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WHEN GOD SPEAKS

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Fully Alive - Keith Lomen, Guest Pastor

The prophet Zechariah, like his counterpart Haggai, calls God's people to rebuild his temple. He also foretells of the coming Messiah, a King; yet arriving on a donkey. In Matthew's text, Jesus the Servant King invites us to be with him and to know him. It is in this knowing that we are most fully alive, discovering ourselves, and reflecting His character and glory.

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FOLLOW ALONG

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



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**.

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, 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. Visit gracepeople.church/refuge for upcoming events.

GIVING

- **Give online** at 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.



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Welcome and Announcements

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less - Green Hymnal 294, sts. 1, 2, 3

Confession & Forgiveness - Green Hymnal pg. 77

HISKids Message - Zechariah

The Sharing of the Peace - Green Hymnal pg. 86

Reading - Zechariah 1:3-6, 9:9-10

(Quest Study Bible pp. 1386, 1396)

Gospel Verse & Acclamation - Green pg. 83

Gospel Reading - Matthew 11:25-30 (p. 1428)

Gospel Response - Green pg. 83

Message - *Fully Alive*

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling - Green Hymnal 315, sts. 1, 3, 4

Apostles' Creed - Green Hymnal pg. 85

Offering - *Rejoice in the Lord Always* - Sharon Greiner

played by Graham Hennig

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

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go - Green Hymnal 324

Special Music - *His Eye is on the Sparrow* - Mark Hayes

Anne Gleason, soloist

Staff Appreciation

Benediction

Go, My Children, With My Blessing - Blue Hymnal 721, sts. 1, 4

Dismissal - Green Hymnal pg. 95

FINANCIAL UPDATE

January - August 19, 2018

General

Actual Income

\$819,467

Budget Income

\$911,692

Difference

(\$92,225)

COMING UP



Roll Into Fall | September 9

Join us for cinnamon rolls from 9 a.m. to noon as we kickoff the fall ministry season. Information will be available in the commons for people of all ages regarding groups.



Women's Movie Night | September 14

Women of Grace (Women's Ministry) invites all women to see the movie *War Room*. We'll gather at 6:30 p.m. for snacks; the movie begins at 7 p.m. Invite your friends - all are welcome.



Next Step Lunch | September 23 at 11:45 a.m.

If you've been a member for 20 years - or if this is only your first or second visit - wherever you're at in life right now; you can take a next step with Jesus. Have lunch on us! Sign up at the Orange Wall.



HISKids Sunday School begins September 16

On **SUNDAYS at 9 & 10:30 a.m.**, Children (ages three through grade six) experience small and large groups which include hands-on experiences to help them grow to be disciples of Jesus. To register your child for HISKids, go to gracepeople.church.



Refuge & Confirmation

Refuge & Confirmation for teenagers begins their fall schedule **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, AT 6:30 p.m.** Visit our website to sign up and learn more.



Haiti Service Trip | January 12-19, 2019

The 2019 Haiti Service Trip dates have been finalized for January 12-19. Is God putting it on your heart to go? Ask him and then stop by the Orange Wall or visit our website.



Growth Groups

There's a place for you to follow Jesus in a circle with others. Look for more information this fall about the October 7 Connection Event or check out our website for more options.

Printed calendars and information on additional opportunities can be found at the Information Desk or at gracepeople.church.

Transition

FINANCIAL UPDATE

As a church, we are talking a lot about income this year.

Unfortunately, our income has been lagging behind our budget pace since the start of the year. We do not have a "silver bullet" reason for why income is behind, but one thing we do know is that this is not a unique phenomenon to CGLC alone.

Through many conversations with other ministry leaders, it is clear that multiple church and para-church organizations are experiencing the same dramatic fluctuation in giving for 2018. There is a lot of speculation about why this is happening, with the recent tax code changes topping the list. Whatever the reason(s), the effects are real and we are working to educate, inform, and challenge our congregation to see us through a fully-funded year of ministry in 2018.

We found ourselves on a pretty steady decline from January through May. At that point, we were approximately \$90,000 behind budget pace. Through the summer we have been publishing our giving totals weekly and have been able to low the pace of decline compared to the start of the year. While this is still a very big number to make up by year's end it is encouraging that we have gone through our "leanest" financial months and have not added to our shortfall considerably.

We will continue to inform the congregation of our financial progress and budgetary needs heading into the Fall. The fourth quarter is always our biggest time period for giving. This congregation has proven, time and time again, that it will respond generously in times of need. Fully-funding ministry in 2018 will lay a solid foundation for a new Senior Pastor's arrival in 2019. Thank you for the part you are playing in making this happen!

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