

Welcome To  
**Grace Brethren Church**

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**Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.**



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March 20, 2022

# Sundays at Grace

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Bible Classes: 9:00am

Grace Gathering [Courtyard]: 9:40am

Grace Worship Service: 10:00am

**Pastor Oscar Chavez**

SERMON: The Mercy of God

Weekly Theme Passage

Psalm145:8-9

**We welcome our guests today and if you are new to Grace** and are looking for a way to connect, text the word “**CONNECT**” to **562.444.1211** and we will text you occasional updates and happenings at GRACE. We are so glad you are here!



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- OR**
- 2) Go directly to [YouTube.com](http://YouTube.com) and search for 'Grace Norwalk'

If you are having any trouble connecting, we will record the service in both audio and video and will have it posted to our website after the service is over.

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## **Celebrating The Life of Irene Yrineo**

Visitation: Friday March 25, 5-9 pm @ Rose Hills visitation room 104

Graveside Service: Saturday, March 26, 9am, Rose Hills Gate #1, Marigold Lawn

Memorial Service: Saturday, March 26, 11am Grace Norwalk Light luncheon to follow in the courtyard



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Janine Lansing	Mon	Mar 21
Ronda Lipsohn	Wed	Mar 23
Linda Down	Sat	Mar 26

## EVENTS THIS WEEK @ GRACE

<b>Ministry Leaders Meeting</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Mar 20</b>	<b>3:00pm</b>
Charis Women's Small Group(zoom)	Mon	Mar 21	7:00pm
Men's Small Group	Tue	Mar 22	6:30pm
Gonzalez Small Group	Tue	Mar 22	7:00pm
Wednesday Bible Study	Wed	Mar 23	6:30pm
Grace Students	Wed	Mar 23	6:30pm
Worship Practice	Thu	Mar 24	6:00pm
Rose Hills visitation for Irene Yrineo	Fri	Mar 25	5-9:00pm
Memorial Service for Irene Yrineo	Sat	Mar 26	11:00am

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Morales Small Group	Fri	Apr 01	6:30pm
Easter Sunday Special Event(tba)	Sun	Apr 17	
Congregational Meeting	Sun	Apr 24	11:30am

Attendance Last Week:

In-Person Service:66

Online Viewed:33

**We have an offering box by the Tech Booth in the back of the church. You can deposit your tithes and offerings in that box**

**You're invited to the Adult Sunday Class at 9:00am. Subject: "Spiritual Warfare." Join teacher Vet Gonzalez in Room D101**

## Sacrifice = Intimacy with God

As we approach Resurrection Sunday (Easter morning), I can't help but think about God's desire to be close to us! A holy, perfect God who desires to be close and intimate with sinful people. And at what cost? My mind is flooded with the **sacrifice** that God made through His Son Jesus on our behalf.

The word **sacrifice** is not a pretty picture for most people. **Sacrifice** carries with it the idea of death; to kill or to slaughter. But God in His mercy uses sacrifice as a way to bring about life and intimacy with you and I. We see this first example of a substitutionary **sacrifice** just after Adam and Eve sin, *"Also for Adam and his wife the LORD God made tunics of skin, and clothed them."* – **Genesis 3:21**. God covered their nakedness with the skins of an animal/substitutionary sacrifice. This is just a foreshadowing of the fact that God would one day provide a perfect **sacrifice** to cover the sins of His people, through Jesus. From the beginning of our sin journey, God was providing a way to cover us so that we could be close to Him.

Later in the book of Leviticus, we see a whole sacrificial system set up by God, which according to Leviticus 1:4, the **sacrifice** *"...will be accepted on his behalf to make atonement for him"*. This system had to be repeated over and over again to atone for the sins of the people. But again, God in His mercy was preparing His people for the ultimate **sacrifice** that would soon be made. One that only Jesus could fulfill. Jesus became that substitutionary **sacrifice** for you and I.

Today, we are charged by God to be a *"LIVING sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God"* (**Romans 12:1**). Do you see the length and depth of God's love that He would go through to be close to you? Do you desire the same closeness and intimacy with God? Are you seeking Him daily? Are you living for Him?

*"Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!"* – **2 Corinthians 9:15**



Names People You will pray for:  
To Invite on EASTER 2022

1. \_\_\_\_\_.

2. \_\_\_\_\_.

3. \_\_\_\_\_.

**2 Corinthians 5:20**

<sup>20</sup> **We are therefore Christ's ambassadors**, as though God were making his appeal through us. **We implore you on Christ's behalf:**

**Be reconciled to God.**