



Word
AN ADVENT SERIES

December 11, 2016

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John 1:10-13 (NLT)

How do I claim my right to live as a child of God?

1. _____ **the Gift.**

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John 1:10-11 (NLT)

2. _____ **the Gift.**

But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God.

John 1:12 (NLT)

3. _____ **the Gift.**

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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

COMMUNITY NIGHT OF MUSIC - Join us for a night of music and more on Wednesday, December 14th We will enjoy a potluck at 6PM, and all your favorite Christmas music at 7PM!

DISCIPLE II - This is the one you've been waiting for! Disciple II will begin on Sunday, January 8th, and run through Sunday, May 7th. It will be held in Classroom 2 from 11:30AM – 1:00PM. For more information, please contact Donna Visness at (612) 518-6859, or Julie Davis at (239) 980-4526.

WOMEN OF GRACE - The annual women's retreat is March 11th-12th. Refresh, relax, grow and connect. Tickets are \$85 but if purchased by Dec. 31st they are \$75. For more information contact Kim at (703)-258-5656.

ANGEL TREE - Is a ministry intended to help incarcerated parents keep connected with their children. Please grab a few tags off the tree today and bless a child in our area this Christmas! These gifts are due back by December 18th or sooner. Thanks so much!

BLUE CHRISTMAS - Dealing with loss can make the holidays bittersweet. Join us for a service of healing on Sunday, December 18th at 6:00PM

LET'S CONNECT

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BASKETS AS YOU EXIT

Date: / /

Service Attended: _____

- 1st time 2nd time 3rd time
 Regular Attendee Church Member
 Male Female

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 Pastors Only

I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:

GIVE BACK TO GOD ONLINE!

go to: egracechurch.com/give

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

1. Scan **QR CODE** with any Smart Phone.
2. Set up an **ONLINE** giving plan with Grace Church.



CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE -

Celebrate the coming of Christ! Services are at 5:30PM for the Contemporary and 8:00PM for the Traditional.

CHRISTMAS DAY - On Christmas day we will have a combined service at 10AM. Come in your pajamas or in your three piece suit; just come as you are!

SCHEDULE

Worship Times:

Sunday at 8:30am (Traditional)

Sunday at 10am (Contemporary)

Grace Kidz/Youth

Grace Place (Infant – 5th grade): Sunday 9:45am

PrE-Team (3 - 4yo): Wed. 6-8pm

E-Team (5yo to 4th grade): Wed. 6-8pm

TwEEN Team (5th & 6th grade): Wed. 6-8pm

Revolution (7th grade - High School):

Wednesday from 6-8pm

Recovery

AA Open Discussion: Mon, Wed, Fri at noon.

Steps to Freedom: CA Meeting Tues. 7pm

A-Z Group: Thursday 8pm

Sobriety Rocks: AA Speaker Meeting Sat. 7pm

ATTENDANCE

8:30am	10am	Wed.	Total
45	167	154	366

GIVING

Shores General Fund	
Last Week	\$ 5,517

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