

Hearing Assists are available at the Sound Booth.

Because of the Thanksgiving holiday weekend there will be no Sunday School, no adult Bible class, and no Children's Church TODAY.

**Advent Devotional Recommendation:** Are you looking to take your devotions in a different and perhaps deeper direction this Christmas season? Then sign up for Biola University's Advent Project. The Advent Project is a daily devotional series that celebrates the Advent season through art, music, poetry, prayer, Scripture, and a written devotion. The goal is to help individuals quiet their hearts and enter into a daily routine of worship and reflection during this meaningful but often hectic season. All you need is an email address and a web browser. Go to <https://cca.biola.edu/advent/2023/> and click on the red button that says "Send Me Daily Advent Devotionals." The devotions begin on December 2, but you can sign up anytime!

**GracePoint's Children's Christmas Program** will be **Sunday, December 17th** during the church service. Parents! **Practice begins next week at 9:15** (during Sunday School). This is for children ages 3 - grade 5. Contact Shari Clemens if you'd like to help!

**We will be needing** two nursery volunteers for **Christmas Eve**, as well as **New Year's Eve**. Contact Pam Russell.

**Thank you to today's nursery volunteers this Thanksgiving weekend!**

**Week at a Glance:**

**Sunday, Nov. 26**—No Sunday School/ABF, Worship Service 10:30 am

**Monday, Nov. 27**—Warriors of Grace women's prayer group 6:30 pm

**Wednesday, Nov. 29**—Family Meal 5:30 pm, AWANA 6 pm, Youth Group: MS 6-7:30 pm HS 7:45-9:15 pm

**Thursday, Nov. 30**—Shirley Ferguson visitation at church from 3-5 pm

**Friday, Dec. 1**—Shirley Ferguson Celebration of Life at church at 10:30 am

**Saturday, Dec. 2**—Praise Team practice 9 am, Christmas Cookie Exchange 9-11 am

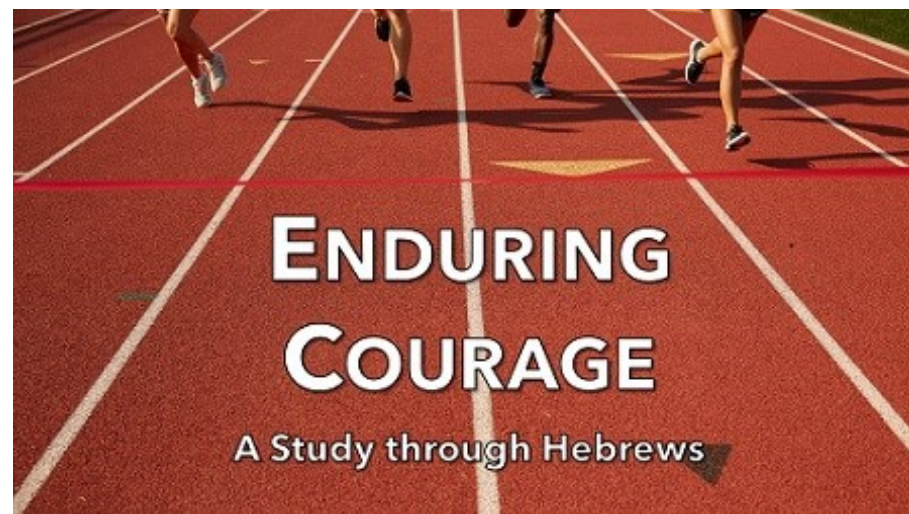
**Sunday, Dec. 3**—Sunday School/ABF 9:15 am, Worship Service with Communion 10:30 am

**\*Please see insert for additional Announcements and Upcoming events.** ➔

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*The Church that Endures*

*Hebrews 13:7-25*

November 26, 2023

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# WELCOME TO SUNDAY WORSHIP!

**Youth Sunday  
School & Adult Bible  
Classes**

9:15 a.m.

**Worship  
Service**

10:30 a.m.

*Your children are welcome in the worship service.  
The following ministries are also available:*

## **Nursery**

Available during the Worship Service for little ones from Infant—Age 2.

## **Children's Church**

Available for children 3 years old through 5th grade during the sermon.  
Children are dismissed at the end of Worship in Singing.

***On major holiday weekends there will be NO Sunday School,  
NO Children's Church, NO Nursery, and NO Adult Bible Fellowship***

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## **Financial Update**

- **November financial information will be in the December bulletins**

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**Do you have your own RightNow Media account? It is easy to sign up! Just text GRACEPOINTIA to 49775. You will receive a link on your phone to sign up for a free account through our church's subscription.**

**If you use a smart phone or tablet, you can find notes for today's sermon under the "Events" section of the Bible app.**



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***Thank you for financially supporting the ministries of our church! Tithes and offerings may be placed in the donations box immediately to the right when you enter the auditorium. They can also be mailed to the church by check, or you can give through our website via PayPal using a credit or debit card. Thank you!***

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***To our guests—Thank you for joining us! We're delighted you chose to worship with us! We'd love to meet you, answer any questions and give you a welcome gift at our Welcome Table in the Fellowship Hall.***



Series: ENDURING COURAGE (PART 2)  
 Sermon: *The Church that Endures*  
 Scripture: Hebrews 13:7-25  
 Speaker: Pastor Don McLean  
 Sunday: November 26, 2023

We follow Jesus better \_\_\_\_\_ than we do \_\_\_\_\_

1. Leadership

- \_\_\_\_\_ good leaders (7-8)
- \_\_\_\_\_ good leaders (17)
- \_\_\_\_\_ good leaders (18-19)

2. Worship

- \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_ (9)
- \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_ (10-11)
- \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_ (12-14)
- \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (15-16)

3. Lordship

- The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ (20)
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**Next Week = Luke 1:1-25**



## Additional Announcements and Upcoming Events

**The E&O committee is looking for help** blessing our community at the Lighted Christmas Parade on December 2nd. We need help setting up and serving hot chocolate and cookies while visiting with our friends and neighbors on the corner of Chestnut and 6th (Smith Land Service). Please contact Sonja Smith if you can help.

**Men's Bible Study on Prayer** - The men's group that meets Thursdays in the church community room will be starting a new, 6-week study on prayer. With the holiday weeks ahead, we are starting in December, taking a few weeks off and then resuming in January. The Thursdays we will meet at 6:30 PM are December 7, December 14, January 4, January 11, January 18 and January 25. All men are welcome! Please let Ron Russell know if you are interested, so that enough study books can be ordered. We will be using some video resources called *When God's People Pray*, with Jim Cymballa.

### Giving Tree Outreach:

As we enter the holiday season, GracePoint once again has the opportunity to support families in need through the Giving Tree Outreach. Here are some ways that you can contribute:

- 1.) Take an ornament or a few from the tree in the fellowship hall and purchase the item(s). Return the item(s) **with original ornaments** to the fellowship hall by December 18. Wrapping the gifts is appreciated.
- 2.) Take an envelope from the tree and donate cash toward the purchase of gifts. You can put the designated envelope in the offering box.
- 3.) Join in the delivery of gifts on Friday, December 22. (Please contact Brielle to let her know you are interested.)
- 4.) Pray for the families that will receive these gifts as we build relationships and share the love of Christ in tangible ways.

If you have any questions, please contact Brielle Cerven, 712-621-3060.

**There is a Christmas Cookie Exchange** hosted by Women's Ministry on December 2. Please see the insert for the details.

**Ladies connections outing!** Ladies, join us for another night out! Join the ladies of GracePoint in food and fellowship at Grace on Main in Elk Horn. **\*\*\*We have changed the date from the evening of Thursday, November 30th to Thursday, January 18th at 6:00 pm.\*\*\***

Please see other side for more announcements and upcoming events. ➡

**Tabletop Game Night:** Tabletop, board, card games and other activities. Bring your favorite game, bring a snack, bring a friend. All ages welcome. Church Fellowship Hall on Saturday, November 25, 6:30 pm—10:30-ish. For details, call or text Devon Bretey at 712-340-3500.

**Festival of trees is coming soon** (11/30-12/3) and we are looking for a couple individuals interested in helping decorate the tree. Are you creative or love to decorate? Even if you don't... if you want to help, please contact Sonja Smith, 402-214-8512.