

MESSAGE NOTES

'Tis the Season | Part 4

In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He existed in the beginning with God. God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it.

John 1:1-5 (NLT)

God sent a man, John the Baptist, to tell about the light so that everyone might believe because of his testimony. John himself was not the light; he was simply a witness to tell about the light. The one who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.

John 1:6-9 (NLT)

So John's disciples came to him and said, "Rabbi, the man you met on the other side of the Jordan River, the one you identified as the Messiah, is also baptizing people. And everybody is going to him instead of coming to us." John replied, "No one can receive anything unless God gives it from heaven. You yourselves know how plainly I told you, 'I am not the Messiah. I am only here to prepare the way for him.' It is the bridegroom who marries the bride, and the bridegroom's friend is simply glad to stand with him and hear his vows. Therefore, I am filled with joy at his success. He must become greater and greater, and I must become less and less."

As a witness, Jesus must	and I must

John 3:26-30 (NLT)

Notes:

God's Vision for Grace Church:

To partner with God in transforming people from unbelievers to fully devoted disciples of Jesus to the glory of God.

GRACE NEWS

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES-

Celebrate the birth of Christ with Contemporary music and something special for the kids at 5 PM., or celebrate with your favorite Traditional music and carols at 7 PM on Christmas Eve.

FINANCIAL PEACE- What if 2020 was the year you took control over your finances? In this nine-week class, you will have the opportunity to learn Biblical guidelines on how to manage money that has brought financial peace to millions of people. This class will meet on Sundays at 11:30 AM in the Choir Room starting on January 19th. Please register on the sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center. The cost of materials is \$90. Questions? Contact Neil Johnson at 239-265-3117.

HUNGER WALK-The Annual Harry Chapin Hunger Walk is Saturday, January 18th. Registration begins at 8:30 AM and the walk starts at 9:30 AM. Each dollar donated allows us to buy \$8.00 dollars' worth of food! This fundraiser supports our food pantry for the year which includes 2nd Saturday and Wednesday nights. Pick up a brochure in the Welcome Area. Questions? Contact Lillian Faber at 239-339-7362.

COUPLES GROUP- Strengthen your relationship to help you navigate life's challenges. You are better together! If being better connected as a couple interests you, contact Jen Bunt at 239-789-9350.

YOU KNOW YOU WANT TO! Come join the Youth Team as we fellowship, play hard, and learn new stuff! Don't put it off any longer. Contact Chris Fraley at 239-839-7900.

LET'S CONNECT

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BASKETS AS YOU EXIT

Date: / /				
Service Attended:				
\Box 1st time \Box 2nd time \Box 3rd time				
☐ Regular Attendee ☐ Church Partner				
□ Male □ Female				
How did you hear about Grace Church?				
Name(s):				
☐ Single ☐ 18-23 ☐ 50's				
☐ Married ☐ 24-29 ☐ 60+				
□ Divorced □ 30's				
□ Widowed □ 40's				
☐ Middle School ☐ High School ☐ College				
Address:				
City:				
State: Zip:				
Ph:				
Cell:				
Email:				
☐ Please update my contact information				

MY DECISION TODAY

- I said **YES** for the first time, and became a follower of Jesus.
- I decided to **RENEW** my relationship with Jesus.

We have resources to help you with your decision.

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAY FOR:		-		
☐ Public Prayer List	☐ For Pasto	rs Only		
I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:				

SMART GIVING

go to: egracechurch.com/give -OR-

text any amount + "Shores" to:

239.205.3123

(like this: 100 Shores)

An effective and time-saving way to give your tithes and offerings without carrying cash or writing checks.





SCHEDULE

Worship Times:

Sunday at 8:30am (Traditional)
Sunday at 10am (Contemporary)

Grace Kidz/Youth

Grace Place (Infant – 5th grade): Sunday 9:45amE-Team (4yo to 5th grade): Wed. 6-8pmRevolution (6th grade - High School):Wednesday from 6-8pm

Recovery

AA Meeting: Mon, Wed, Fri 12pm (Office)
AA Men's Meeting: Monday 7 PM (Office)
AA Women's Meeting: Tuesday 7pm (Office)
NAR-Anon Meeting: Wed. 6:30pm (Family Rm)
AA Open Discussion: Thursday 8pm (Cafe)
AL Anon: Friday 12pm (Family Room)
AA Open Speaker: Saturday 7pm (Cafe)
NA Meeting: Saturday 6:30pm (Room 2)
NA Meeting: Sunday 6pm (Room 2)

ATTENDANCE

8:30am	10am	Wed.	Total
46	153	204	403

GIVING

General Fund		
Last Week	\$6,970	