

**GROW**

**NEW HERE?**

**WHEN GOD SPEAKS**

**TODAY'S MESSAGE**

*Hope Behind the Scenes* - Pastor Angie Way

In the book of Habakkuk, the prophet asks God the questions, "How long?" and "Why?" and comes to realize real hope comes not from the answers but in knowing the one who will answer.

**NOTES:**

Lined area for taking notes.

**Here are three things you can do while you're here:**

- Help yourself to **free coffee and cookies** in the Commons.
- **Stop by the big Orange Wall** for a free gift! You'll also find answers to any of your questions and other resources about our church family.
- If you're ready, let us know you were here by **going to [myorangewall.com](http://myorangewall.com)**.

**KIDS & STUDENTS**

**HISKids PATHFINDERS** (for infants through age three) meets today in the Nursery.

**HISKids VOYAGERS, ADVENTURERS, & TRAILBLAZERS** (for preschool through grade six) meet weekly September through May, except the first Sunday of each month, when every generation worships together.

**REFUGE & CONFIRMATION** (grades 7-12) gather weekly on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. September through May. Visit [gracepeople.church/refuge](http://gracepeople.church/refuge) for upcoming events.

Information about summer events can be found on our website at [gracepeople.church](http://gracepeople.church).



**GIVING**

- **Give online** at [gracepeople.church/give](http://gracepeople.church/give). Giving online is a convenient way to give, designate your gifts, and set up recurring gifts.
- **Checks or cash** can be placed in the offering basket as it passes during the designated time in the service. Make checks out to Community of Grace or CGLC.

**Welcome**  
WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

**WELCOME**

to Community of Grace!

You are loved and welcomed in this place. Our love for you isn't based on what you've done in the past or where you've been previously that has brought you here today. Jesus' love isn't conditional either.

You are safe here. Take a breath and look around you. We may appear like we have it all together, but we struggle in some of the same areas as you. We are a community of grace, mostly because we all need a little grace and peace in our lives. Grace is here because Jesus is here.



**FOLLOW ALONG**

Bibles are available at the back of the worship space. Or, use your device.



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Welcome and Announcements  
*What A Friend We Have in Jesus* - Green Hymnal 439  
 Confession & Forgiveness - Green Hymnal pg. 77

HISKids' Message - Habakkuk  
 The Sharing of the Peace - Green Hymnal pg. 86

Reading - Habakkuk 2:2-3, 3:2, 17-18  
 (Quest Study Bible pp. 1371, 1373, 1374)  
 Gospel Verse & Acclamation - Green Hymnal pg. 83  
 Gospel Reading - Luke 18:1-8 (pg. 1537-38)  
 Gospel Response - Green Hymnal pg. 83  
 Message - *Hope Behind the Scenes*  
*Morning Has Broken*

Apostles' Creed - Green Hymnal pg. 85  
 Offering - Becky Smith  
 Offertory Response and Prayer- Green Hymnal pp. 86 & 87

**Communion**  
*(All are welcome at the table.)*

Words of Institution  
 Our Lord's Prayer - Green Hymnal pg. 91  
 Lamb of God... - Green Hymnal pg. 92  
*Jesus Loves Me*  
*Precious Lord, Take My Hand* - Blue Hymnal 731

Benediction - Romans 15:5-6  
*Abide With Me* - Green Hymnal 272, sts. 1, 4  
 Dismissal - Green Hymnal pg. 95

**COMING UP**



**School Tools Drive | Now through August 12**  
 Did you know we are the only church who donates school supplies to WBL Schools? Stop by the table in the Commons today, pick up a list, and find out how you can make a difference in a student's life in White Bear Lake and abroad!



**Senior Adult Newsletter**  
 The August newsletter for the Senior Adult Ministry (retirees) was mailed and copies are also available at the Information Desk. If you would like to join the mailing list, stop by the Information Desk.



**HISKids Sunday School begins September 16**  
 Children (age three through grade six) experience small and large groups that include hands-on experiences to help them grow to be disciples of Jesus on **SUNDAYS at 9 & 10:30 A.M.** To register your child for HISKids, go to [gracepeople.church](http://gracepeople.church).



**Refuge & Confirmation**  
 Refuge & Confirmation for teenagers begin their fall schedule starting **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, at 6:30 P.M.** Visit our website to sign up and learn more.



**Growth Groups**  
 There's a place for you to follow Jesus in a circle with others. Look for more information later this fall about the October 7 Connection Event.



**Haiti Service Trip | January 12-19, 2019**  
 The 2019 Haiti Service Trip plans are being finalized. Is God putting it on your heart to go? Ask him, then stop by the Orange Wall or contact Perry Petersen.



**Recycled Greeting Cards For Sale**  
 Tired of spending \$3-4 on greeting cards? CGLC volunteers recycle greeting cards into "new" cards which are being sold **TODAY** for 50¢ each (including an envelope). Check out the selection in the Commons.

Printed calendars and information on additional opportunities can be found at the Information Desk or at [gracepeople.church](http://gracepeople.church).

*Transition*

**TRANSITION TEAM UPDATE**

- Pastor Angie has arranged for a distinguished list of pastors to provide Sunday morning preaching support during this time of transition. We did want to clarify that these are guest pastors and not pastoral candidates. The Council will arrange a meet and greet event only after a candidate has been recommended by the Call Committee and approved by the Church Council. The timing of this process is in God's hands. In the meantime, please extend a very warm welcome to the pastors who are assisting during this time of transition.
- Renovations to the Fellowship Hall are coming along nicely with plans to reopen on Kick-Off Sunday, September 9.
- The open Communications, Marketing, and Creative Director position has recently been posted. If you know of qualified candidates, please direct them to Jeff Montgomery.
- Please join us in supporting and recognizing our current staff who are stepping into open roles and responsibilities to assure our church continues to run smoothly.

Questions for the Transition Team can be sent by email to [transition@gracepeople.church](mailto:transition@gracepeople.church). Contact information for a specific individual member can be found in myCG or by asking at the Information Desk.

**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

January - July 2018	General	Missions
Actual Income	\$742,020	\$27,999
Budget Income	\$828,940	\$28,000
Difference	(\$86,850)	(\$1)

Thank you for your continued generosity and for helping us to meet our missions budget!