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MATTHEW 26 - 28

**To Know Christ &  
To Make Christ Known**



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# CARE MINISTRY

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Please pray for healing and recovery for those hospitalized or recently discharged: Jennifer Morin and Robbie Danks

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## GRIEFSHARE

**Begins Saturday, March 14 // Meets from 9am - 11am**

GriefShare is a 13 week grief support group program that brings together those walking through one of life's most difficult experiences, and helps them process the loss of a loved one in a friendly, caring environment. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. Join us as we look to the Lord for healing, care, and comfort. Space is limited so scan the QR code and register today.

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY (CR)** Meets Tuesdays at 6:30pm in the Loft.

CR is a safe place to find support if you are struggling with a difficult season of life. CR is not just for addicts; it is for all of us who need to go deeper in Christ when life gets hard. Don't struggle alone - please join us for hope and encouragement every Tuesday evening.

Contact Gabe Stalker at [celebraterecovery@graceinracine.com](mailto:celebraterecovery@graceinracine.com)

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# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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Children are welcome in our worship service, and we highly encourage their participation throughout the entire service.

**Follow-Along Sheets:** Stop by the Info Center for an activity sheet for your child's use during the service.

**Scribble Paper:** Paper is available in the pews for doodling & coloring. *Please refrain from use of the Connect Cards for doodle purposes.*

## NURSERY & PRESCHOOL

Sunday school is available during the entirety of the worship service for children aged birth – kindergarten. Children ages 2 - kindergarten will also have an age-appropriate Bible lesson each week.

## WORSHIPERS IN TRAINING (WIT)

Children in 1st-4th grades are welcome to participate in “Worshippers in Training” which meets during the second half of our worship service (children are dismissed before the teaching portion of worship).

# SERMON REVIEW DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

These questions are for *after* the sermon and can be used for Life Group discussion, one-to-one discipleship, or personal reflection and application.

At this point in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus has been arrested. This week's text gives us two scenes of events immediately following his arrest: Jesus standing before the high priest, and Peter with bystanders in the courtyard just outside. The truth is being questioned, and only one is willing to testify to it.

## Discussion Questions

1. Review: Why was it necessary for Christ to face his death alone?
2. In last week's passage, it tells us that all of the disciples had left him. Why do you suppose that Peter was still risking his life to follow Jesus at a distance? What was he hoping for?
3. Read Daniel 7:13-14. Why did Jesus' response to the high priest's question in Matthew 26:63-64 cause the reaction that it did? What was he claiming about himself?
4. How does the scene with Peter out in the courtyard (26:69-75) parallel and contrast with what was going on with Jesus inside of the house of Caiaphas?
5. Why did Peter refuse to be identified with Jesus? Was he scared or was his denial motivated by something else?
6. How might a passage like this speak to a non-believer? What sort of gospel conversations can be had by reading this passage with someone who is exploring the faith?

SERMON  
**NOTES**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 8**

Matthew 26:57-75

Pastor Mike Matheson

**A TALE OF TWO  
CONFESSIONS**

*Next Week: Matthew 27:1-10*

# ATTENDANCE & GIVING

## LAST WEEK

Attendance: 858

Giving: \$27,694

## 2026 GIVING

Year to Date: \$297,901

+/- Budget: \$-71,959

## WAYS TO GIVE

The gospel is good news because it is a message of God's generous heart to give us everything we need for redemption in Christ. As we are good stewards of what he's blessed us with, we are worshipping him together.

The giving of our finances to the local church to accomplish the vision of *Knowing Christ and Making Christ Known* is one way to invest and utilize the financial resources he's blessed us with.

### There are several ways to give:

**Give Online:** Scan the QR code and give through Church Center

**At Grace:** Offering boxes can be found in the balcony and outside the sanctuary on the main level

**By Mail:** Grace Church // 3626 Hwy 31, Racine, WI 53405

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

Holy Week commemorates the final days of Jesus' earthly ministry and helps prepare our hearts to celebrate Jesus' triumph over sin & death on Easter Sunday.

### March 29: Palm Sunday

9:30am Worship Service

### April 1: Sense of Holy Week

5:30pm - 8pm Open-House Style  
Activity for families & groups

### April 2: Maundy Thursday

6:30pm Communion Service,  
followed by a meal (*no childcare*)

### April 3: Good Friday

6:30pm Service (*no childcare*)

### April 5: Easter Sunday

9:30am Worship Service

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# GRACE HAPPENINGS

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## FLOWERS FOR EASTER SUNDAY

*Today is the last day to order!*

Help decorate the sanctuary for Easter by purchasing Easter lilies, daffodils, hyacinths, or tulips. They'll be delivered in time to decorate the church, and then you can take them home with you following the service on Resurrection Sunday.

## ENLIVEN: Senior Adult Bible Study & Brunch

**Thursday, March 12 // 10:30am**

Those age 55+ are invited to come for Bible study & brunch.

## MEN'S GATHERING

**Saturday, March 14 // 8am**

Guys, join us at the third gathering of the season as we continue our series entitled: "*Christianity Misunderstood.*" The misunderstood phrase that will be discussed is "Follow your heart" Guys of all ages are invited for a hot breakfast, worship time, and a message. No RSVP needed.

## GUATEMALA MEDICAL/DENTAL MISSION TRIP RECAP

**Sunday, March 15 // 12:30pm**

### Commons

All are welcome to come hear what amazing work God did on this annual trip. Light lunch and video presentation.

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

### FIRST IMPRESSIONS TEAM

#### Ushers & Greeters Needed

We're looking for people who are passionate about making our guests feel special to serve as ushers and greeters. Scan the QR code to fill out our Serve form and let us know where we can plug you in!

### STUDENT MINISTRY

#### Blaze Connection Leader

Join our team of Connection Leaders who help lead the "welcome" experience of student ministry on Wednesday nights. This is a member role that ensures students and parents, both regular and guests, encounter a welcoming, organized, and intentional environment within the student ministry. This could be a great opportunity if you are a parent who is already here on Wednesday nights. Fill out the serve form to let us know you're interested in learning more about the role.



Scan here for sign-ups, and more info on items listed in the Worship Guide.