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MATTHEW 26 - 28

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



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## WELCOME TO GRACE CHURCH

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### VISITING GRACE?

It's great to have you here today, and we'd love to connect with you! Stop by the Welcome Table outside the sanctuary where you can receive a Bible if you need one, ask any questions about Grace, and take home a gift. Visit [graceinracine.com](http://graceinracine.com) or scan the QR code on the next page to fill out a Connect Card online.

If you have something that is weighing you down today, please come down front after service and we will pray with you. You can also share your requests on the connection card and our prayer team will lift your needs up to the Lord.

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## TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

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### PRE-SERVICE

["Nothing But The Blood"](#)

Welcome

Pastor Isaac Miller

### PRAISE

Call To Worship

[Psalm 134:1-3](#)

["All Creatures Of Our God And King"](#)

["How Marvelous \(I Stand Amazed\)"](#)

### RENEWAL

Baptism

Patrick Tetzlaff, Elder

["Nothing But The Blood"](#)

### PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word

[Matthew 27:11-26](#)

Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word

Pastor Mike Matheson

### RESPONSE

Silent Reflection

["Man Of Sorrows"](#)

Benediction

*We invite you to stay after the service for fellowship.  
Refreshments are available in The Commons.  
Our Prayer Team is available in the front of the sanctuary.*

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## CARE MINISTRY

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Please pray for healing and recovery for those hospitalized or recently discharged: Miah Boekenhauer

### ***Congratulations!***

To Kelsey & Joe Kottke on the birth of their daughter, Annika Grace.

To Miah & Ethan Boekenhauer on the birth of their daughter, Maylah Olive.

**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.

After Jesus has been abandoned, betrayed, arrested, and accused by his own people, Matthew depicts him standing trial before the Roman governor Pilate. Unlike the Jewish religious leaders, Pilate doesn't personally find any fault with him. Nevertheless, God's sovereign plan for redemption moves forward as Pilate yields to the external pressures of the crowd.

### Discussion Questions

1. Review: What was Judas attempting to do by giving back the thirty pieces of silver in 27:3-5? What made the response of the religious leaders to Judas so stunning?
2. Why is Pilate interested in whether Jesus claims to be the "King of the Jews?" What is Pilate most concerned about?
3. What did Pilate plan on happening when he proposed the choice between releasing Jesus or Barabbas? What was it that Pilate didn't understand about the religious leaders and the crowd that caused his plan to backfire?
4. What made the situation so ironic that Barabbas went free while Jesus was delivered over to be crucified?
5. In 27:24-25, Pilate washes his hands before the crowd and claims his innocence over Jesus' blood while the crowd explicitly takes responsibility. Did Pilate actually evade guilt? What does this tell us about the crowd?
6. How might you use the scene where Barrabas is set free in exchange for Jesus to walk someone through the gospel?

## SERMON NOTES

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

[Matthew 27:11-26](#)

Pastor Mike Matheson

THE GUILTY & THE  
INNOCENT

Next Week: [Matthew 27:27-61](#)

# ATTENDANCE & GIVING

## LAST WEEK

Attendance: 821  
Giving: \$63,366

## 2026 GIVING

Year to Date: \$396,736  
+/- Budget: \$-49,204

### 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

### MAUNDY THURSDAY MEAL

**Thursday, April 2 // 6:30pm**

Following our communion service on Maundy Thursday, we'll enjoy a meal together. Bring a crock-pot of soup or a dessert to share. Scan the QR code to let us know what you'll be bringing.

**Please note:** Please cut desserts in advance.

Please bring your soup hot or drop it off early in the day so we can heat it. We will be eating following the service.

### **SHOW US YOUR ART!**

We'd love to see what you've been drawing & creating as you reflect upon and study through the Lenten Devotional. Drop off your art at the Info Desk on Sundays or in the main office during the week. We're looking forward to displaying a gallery of Grace art during Holy Week!

### **DONATIONS WANTED: 15 DOZEN HARD-BOILED EGGS**

Drop off at Grace by March 29th.

Help us with Easter Sunday post-service treats as we prepare to welcome many guests through our doors.

## GRACE HAPPENINGS

### **MEMBERSHIP PRAYER GUIDE**

#### **Members of Grace Church**

We're putting together a Membership Prayer Guide. Why are we doing this? First, we want to be praying for each other and this guide will help us to remain faithful to do that. Second, it's easier to pray for someone if you know who they are! So, *after service between now and April 19th*, we'll have a photo booth set up in the commons where members can come, check-in and we'll snap a quick picture of you. We hope to distribute these prayer guides at our next member meeting. These photos will also be used in Church Center as your profile picture.

### **GRACE SOFTBALL TEAM**

Looking for softball players, any talent level (12 inch ball).

When: Monday nights starting in May at Cliffside Park.

Why: Fellowship and fun. Goal is to have two teams this year! If you have ever considered playing, this is the year!

Contact: Ryan Traxinger  
262-880-8723 call or text.

### **AT THE BOOKSTALL**

Give the gift of books! Stop by the bookstall to see the selection of books we've curated for children.

### **ENLIVEN: Senior Adult Bible Study & Brunch**

**Thursday, March 26 // 10:30am**

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

### **OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

#### **Help Needed for Easter**

As we prepare for Easter, we're looking for a few helping hands! We need people who have steamers or irons and ironing boards to help us freshen up some large pieces of fabric that will be displayed for Easter.

Because of the size of the fabric, this will need to be done at the church sometime *during the week of March 30-April 4*.

If you're willing and able to help, we'd love to hear from you!

Please contact Michelle Jenks  
mjenks@graceinracine.com for more details or scan the QR code.

### **Maundy Thursday Meal Team**

We are looking for people to help in a variety of ways:

- Set up during the day (10am)
- Receive food before service
- Assist with tray clean-up during the meal.

Scan the QR code if you're able to be part of the team!

### **SCAM EMAIL REMINDER**

Just a reminder that Grace staff/elders will never email you to request gift cards or money. Should you receive a questionable email, please verify it has come from an @graceinracine.com email address.



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