

Grace Baptist Church
Lord's Day Worship Service
The First Sunday of Advent
November 30, 2008 – 10:30 a.m.



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Next Sunday, December 7, we'll share a fellowship meal together after the morning service, which will be followed by a brief presentation from Jeremy Berrus on his recently completed short-term missions trip to Papua New Guinea.

This Wednesday Night, December 3, we'll meet after the service for a brief choral rehearsal in preparation for the Christmas Eve service. Please stay if you would like to sing in the group.

[GBC Bible Reading Schedule](#)

Monday, December 1

John 14:1-14; Revelation 1:1-8

Tuesday, December 2

John 14:15-21; Revelation 1:9-20

Wednesday, December 3

John 14:22-31; Revelation 2:1-17

Thursday, December 4

John 15:1-8; Revelation 2:18-29

Friday, December 5

John 15:9-17; Revelation 3:1-13

Saturday, December 6

John 15:18-27; Revelation 3:14-22

“Be expectant, and let your continual exposure to God's Word reshape your attitudes and behavior as you gain a better understanding of every part of His written testimony to us.” *Discipleship Journal*

Opening Welcome Pastor Ben Rust

Call to Worship Isaiah 9:2-7 [Matthew 4.16]

Our Jesus, a light shining on Galilee of the Gentiles
2The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. **3**You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. **4**For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian [Judges 6-7]. **5**For every boot of the trampling warrior in battle tumult and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire. **6**For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. **7**Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

“Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come”
Hymn No. 195 Isaac Watts [1674-1748]

Public Reading of the Doctrinal Statement
Paragraph 7a. Of Grace and the New Birth

We believe that in order to be saved, sinners must be born again; that the new birth is a new creation

in Christ Jesus; that it is instantaneous and not a process; that in the new birth the one dead in trespasses and sins is made a partaker of the divine nature and receives eternal life, the free gift of God; that the new creation is brought about in a manner above our comprehension by our Sovereign God, not by culture or the will of man, but solely by the power of the Holy Spirit in connection with the Word of God, so as to irresistibly draw men to Himself and secure their voluntary obedience to the gospel; that the proper evidence of the new birth appears in the holy fruits wrought by it: repentance, saving faith, and newness of life. John 3:3; 2 Corinthians 5:17; 1 John 5:1; John 3:6-7; Acts 16:20-33; 2 Peter 1:4; Romans 6:23; Ephesians 2:1; Galatians 5:22; 2 Corinthians 5:19; Colossians 2:13; John 3:8; John 1:12-13; Ephesians 5:9

“All Praise to Thee, Eternal Lord” . . . Hymn No. 219
Martin Luther [1483-1546] CANONBURY

Public Reading of the Scripture Acts 21
Adam Miller

Public Pastoral Prayer

“What Child Is This” Hymn No. 213
Traditional English carol GREENSLEEVES

Offering

Public Preaching Pastor Ben Rust
Hebrews 2:5-9