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To Be and Make Disciples

SEPTEMBER 2022

HELLO

FROM SENIOR PASTOR DARRIN VICK

If you've ever enjoyed a trip on the river, you know how strong the current can be.

If you go with it, you can travel almost effortlessly downstream. But if you fight against it, its strength can quickly wear you down.

We are on a journey together at CGLC and we want to go exactly where Jesus is leading us. That means we go where his current flows and his Spirit guides.

As you read through the pages of the *Current*, may you discover right where Jesus is inviting you to go with the flow.



Jump in! It will be a wild and wonderful ride!

By grace alone,

Deadline for the October Edition of the Current is September 10



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WORSHIP

TWO STYLES

Whoever you are, whatever your story, you are welcome here.

We invite you to slow down, breathe deeply, and open your heart to God.

Contemporary Services are more informal, with a worship band lifting praise through current Christian music.

Our Traditional Services include time-honored hymns and rich liturgical texts.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICES

9 & 10:30 a.m. | Fellowship Hall
(Communion on 1st Sunday each month)

TRADITIONAL SERVICE WITH COMMUNION

9 a.m. | Sanctuary

STREAM LIVE OR LATER

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SPECIAL SERVICES

FALL SERIES KICKOFF

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Our programming year kicks off with a pancake breakfast served by our dedicated Council members.

LOVE POURS IN

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

6 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Come for this evening of extended worship and prayer. For us to pour out love, we need to have God's love poured into us. All are welcome.



SUNDAY SERMON SERIES: ROUTE 66

**OUR JOURNEY:
ONE YEAR | 66 BOOKS**

Join us on a Biblical journey found in the narrative of the Gospel of John. This apostle shows us Jesus as God's Son; the Word made into flesh.

John hearkens back to the language of the Old Testament and reminds us how the New Testament is prophecy realized.

Our series is separated into sections that reflect our Core Values, starting with *Jesus Makes Us Family*.

CATALYST

**SUNDAYS
OCTOBER 16 – NOVEMBER 13**

11:45 a.m.-1:15 p.m. | CGLC LL9

Take the next step toward a deeper relationship with Christ and into the CGLC community.

This is a five Sunday pathway to baptism and membership that CGLC offers twice a year.



Please scan to sign up online.

Contact: Hannah Collins
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SENIOR "HIGH-RISE" SERVICES

FIRST WEDNESDAYS:

10 a.m. White Pine - Ecumenical Service of the Word

1 p.m. The Boulders - Service of Holy Communion

SECOND TUESDAYS:

1 p.m. Harbor Crossing - Service of Holy Communion

THIRD SATURDAYS:

11 a.m. Shoreview Senior - Bible Study

FOURTH THURSDAYS:

2:30 p.m. Cerenity - Ecumenical Service of the Word

TWO SUNDAYS PER QUARTER:

4 p.m. Waverly Gardens - Ecumenical Service of the Word

Contact: Pastor Mary Ellen maryellen@gracepeople.church

KIDS



HISKIDS

HISKids is the umbrella for our Children's Ministry and serves infants through sixth grade.

It is where children will grow in faith and learn the heart of God.

HISKids Sundays are the main event and drop-ins are always welcome. Classes are currently scheduled during the 9 a.m. service beginning September 11 and running through May.

Because we value families experiencing worship together, we set aside some Sundays for HISKids in worship.

Contact: Britta Maly
britta@gracepeople.church

HISKIDS NURSERY

Nursery is available for infants through three year olds during 9 & 10:30 a.m. services.

Please check in at the north end of the Commons

Contact: Victoria Mathisen
victoria@gracepeople.church

HISKIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL KICKOFF

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

9-10:15 a.m. | North End of Bldg

The format remains the same as last year. First through sixth graders head to worship with their parents for the first part of the service.

At a designated time, teachers will escort children to Sunday School.

Scan code to register.



THIRD GRADERS RECEIVE BIBLES

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

9 & 10:30 a.m. | Worship Venues

Register your third grader to receive a Bible. If you have an older child that has not received one, you are welcome to register them as well.

Scan the code to register for the service you will attend!



HISKIDS SUNDAYS BEGIN IN WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 11, 18, & 25

9 a.m. | Sundays

Children grades one through six will join us for the first part of 9 a.m. Worship before they are released to their HISKids Sunday School teachers.

Children in preschool and kindergarten go directly to their classrooms. Please check in all students at the north end of the Commons prior to worship.

Contact: Britta Maly
britta@gracepeople.church

HISKIDS IN WORSHIP

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

9 & 10:30 a.m.

On HISKids in Worship Sundays, service elements focus on families worshipping together in both venues.

All children preschool through grade six will join their families. Look for activity bags at the entrance of worship venues.

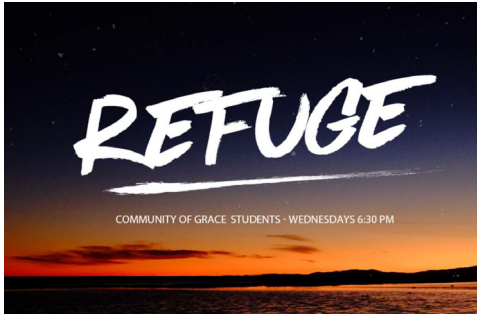
MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

Meet the Teacher Day: 10:30-11 a.m.
Children's Ministry Center

Parents of Grace: 10-10:15 a.m.
Fireside Room

STUDENTS



REFUGE & CONFIRMATION

**WEDNESDAYS
SEPTEMBER 14 - MAY 10**

6:30-8 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Refuge is the umbrella for activities for students in grades 6-12. It is a weekly gathering and a safe place for teens to learn how to apply Biblical principles to their lives.

We play games, goof around, worship through songs, grow through engaging messages, and connect in small groups.

Confirmation is a faith formation pathway within Refuge. When you choose to be confirmed, you demonstrate you are a follower of Christ!

We hope the Confirmation experience moves you toward a deeper, personal relationship with Jesus.

Scan to sign up online.



Contact: Melinda Kern
melinda@gracepeople.church

SIXTH GRADE CHANGES

We are transitioning sixth grade students to Student Ministries this year to align with local school districts.

This year, we encourage sixth graders to attend Refuge on Wednesdays, Sunday School, & HISKids events.

In 2023, sixth grade will shift entirely to Student Ministries.

Melinda Kern
melinda@gracepeople.church
Britta Maly
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LEADER TRAINING & CONNECTION

WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 7

6:30-8 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

All Student Ministries leaders are invited to attend this event to prepare for the new programming season.



REFUGE LAUNCH PARTY

WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 14

6:30-8 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

This is the first night of Refuge for grades 6-12. Join us for fun and vision casting for the coming ministry season.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

SUNDAY | SEPTEMBER 18

1:30-8:30 p.m. | LL9

Confirmation Students spend a day going deep into their relationships with Jesus and each other.



YOUTH WORSHIP

WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 28

6-8:30 p.m. | North Gate Community Church, Ramsey

Meet there or CGLC at 5:30 p.m.

Come for a multi-church worship night. Students grades 6-12 and their friends are invited. Enjoy games, snacks, worship, prayer, and the Word.



THE MIDNIGHTER

FRIDAY | SEPTEMBER 30

7:30 p.m. - Midnight

Students grades 6-9 enjoy a night of fun activities. Refuge students are encouraged to bring friends. High school students are invited to help as volunteers.

Sign up online. Cost: \$10

ADULTS

R.O.M.E.O.

THURSDAY | SEPTEMBER 1

9 a.m. | Denny's, Maplewood

Retired Old Men Eating Out meets every first Thursday.

Contact: Curt Schneider
curtisschneider@comcast.net

J.U.L.I.E.T.

MONDAY | SEPTEMBER 5

11:30 a.m. | Rudy's Red Eye Grille

Just Us Ladies Informally Eating Together gathers the first Monday of the month. Please sign up at the Information Desk.

Contact: Pastor Angie Way
angie@gracepeople.church

FREE PRODUCE MARKET

THURSDAY | SEPTEMBER 15

11 a.m.-1 p.m. | CGLC Pkg Lot

Somebody's hard work is your gain as surplus fresh fruits and vegetables become available at no cost to you! BYO bags!

Contact: Mark Hanson
mark@gracepeople.church

WOMEN OF GRACE CIRCLES BEGIN

Eve: 3rd Friday, 6:30 p.m.
Naomi: 3rd Thursday, 9:30 a.m.
Priscilla: 3rd Tuesday, 1 p.m.
Rachel: 3rd Thursday, 1 p.m.
Sarah: 2nd Wednesday, 1 p.m.

Zoom Study on The Names of God: 3rd Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.

Contact: MaryNell Clemens
idasbaby159@gmail.com

SANCTUARY CHOIR

WEDNESDAYS

SEPTEMBER 7, 14, 21, & 28

6:30-7:45 p.m. | Large Choir Room

WOMEN'S CHORALE

THURSDAYS

SEPTEMBER 8, 15, 22, & 29

6:30-7:45 p.m. | Large Choir Room

CGLC is bringing back our choirs led by Traditional Music Director Mark Hanson.

Choirs perform at 9 a.m. during the Traditional Worship Services.

FARE FOR ALL

FRIDAY | SEPTEMBER 9

1-3 p.m. | CGLC Commons

This is an opportunity to stretch your grocery dollars right here on the CGLC campus.

Check out the latest hot buys at:
facebook.com/fareforall

SPIRITUAL RETREAT

SATURDAY | SEPTEMBER 17

9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | CGLC Commons

The theme for this retreat is *Taste and See that the Lord is Good* from Psalm 34.

This event includes time together in prayer guided by seasoned retreat leader Chris Lepoutre and time alone with God.

Please sign up at the Information Desk or online.

COST: \$10 (Covers lunch/snacks)

Contact: Pastor Angie Way
angie@gracepeople.church

MONTHLY PRAYER

SEPTEMBER FOCUS ON SCHOOLS

Anytime | Sanctuary Side Chapel

Each month, we will lift up a specific area of our lives in prayer. Materials and/or experiences are available in the Chapel.

For September, we encourage you to pray for schools, students, teachers, and staff.

September Prayer Champion:
Glenda Schuneman

MOCKTAIL HOUR

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

6-7:30 p.m. | CGLC Commons

Enjoy delicious mocktails, snacks, and exciting games at this free Women's Social Event.

Child care is provided.

Be sure to bring your besties! Please RSVP to let us know you're coming.

Contact: Hannah Collins
hannah@gracepeople.church

FALL FAMILY FUN

THURSDAY | SEPTEMBER 29

5:30-7 p.m. | CGLC Lawn

Enjoy outdoor games across the CGLC campus and a barbecue with our family ministry partners: Lake Area Discovery Center and Magnuson Christian School.

We will move inside for inclement weather.

Contact: Britta Maly
britta@gracepeople.church

SEASONS MEETUPS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

9:45 & 11:15 a.m.

Discipleship looks different in the changing seasons of your life.

Meetups are brief gatherings where you can get to know the people who share your season at CGLC.

Meetup Seasons:

- High School
- College & Young Adults
- Marriage
- Praying for Schools
- Parenting
- Workplace
- Retirement
- Loss of Loved One
- Caring for Aging Parents
- Adult Children



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

Women of Grace Movie Night

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

Family Meeting & Meal

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

Catalyst Begins

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

Women's Social Event

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

Faith Mentoring Begins

Food Shelf Drive Begins

BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR ANGIE

WEDNESDAYS

SEPTEMBER 14, 21, & 28

4 p.m. | Community Room

Pastor Angie leads this weekly Bible study. In September we work through Old Testament stories of Genesis and Exodus.

Contact: Pastor Angie Way
angie@gracepeople.church

STUDY

CIRCLE STUDY

SEPTEMBER 15

3 p.m. | Fireside Room

Pastor Angie leads this study on the book: *The Names of God: Glimpses of His Character*. The study is open to all who want to participate.

Contact: Pastor Angie Way
angie@gracepeople.church

OLD GUYS' BIBLE STUDY

MONDAYS

9 a.m. | Online

Contact: John Blocher
johnblocher@yahoo.com

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

TUESDAYS

7 p.m. | Fireside Room

Contact: Andy Collins
abbacollins@aol.com

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

FRIDAYS

8 a.m. | Commons

Contact: Joe Remley
jremley@usfamily.net

WOMEN'S PRAYER

FRIDAYS

9 a.m. | Fellowship Hall

Contact: Carol Orf cjorf1@q.com

SERVE

QUILTERS

MONDAYS | 9:30 A.M.

THURSDAYS | 6:30 P.M.

Quilting Room

Our prolific quilters serve by keeping people warm across the globe. Are you interested in pouring out love in this way?

Contact: Caryl Aanenson
caanenson@gmail.com

MEDICAL MISSIONS (BANDAGE ROLLERS)

2ND & 4TH TUESDAYS

9:30 a.m. | Quilting Room

This group uses old sheets to create much needed bandages for our friends in need overseas.

Contact: Lois Balken
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CARE & WELLNESS TEAM MEETING

SUNDAY | SEPTEMBER 18

11:30 a.m. | Fireside Room

Those interested in visiting sick or homebound congregants meet to kick off this new season. Led by our Visitation Pastor.

Contact: Pastor Mary Ellen
maryellen@gracepeople.church

SEWING KITS

Please stop by the Information Desk any time it's convenient for you and pick up one of the kits available to sew.

Kits include quilt tops, baby shirts, walker bags, Ronald McDonald House bags, Lutheran World Relief School Bags, and more.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER PRAYER FOCUS: Area schools, students, teachers, & staff. Find materials in the Sanctuary Side Chapel. Prayer Champion: Glenda Schuneman				1 9a ROMEO	2	3
4 Kids in Worship 9 & 10:30a Nursery 10a BP Checks	5 LABOR DAY Church Closed 11:30a JULIET	6	7 6:30p Refuge Leaders 6:30 Sanctuary Choir	8 6:30 Women's Chorale	9 1-3p Fare For All	10
11 9a HISKids 9 & 10:30a Nursery	12	13	14 4p Angie Bible Study 6:30p Refuge Launch 6:30p Sanctuary Choir	15 10a-12p Free Produce Mkt 3p Circle Study 6:30 Women's Chorale	16	17 9a Spiritual Retreat
18 9a HISKids 9 & 10:30a Nursery 11:30a Care & Wellness Meeting 6p Love Pours In	19	20	21 4p Angie Bible Study 6:30p Refuge 6:30p Sanctuary Choir	22 6:30 Women's Chorale	23	24
25 9a HISKids 9 & 10:30a Nursery	26	27 6p Mocktail Hour	28 4p Angie Bible Study 6p Refuge Youth Worship Night 6:30p Sanctuary Choir	29 5:30-7p Family Fun 6:30 Women's Chorale	30 7:30p Midnighter	

Welcome New Staff



Andrew and Madeleine Kelly

Andrew Kelly joins CGLC as Student Ministries and Worship Associate in September! Andrew and his new bride, Madeleine, are coming from San Diego. However, Andrew was born and raised in Coon Rapids before moving to California in 2007.

Andrew has grown up in the Lutheran Church. He is a 2021 graduate from Azusa Pacific University, Los Angeles, with a Bachelor's degree in Music and Worship!

Out of college, Andrew served as Worship Leader at Lutheran Church of the Cross in Orange County, where former ministry intern Kevin Sheldon now serves. Andrew is passionate about building relationships with people and getting to know their stories!

Andrew says, "I love seeing people grow closer to the Lord and one another through relationship and community! I cannot express how humbled I am to join such a great team of people and how excited I am to get started!"



Mark Hanson

Mark Hanson assumes the role of Organist/Choir Director in September.

Mark joined CGLC in June as Executive Administrative Assistant overseeing the Information Desk, assisting with church communications, and providing support to Senior Pastor Darrin.

Mark has more than twenty years of experience, most recently serving as Administrative Coordinator for Union Gospel Mission.