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Brian Askelson

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Growing in Discipleship...through Prayer

A Year to Know the Power, Presence, and Purpose of God through Prayer!

As we celebrate and move forward into what God is doing at our church, we have set aside the next year as one of “growing and going” through prayer. Prayer is something we talk about a lot — but it can be confusing, intimidating, or (if we’re honest), sometimes boring and hard to do. But that’s not how God intended it! Prayer is personal, it is real, and it is an opportunity to connect with the reality of God’s presence and purpose in our lives. If you want to know God better, if you want to know His provision and plan in your life and in this church better — Come, let’s learn how to pray together!



“What we need is not just intellectual theorizing, but a demonstration. One of the most powerful ways of turning people’s loyalty to Jesus is by loving others with the great love of God. We cannot revive faith by argument alone, but we might catch the imagination of puzzled men and women by an exhibition of a fellowship and a redemptive purpose so intensely alive that every thoughtful person would be forced to respect it. If there should emerge in our day such a fellowship, wholly without artificiality, it would be an exciting event of momentous importance. A society of genuine, loving people, set free from the self-seeking struggle for personal prestige and from all unreality, onto a relentless service of God and his way, would be something unutterably priceless and powerful. A wise person would travel any distance to join it.”

Sermon Notes

Text: Luke 2:8-20

Title: “The Word of Peace”

Peace. We long for it personally and as a world-wide community. We sing about, march for it, and call for it in our blogs. But it always seems to elude us, and may now seem further away than ever before. Into that longing comes today’s text — a surprising announcement to a surprising audience. What is this peace the angels are promising....and how can we know it in a real way?

The peace the angels promise

What goodwill means

The only way to really find peace on earth

Welcome to Grace Presbyterian Church! Whether you are a believer in Jesus Christ, a skeptic, or simply someone with a lot of struggles and questions – you are welcome here!

We are a family of incomplete, “work in progress” people centered on the redeeming love of Jesus Christ. We want to follow Christ in His mission and promise of making all things new (Revelation 21:5), and we believe this promise applies to individuals, to families, and to all of life. We invite you to intersect your story with ours as we all intersect with the Gospel – the Good News of Jesus.

At Grace Presbyterian Church, our times together aim to be worshipful (lifting Jesus high, focusing on His greatness, and hearing from Him in His word) and filled with community (loving each other and our guests). You are welcome here. We do not have a dress code or outside expectations of you. We simply invite you to come to Jesus, bring your life and questions to Him and hear from Him by His Spirit and through His Word.



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In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, this church offers welcome to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who are broken and long for healing; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness and want to be satisfied; and to whomsoever will come.

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