Lord's Grace Christian Church

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Thanksgiving Worship Service

ENGLISH SERVICE // November 21, 2021

FAITHFUL

Speaker: Pastor Brian Leong Scripture: Luke 2:25-35 (NIV)

²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. ²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷ Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, ²⁸ Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

- ²⁹ "Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace.
- ³⁰ For my eyes have seen your salvation,
- which you have prepared in the sight of all nations:
- ³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel."

³³ The child's father and mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, ³⁵ so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."

Announcements

Welcome!

If you are new to Lord's Grace, we want to get to know you! Please fill out the newcomer's form: http://lordsgrace.org/welcomecard



Love Fund

The **November love offering** will be designated for LGCC brothers and sisters in need. The Love Fund is available to help our church family in times of need. The purpose of the fund is to provide temporary financial assistance to people with emergency needs because of illness, injury, unemployment, poverty, accidents, natural disasters, family problems, and other crisis situations. Please contact an elder, pastor, or elders@lordsgrace.org for more information.



Sunday School Classes

Class descriptions & links at lordsgrace.org/service.

English Adult Sunday School - Rm 604 & Zoom

Topic: 7 Messages to the 7 Churches

All are welcome to join.

Women's Sunday School - Rm 601 & Zoom

Current study: "Your Spiritual Gifts Can Help Your Church Grow" by C. Peter Wagner 11:15am-12:30pm. Meeting ID: 820 3650 8296; Passcode: 693309



In-Person Service Registration

In-person English Service has resumed! If you would like to attend, please register online at <u>lordsgrace.org/EnglishServiceRegistration</u>. **Registration** is **required**, and opens Monday night until Saturday night.



Baptism & Transfer Candidates

Please welcome the following brothers & sisters joining our LGCC Family: **Baptismal Candidates**: (Cantonese) Ivan Choi, Ivy Tam; (Mandarin) Yiwei Li, Qi Wang, Jie Liao, Sara Song, Maria Yang; **Transfer Candidates**: (Cantonese) Chris Wang, Maggie Sze, Eric Tse; (Mandarin) Pule Wang



2022-2023 Deacon Nominees

The Deacon Nomination Committee is pleased to announce the following 2022-2023 Deacon Nominees: Edwin Wong, Matt Chang, Nora Ing (English); Simon Chan (Mandarin); Wendy Wong, Helen Hui (Cantonese).



Positive COVID-19 Notification

The church office received a report that an adult who attended the in-person English worship service and a child who attended the 11:15am Children's Sunday School last weekend (11/14/21) has tested positive for COVID-19. Anyone who was a close contact and may have been exposed was quickly identified and notified by the COVID Response team, and advised to take the appropriate quarantine and testing measures. We will provide additional updates as necessary. Please pray for the recovery of the family and protection of the close contacts.



MOVE MV Fundraiser

Partner with MOVE Mountain View by spreading the word about MOVE MV & our November fundraising campaign. Today's fundraiser will be at **Teaspoon Cupertino**. Details at <u>lordsgrace.org/MMVFundraiser</u>.



General Assembly

The General Assembly will be held on **Sunday, Dec. 5 at 2pm** in Chapel and on Zoom. Zoom link: <u>lordsgrace.org/generalassembly</u>. Deacon voting will take place online this year. A voting link will be sent out to all LGCC members via email on 11/22/21. There will be 2 in-person voting sessions next **Sunday, 11/28 from 10:30-11:30am & 12:30-1:00pm** at LGCC for those who cannot vote online. If neither option works for you, please email <u>office@lordsgrace.org</u> for special accommodations.



Office Closed

The office will be closed on **Thursday, Nov. 25** in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.



Retreat Interest Survey

The LGCC Retreat planning committee has started planning for our upcoming 2022 church-wide retreat in late May of 2022. To help with planning, we would like to solicit your feedback and interest-level in attending an in-person retreat at Mt. Hermon. Please fill out this survey: lordsgrace.org/2022RetreatInterestSurvey to provide feedback to the planning committee!



2021 Stock Donation Deadline

The 2021 Stock donation deadline is **Dec. 15**. If interested, please notify the accounting team with stock name, number of shares, and fund distribution preference at accountant@lordsgrace.org and kittycc7@gmail.com.



Youth Interchurch Praise Night

Saturday 12/4 Interchurch Praise Night hosted by BAAYF at Jesus Risen Lord in Vallejo. Please sign up if you would like a ride!



Kairos Events

Many Kairos holiday events are coming up. Please keep an eye on your emails for the latest news!



CityTeam Food Distribution

Our CityTeam project has had a great start, but we could use a **few more volunteers** to help distribute food at our two adopted apartment complexes. We distribute on **2nd/4th Tuesdays at 9:30am** in Palo Alto and **2nd/4th Fridays at 5:30pm** in Santa Clara. Contact Arvola Chan at arvolachan@gmail.com for more information.



Sanctuary Remodel

Thank you for your faithful and generous support! Praise the Lord! Since our last vision sharing, we have been exploring multiple design alternatives and refining the overall design. We are now in discussion with the City of Mountain View Planning on the exterior permit, while proceeding with interior detailed design and general contractor selection. Please share questions and feedback at lordsgrace.org/remodelcomment. You can also visit lordsgrace.org/english/about/remodel for the latest update.



Empty Nest Moms

So, your last child just left for college, and you're an Empty Nest Mom! The EMPTY NEST MOMS small group meets on the last Saturday morning of each month. We meet together for fellowship support and prayer and would love to have you join us. Please contact Kitty Cheng (kittycc7@gmail.com) for details if you are interested.



English Worship + Media Team Survey

The English Worship and Media teams are looking for additional help as we make the eventual transition back to meeting on campus. If you are interested in serving in these areas, please fill out this survey: <a href="looking-nc-array-nc-



English Pastor Search

LGCC is in search of a pastor for the English Congregation. The Search Committee members are Pastor Brian, Matt Chang, Kitty Cheng, Alvin Wu, Steve Wong, Wendy Wong, Conrad Chan, and Francis Ip. If you have any questions and/or referrals, please contact the committee at epsearch@lordsgrace.org.

Job description available at <u>lordsgrace.org/english/ministries/ministry-openings</u>.



Spiritual Gifts Survey

We are asking all church members to complete the Spiritual Gifts Survey. Please go to: https://lordsgrace.org/SpiritualGifts



English Congregation Hangout

Bring your own coffee and meet us after service from **10:45-11:15am**. Everyone will be placed into smaller groups for a couple of different hangout sessions and still be able to make it to Sunday School. Come and stay as long as you like!

Zoom Meeting ID: 834 6322 6442; Password: hangout



Moms in Prayer

Moms in Prayer hosts a Prayer Meeting every Sunday 8:30-9:30am. For more information, go to lordsgrace.org/english/ministries/moms-in-prayer.



Circle of Three

If you are interested in starting or joining a Circle of Three, handbooks will be available on the church website, lordsgrace.org/CircleOfThree and can be picked up from the office. Contact office@lordsgrace.org to make arrangements.



Office Hours with a Pastor

Thursdays from 2-4pm on Zoom. Anyone can sign up to pray, talk about church business, or just to chat. If you want to sign up for a 20-minute session, just email Pastor Brian at bleong@lordsgrace.org and he will schedule you in.



Stephen Ministers

Do you feel lonely and need someone to talk to during this shelter-in-place period? Do you want a friend to talk to? Stephen Ministers are here to support you. They can call regularly and pray for you during this difficult time. If you are interested, please contact stephenministry@lordsgrace.org.



Coronavirus Response Team

If you desire care, prayer and help during this pandemic time, please contact any of the Coronavirus Response Team members (John Hui, Abraham Law, Julia Chan, Pastor Patrick, Chrissy Cheung, Daniel Cheng, ML Chan, Mindy Gao, Marcella Feng, Pastor Pan). As always, we will maintain confidentiality.

Give to LGCC: lordsgrace.org/giving

While the shelter-in-place order is in effect, the pastoral and office staff continue to work hard remotely to maintain smooth operations of LGCC's worship and ministries, to care for the congregants, and to share God's love with the communities. During this time, church members can continue to make tithing and offering through various means, including online and with stocks. Checks can be mailed to the church office -- Attn: Accounting, 1101 San Antonio Road, Mountain View, CA 94043

Last Week's Web Attendance

Cantonese Worship			152
English Worship			158
Mandarin Worship			80
Nursery			6
Sunday School			
Children			58
Youth			-
Adult	Cantonese: 37	Mandarin: 13	English: 15