has been thrown onto the street and trampled." O LORD, may you sustain a remnant who will not turn away—a light that will not grow dim, and a faith that overcomes. We pray in the only Name by which we can be saved, Jesus, our LORD, amen.

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

gracechapelchurch.com/prayerrequests



ALPHABET CHRISTMAS: Merry Christmas! We are using the alphabet this month as a fun way to introduce the true story about how God gave us Jesus. One day—sooner than we think—our now preschoolers are going to grow up and start asking some hard questions. We want the answer to be right there and ready for them—I know God loves me because God gave us Jesus.

REMEMBER THIS: "God has given a son to us." *Isaiah 9:6, NCV*



LIGHT SHOW: For many of us, Christmas lights are the best and brightest part of Christmas celebrations. People celebrate big at Christmas because there's Someone big to celebrate: Jesus! The best gift God ever gave was Jesus. Because of Jesus, it's possible for us to have a relationship with God that will last forever. As we remember the Christmas story, we take time to celebrate the greatest gift the world has ever known.

REMEMBER THIS: "God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son. Anyone who believes in Him will not die but will have eternal life." *John 3:16, NIV*



YOUTH NIGHT

Sundays, 5-8 p.m., GC Youth Room

For anyone in 6th-12th grades to explore how to follow Jesus and to connect with others in a safe, fun environment. Bring your own dinner.



YOUTH NIGHT SCHEDULE

TONIGHT: Youth Night, 5-8 p.m. "Christmas Morning"

12/19: Youth Night, 5-8 p.m. "Christmas Party"

12/26: NO Youth Night - Merry Christmas!

For more details on upcoming events, see the GC Youth calendar online or in the GC app.



STAY CONNECTED

Text your code to 81010:

GC Youth Parents: @gcymparents
Middle School Students: @gcymms
High School Students: @gcymhs

FOLLOW US!

@gcyouthga



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SERVICES

Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

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LAST WEEK (12/5/21)

On-site Attendance 351

YTD Contributions \$1,037,410



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