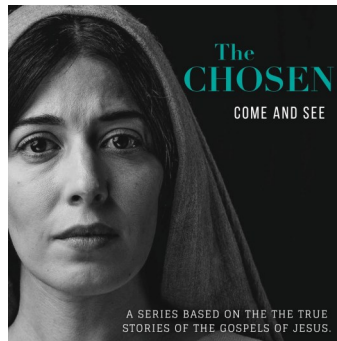




Pastor Doug Widger (Lead Shepherd) | Pastor Steve Roth (Community Care)  
Dr. Serena Pace (DCE - Director of Ministries) | Mr. Will Land (Music Director)  
Mrs. Laura Scott (Director of Early Education) | Rev. Russell Hildebrant (Pastor Emeritus)

## THE CHOSEN Is Back!



The Chosen – the award winning Christian historical drama depicting the life and ministry of Jesus that has been watched by over 280 million people will return on Wednesday evenings in MR2 at 7:00PM, beginning June 4. *Come along and bring a friend too!*

## Summer Series — “Everyday Tools”

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Each Sunday, from June 15 through July 27, we will explore and learn how to use some of the everyday “tools” which God has given to his precious church.

**June 15 — Everyday Tool: The Word**

**June 22 — Everyday Tool: Prayer**

**June 29 — Everyday Tool: Testimony**

**July 6 — Everyday Tool: Encouragement**

**July 13 — Everyday Tool: Integrity**

**July 20 — Everyday Tool: Friends**

**July 27 — Everyday Tool: God’s Spirit**



## Men’s Ministry

**Saturday, July 12 – Meet at Grace @ 9:00 AM, in Fireside Room** for breakfast and a devotion. Then we will proceed to the National Medal of Honor Museum. Cost will be \$20 per person.

Men’s Breakfast on Saturday, September 6 @ 8:00-9:30 AM, featuring Coach Tom Mueller. Tom has been a football coach at five colleges and universities, including TCU. He has also served as Men’s Ministry staff leaders for St. Paul Lutheran Church in Fort Worth, leads a jail ministry, a ministry in a senior adult center, longtime Bible Study Fellowship participant and has worked for Young Life. His passion for ministry and love for God’s word are infectious and will bless all who attend.

# FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

## SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDIES

10:45—11:45 a.m.

- Babies-3 y/o in Nursery
- Preschool 4's-K in GLEE wing
- Grades 1-6 in GLEE wing
- Grades 7-8 in MR4
- Grades 9-12 in Youth Shed
- Biblical Parenting Group in GLEE wing



JUNE 1, FLC GYM, 11 AM  
YOUTH & ELEMENTARY FAMILIES

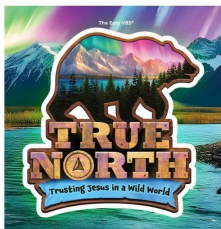


TODDLERS—PRE-K 4  
( & Parent/Guardian)

**JUNE 17 & JULY 15,**  
**9:30—11 AM**

Meet for a splashing-good time with other young families! Eat popsicles under the shade! Find us on the South side of Grace. Wear a swimsuit/swim diaper. Bring a towel, lawn chair and water bottles. *To register and ask questions, email Serena at [space@grace.lc](mailto:space@grace.lc) or call 817-274-1626.*

## VACATION BIBLE CAMP JUNE 23-26, 2025; 9AM-12PM



- FUN & FREE!
- FOR INCOMING GRADES 1-6 (FALL '25)
- ALL STAFF IS SAFETY TRAINED & BACKGROUND CHECKED.
- FAMILY PICNIC ON THURSDAY!
- PARTICIPANTS & VOLUNTEERS REGISTER AT [VBS.GRACE.LC](https://vbs.grace.lc) NOW THROUGH JUNE 18.



SAT., JUNE 21, 9AM—3PM VBC Prep  
(Donuts & Lunch provided)

SUN., JUNE 22, 12—5PM (lunch provided)  
and VBC Prep

SIGN UP in NARTHEX LOBBY for DONATION  
ITEMS & TO VOLUNTEER!



## BLAZE WEEK Local Mission Camp

THEME: So Much More...  
Experiencing the Abundance of God  
July 7-10, 9am-4 pm, \$60

**SIGN UP NOW!**

For Incoming GRADE 6 - Completed  
GRADE 12

A week of local service, mission, and fun!  
Includes: Large Group/Small Group, Daily Service and Mission Opportunity, Lunch (Pizza, Hot Dogs, Tacos, Chicken Strips) and Fun Activity Off Campus (Swim, Scavenger Hunt, Mini Golf, and more). Contact Serena to sign up, ask questions, or to volunteer! [space@grace.lc](mailto:space@grace.lc); 817-274-1626, x 1002



JULY 18—24

Please begin to pray for LCMS  
YOUTH GATHERING  
PARTICIPANTS: Lexie A., Shahid A., Lillikoi M., Serena P., Makena R., and Miranda W.

UPCOMING MEETING:  
JUNE 29, 12 PM  
Lunch is included.







# GRADUATE SUNDAY

JUNE 8, 12 PM  
 Graduation Lunch for Max Nieves in FLC  
 Gym for Youth Families.  
 RSVP to Serena by June 5 please.

**grace**Seniors

JUNE 12, 12 PM  
 LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING. LUNCH  
 PROVIDED.  
 RSVP with Serena, please.  
 Thank you, Grace Seniors for your input for  
 the program year ahead!



"... EVERYONE WHO  
 LIVES AND BELIEVES IN ME  
 WILL NEVER DIE.  
 DO YOU BELIEVE THIS?"

JOHN 11:26, NASB

Young Adult  
**LUNCH**  
**FUZZY'S**  
**TACO SHOP**  
**JUNE 1ST**  
**AT 12:15PM**  
**FUZZY'S TACOS**

510 E. Abram St., Arlington, TX 76010

SUNDAY YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY, 11 AM  
 STARTS 6/22 IN CONFERENCE ROOM

Lamentations 3:22-23  
 Because of the LORD's great love we are not  
 consumed, for His compassions never fail. They are  
 new every morning; great is Your faithfulness

**Sisters In Christ**

Women of Grace — Thank you for filling out  
 the Women's Ministry Survey. The feedback  
 was helpful!

**Fellowship Dinner Out**

June 17, 5:30pm at EL GABACHO  
 (2408 W. Abram St. Arlington, TX 76013)

Everyone will pay for themselves. Please  
 RSVP to Serena by JUNE 12th.

## GENERAL GRACE NEWS



We look to God's word when we are challenged in life and in ministry to the children of Liberia. "Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart...So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal." 2 Corinthians 4:1, 18.

When things don't go as planned in Liberia, we take a step back and rely on our Lord Jesus to provide the answers in his time. We recently learned that the survey of our property shorted us three lots which is  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an acre. This stopped the building of the new school until the land could be resurveyed to identify where the roads and alleys would be located. If we built the school on the road, we would have to tear it down and start over so work on building the new school was halted from February to mid-May until a new survey could be completed.

We all have some of these surprises in life and we, as a board, had to say Lord this is your school and wait for the resurvey of the property. Change Agent Network, our partner in Liberia, has handled the resurvey and construction is beginning the last week of May 2025. CAN has assured us that the school will be completed in September before the school year begins in Monrovia. Our focus through this time has been on the unseen which is the Lord who rules our hearts and fixes the issues before us. May we focus on the unseen of how lives will be changed to know Jesus as Lord and Savior! May we focus on the unseen of how a country will be changed to know Jesus as Lord and Savior! Lord Jesus increase our faith and give us clarity through these times of uncertainty.

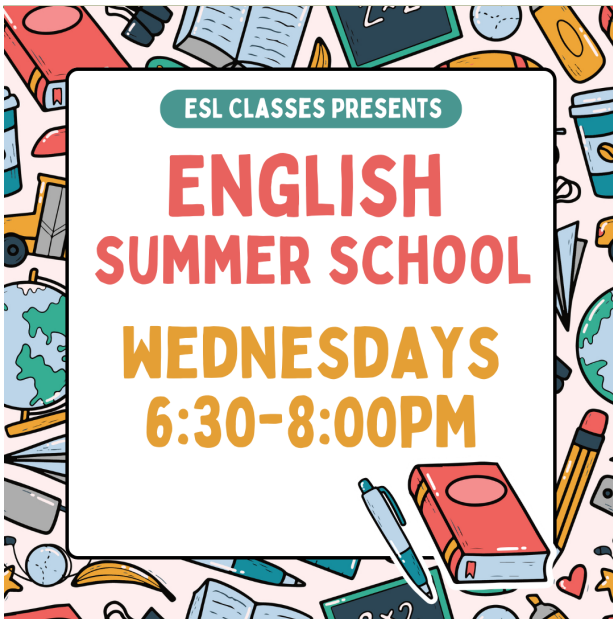
Thank you for your prayers that are unseen but are heard in heaven. As it says in Hebrews 4:16, "Let us approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need."

Blessings in Jesus,

*Pastor Russell Hildebrandt*

# HISPANIC MINISTRY NEWS

## ESL Summer School



We have launched an English Summer School on Wednesday evenings from 6:30–8:00PM and **we need your help!** We're looking for 6 volunteers each week to assist students with their English pronunciation and engage in fun, simple activities around the table.

No teaching experience is needed — just a willingness to help others learn and feel supported. Training will be provided. For more information, please contact Serena ([space@grace.lc](mailto:space@grace.lc) or [817-274-1626](tel:817-274-1626)).

## Service Of Blessing

Mark your calendars and join us for our Service of Blessing on Sunday, August 3, 2025.

Last year, approximately 200 kids from our community received a special blessing and a bag filled with supplies to begin the new school year.

We encourage you to pray about how you can help us and support this year.

### You can help by:

- Donating school supplies. A supplies list and place to drop off the supplies is in our Narthex/lobby.
- Donating money for this cause: **CHECK MEMO (SCHOOL SUPPLIES 2025)** or online giving.
- Bagging supplies (*a sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex/lobby*).
- Helping host at the reception after the back-to-school service.
- Praying for this event as we serve, care for, and share the Good News of Christ to our community.

To volunteer or any other questions, please contact Serena, Vicar Roberto or Deaconess Intern Lucy.

A graphic for the Blessing Service. It features a green apple shape in the center with the text 'SCHOOL SUPPLY SUPPORT' in a red banner at the top, 'BLESSING SERVICE' in large yellow letters in the middle, and 'AUGUST 3, 2025' in yellow at the bottom. Surrounding the apple are various school supplies: a blue backpack, a red pencil, a blue marker, a paint palette, a soccer ball, and a wooden cross with a green ribbon. Below the apple, there is a brown banner with white text: 'IF RECEIVING SCHOOL SUPPLIES THIS YEAR WOULD BE A BLESSING FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY, MAKE SURE TO REGISTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!'. At the bottom left, there is a calendar icon and the text 'REGISTRATION ENDS July 20, 2025'. Below that is a location pin icon and the text 'GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH 210 W. Park Row Dr. Arlington, Tx 76010'. At the bottom right, there is a green box with white text: 'Registrations: Visit us in [PERSON] and fill out a form SPACE IS LIMITED'.



# HISPANIC MINISTRY NEWS



**SOCCER CAMP**

**FC GRACE**  
BELIEVE. BELONG. BECOME.

Boys & Girls aged 8 - 14 years

**Register in person today**

June 30 - July 3  
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

**JOIN US FOR FREE!**

**Grace Lutheran Church**  
210 W. Park Row Dr. Arlington, TX 76010

## Soccer Camp 2025

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

We are excited and looking forward to having our soccer camp this year!

June 30-July 3 (5:00pm-7:00pm)

If you would like to help us on a mission and serve our community or for any other question, *please contact Vicar Roberto or Deaconess Intern Lucy at 8174-274-*

## Spanish Worship Service



We're grateful to see God at work through our Spanish Worship services! Recently, we celebrated the baptism of **Isai Rodriguez Paniagua**, our newest Spanish-speaking member. She is truly a blessing!

Please keep our Spanish ministry in your prayers as we continue sharing the Good News of Christ with our community.

## ESL Has Been Incredible!

Our 2024-2025 ESL course has come to a close and what a great year it was!

Through ESL, we've had incredible opportunities for outreach, and many of our Spanish-speaking members first connected with Grace through this ministry. We're so grateful to God for His work and to all the amazing volunteers and teachers who made it possible. Thank you for your support and service!





# CELEBRATING FATHER'S DAY

## THE HOLY SMOKERS ARE SMOKING AGAIN!

The Holy Smokers are smoking St. Louis Style Spareribs, pork loins, & sausage (mild 14 oz. or spicy 12 oz.) on **Saturday, June 14th.**

Orders must be PRE-PAID.

**ORDER DEADLINE: June 8th at 12PM**

Make checks out to **Grace Lutheran Church: (memo to) Holy Smokers.**

**RIBS (per slab)..... \$35**

**HALF PORK LOIN..... \$20**

**WHOLE PORK LOIN..... \$40**

**SAUSAGE (mild or spicy):**

**\$8 per ring**

**\$15 for 2 rings**

### HOW TO PLACE YOUR ORDER:

- Sign-up sheet in the Narthex
- Call **Brian Rukavina** (817-229-9703)
- Call **Ernie Owens** (817-247-0747)

**Pickup time is around 2:00PM on Saturday, June 14th.**  
**We will call Saturday with updated pick-up time.**

**COME  
JOIN US!**

## Women's Choir

**COME MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!**

**We rehearse on Wednesdays at 6:15PM.**

**Contact Will Land for questions at**

**wland@grace.lc.**



### Pushpay Instructions

1. Use your cell phone text messaging feature.
2. Type (833) 630-9900 in the send to line
3. Type GRACELC in the message line.
4. Press to send message.  
*Almost immediately you will receive a message back thanking you for your generosity.*
5. Click the link shown in the message.
6. This takes you to the page where you will see our church logo.
7. You have the option to make a gift to the church's ministries.
8. You can insert the dollar amount of the gift.
9. You can choose the frequency of the gift (one-time gift or recurring gifts).
10. Choose the fund type (tithes, etc.).
11. Click Next.
12. You will be able to confirm the details you just chose, then add your credit card or bank account information, and it can be stored for you or not, as you desire.
13. Check the box to authorize the transaction.
14. Press GIVE, and you are done.



**Pushpay**





## Honorariums & Memorials

A Memorial is a monetary gift designated to a Grace Ministry as a living memorial in memory of a loved one or a friend.

### LIBRARY RENOVATION MEMORIAL

This gift has been gratefully received from the entire Jeske family in memory of Jo Ann Jeske who was called to her Eternal Home in Heaven.

## Thank You Note

Dear Grace Family,

I am grateful for all the Grace members' prayers during my 3-years of health issues. The prayers contributed to helping resolve the pneumonia hospitalization that occurred in March 2022. Then, I was diagnosed with AML Leukemia cancer in July 2022, followed by a blood clot in September. After numerous chemo sessions, I received a stem cell transplant from a young doner in March 2023. After being declared cancer-free in November 2024, E. coli infection was diagnosed in my blood. My brain is now that of an 18-year-old, my energy and activity level is that of a 23-year-old, but when standing up after sitting for a long time I feel like I've fought in the Civil War.

I am truly thankful for the members who provided dinners, cards, flowers and a beautiful food basket. It's very nice to be able to return in person to the church services. The remodeled and updated Sanctuary is very welcoming.

Thanks,

*Paul Wolter*





## Your Elders Are Here for You

If there is any way we can assist you with any spiritual needs or physical concerns, do not hesitate to contact your elder. If you need their contact information, please request it by calling the church at 817-274-1626 or email: [churchoffice@grace.lc](mailto:churchoffice@grace.lc).

New to Grace? Reference the adjacent list. If your last name begins with "M," for example, Mike Curtis would be your assigned elder.

*Joseph C. Masterson*

### ELDERS & THEIR ASSIGNED MEMBERS

Ernie Owens	A-B
Hank Jacobs	C-E
David Swille	F-H
Mike Kennedy	I-L
Mike Curtis	M-O
Ernie Owens	P-R
Joe Masterson	S
Jim Schmidt	T-Z

Head Elder:  
Joe Masterson

## Save the Date



- ◇ Pentecost  
Sunday, June 8th
- ◇ Flag Day, June 14th
- ◇ Trinity Sunday, June 15th
- ◇ Father's Day, June 15th
- ◇ Juneteenth, June 19th
- ◇ First Day of Summer, June 20th



## JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



- |                        |                       |                                  |
|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 6/1 Michael Chavez     | 6/14 Sasha Green      | 6/2 Shahid & Lindsay Ali         |
| 6/3 Katy Schmidt       | 6/15 Robert Matthys   | 6/6 Joe & Nancy Masterson        |
| 6/3 Nancy Helm         | 6/18 Gene Rosentreter | 6/13 Howard & Dawn Stacy         |
| 6/4 Devon Scoggins     | 6/19 Kathy Rawson     | 6/15 Brian & Ann Bassett         |
| 6/4 Maryann Jacobs     | 6/20 Richard Crossman | 6/20 David & Cathy Taylor        |
| 6/6 Santa George       | 6/21 Andrew Swille    | 6/20 Eric & Bette Rathjen        |
| 6/7 Brent Reynolds     | 6/21 David R. Joeckel | 6/22 Arnold & Santa George       |
| 6/7 Mark Joeckel       | 6/21 Jim Schmidt      | 6/22 Scott & Chelsie Schlesinger |
| 6/8 Michael Smith      | 6/27 Eileen Watkins   | 6/24 Glenn & Mary Moretz         |
| 6/10 Brent Burns       | 6/27 Patrick Curtis   | 6/25 David & Reecanne Joeckel    |
| 6/10 Karen Widger      | 6/28 Michael Baumann  | 6/25 James & Jan Runzheimer      |
| 6/10 Naomi Seaver      | 6/29 Linda Johnson    | 6/27 Red & Susan Hoar            |
| 6/11 Glenn Moretz      |                       | 6/29 Miguel & Jessica Nieves     |
| 6/11 Mike Campbell     |                       |                                  |
| 6/12 Stephanie Schmidt |                       |                                  |
| 6/13 James Schmidt Jr. |                       |                                  |
| 6/14 Alison Roth       |                       |                                  |

# HUGE

# SUMMER



## WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

AUGUST  
BARBECUE  
BASEBALL  
BEACH  
BIKE  
BOAT  
CAMP  
FAMILY  
FISHING  
FLIGHT  
FLIP FLOPS  
FLOWERS  
FRIENDS  
GARDEN  
HEAT  
HOLIDAYS  
HOT  
HUMID  
ICED TEA  
INSIDE  
JULY  
JUNE  
LEMONADE  
OUTSIDE  
PARK  
PICNIC  
PLAY  
POOL  
RELAX  
SANDALS  
SHORTS  
SKATEBOARD  
SOCCER  
SUNSCREEN  
SUNSET  
SWIMMING  
TAN  
TANK TOPS  
TENT  
THEME PARK  
TOUR  
TRAVEL  
TRIP  
VACATION  
WATERPARK

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The words appear UP, DOWN, BACKWARDS, and DIAGONALLY. Find and circle each word.

