



I AM THE VINE, YOU ARE THE BRANCHES.

JOHN 15:5

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*We exist to ignite
a passion in every
person to glorify and
enjoy God everywhere
and in everything.*



**SUNDAY MORNING
LIVE STREAM SERVICE @ 9am
OUTDOOR SERVICE**

“Live Much in the Smiles of God”

2 Corinthians 4:6

Pastor Benji

<https://youtu.be/PIPZSVYYbVI>

SUNDAY EVENING SERMON
Uploaded to YouTube @ 10:30am

“Make yourself small to get
close to Jesus”

Mark 3:20-35

Pastor Greg

<https://youtu.be/xWKt0ykKeJU>

Also you can go to www.youtube.com
and search for our channel
“Grace Santa Maria”

East vs West

The East has been pitted against the West and visa versa now for at least 200 years. The battle has ebbed and flowed: sometimes the battle was hotter than at other times. Christianity, first the Catholics then the Protestants have not engaged in the battle (for the most part). But the battle of ideas and philosophies is not new today as China and the US fight the asynchronous war.

As important as this battle is in the worldview as well as economic spheres, there is another way of looking at East vs West: where my sins lie relative to me.

Psalm 103:11-12 ^{ESV} “For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; ¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

God chooses not to think of you when his eye falls upon your sin: it is no longer yours. All his wrath was poured out upon it on the Cross. It is yours no more. Praise Jesus!

Read these encouraging words from Wayne Grudem:

“Will all the secret words and deeds of believers, and all their sins also be revealed on that last day? We might at first think so, because Paul says that when the Lord comes he will “*bring to light the things now hidden in darkness* and will disclose the proposes of the heart. Then every man will receive his commendation from God” (1 Cor. 4:5; compare Col. 3:25). However, this is a context that talks about “commendation,” or praise (*epainos*), that comes from God, so it may not refer to sins. And other verses suggest that God will never again call our sins to remembrance: “You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea” (Mic. 7:19); “as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us” (Ps. 103:12); “*I will not remember your sins*” (Isa. 43:25); “*I will remember their sins no more*” (Heb. 8:12; compare 10:17). “Wayne Grudem, Systematic Theology, 2nd Ed. Page 1144

Now: rejoice! Hope! Love! Trust! Praise Jesus!

Your brother,

Pastor Greg

2020 Church Budget Preliminary Meeting

- ◆ Sunday, November 22nd @ 5pm in the Ed Building to go through and discuss, ask questions, make any changes or not to our proposed budget. We will **NOT** be voting at this meeting.
- ◆ The proposed budget is posted on the Grace café bulletin board.

IMPORTANT UPDATE...

KidzTime Inside/Outside ...

is cancelled until further notice.



For Shut-Ins

Please help spread Holiday Cheer by donating a Christmas ornament to decorate a small Christmas Tree. Trees are donated to someone who is not able to do their own decorating.

Your help, more than ever, is needed this year. There are many people that can be reached with this project.

Needed are ornaments, strings of 20 lights from Dollar Tree or money donations to purchase these items.

Please bring donations to church on Sunday, Tuesday night Youth Group or Wednesday Night AWANA. Donations can also be picked up.

Contact Ashley Mason at 805-539-3365
Or by email MasonAshley1234@gmail.com

GRACE KIDZ VIDS November 2020 "Grow in God"

Don't miss the "Grace Kids Vids" series! We will broadcast a new episode every Sunday in November on the *Grace Santa Maria YouTube Page*. This month we are continuing with the *Parables* and how we can "Grow in God". Families who would like to see their children featured in the video can reach out to Michael Shaw by emailing him at igmasterw@yahoo.com

Announcements

Women's Christmas Ignite Luncheon



When: Saturday, December 5,
12pm—2pm

Who can attend: women only
(due to limited space, we request no children)

Where: Grace Baptist Church
(Outside Event)

Cost: \$15 for Urbane Café catered lunch, beverages, and dessert

Sign up at women's table in foyer
Deadline is November 29
(or once the max is reached)

Due to Covid guidelines, space is limited so please sign up and pay as soon as possible to secure a spot

Grace Kidz Vidz

Celebrate Advent with "ADVENTURE"!



Thanksgiving week families with young children will receive a chain-making kit in the mail that will be used starting Sunday,

November 29th in correspondence with the weekly video series. Each family is encouraged to build the *paper chain* with the names of **Jesus** and read scripture together as a family nightly- all you'll need is scissors, some tape, and a Bible. Each week we'll gather around the *virtual advent wreath* and celebrate Jesus' birth. Check out new videos every Sunday on the Grace Santa Maria YouTube Channel.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT EVENTS @ GRACE:

- ◆ **November 22nd** - Preliminary Budget Meeting @ 5:00pm in the Ed Building
- ◆ **November 29th** - First Day of Advent & Communion Sunday
- ◆ **December 6th** - Grace Christmas Party! The party will begin at 4:00pm. We will have Ornament Decorating, Soup & Bread Dinner (served @ 4:30pm), Sing Carols, & the *Annual Business Meeting*.
- ◆ **December 24th** - Christmas Eve Service @ 5:00pm



The church office will be closed
November 25th - 27th for the
Thanksgiving holiday

**Making Disciple -
Making Disciples**

WORSHIP