### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Welcome everyone to OCM Grace Church! We are happy that you are here to worship the Lord together! May the Lord bless you richly with His steadfast love and joy!

### Memory Verse - 2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

### **TODAY:**

- Children's Ministry: 10:00 am
   Lesson today: Bible at the Beach The Israelites build and carry the Tabernacle (Exodus 40)
- Life Prep Classes:

The Adult and Youth Life Prep classes are on summer break.

#### Mark the Date:

8.17 – New Bridge Volunteering (see Pastor John about becoming a volunteer)

8.22 - 8.24 – Chinese Ministry Revival Meetings (see flyer)

8.29 - 9.1 – Summer Conference with Main Church 8.31 – Sunday Eve Communion Worship 7:30 pm, Dinner provided at 6:30 pm

9.6 – *Musical Outreach* with PJ and Li-Chan - OCM Canaan Church, 2 pm

9.7 – New School Year Kickoff - "moving-up" recognition and prayer of blessing

#### **Volunteers Needed:**

CEF Good News Club at Roosevelt School. Thursday afternoons Oct - Dec 4, 3-4:30 pm. We are looking for 1-2 people with a heart for reaching children with the Gospel to join the team. Training provided. For more info see Pastor John

**Come to BP (Bible and Prayer)** Wednesday Evenings at 8 pm via Zoom. We are studying the fascinating life of David.

Please note: **Summer Schedule:** July 6 – Aug 31 Worship will be in the Fellowship Hall at 10 am. Life Prep Groups are on summer break.

Offering: Please make your offering via Zelle: ocmgracetreasury@outlook.com or by check made payable to OCM Grace Church – send to church address, Attn: Treasury (specify for missions or general fund in memo)

Attendance for 8/10: 41

#### **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

PRAYER 9:30 AM WORSHIP 10:00 AM

### WEEKDAY PRAYER TIME

DAILY TUES-FRI 12:00 PM WEDNESDAY WITH BIBLE STUDY 8:00 PM SEE CHURCH WEBSITE FOR THE ZOOM MTG TIMES AND LINKS

#### Daily Bible Reading:

https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/daily.php?year=B

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#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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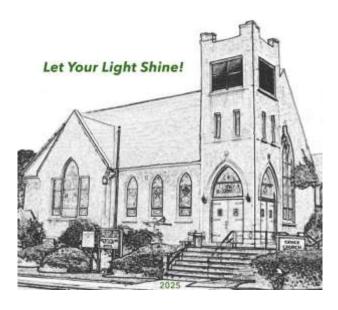
(<u>Please email or call Pastor John for any prayer requests</u> or personal consultation)

# **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

Erin Miu (Christian Education, Building/Service; Treasury)
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### OCM Grace Church

# August 17, 2025



In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Matthew 5:16

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#### **OUR PRAYERS**

Dear Father in Heaven, we give you thanks for reconciliation. It is your desire that we be reconciled to you through Jesus, and then to one another. Make your love melt our hearts so that we can experience the joy of living for which you created us. In Jesus, the old is gone, the new has come. New creations in Christ - Hallelujah! *Amen* 

Pray supplications, prayers, intercession for all people. For leaders in high positions.1 Tim. 2:1-2

#### Personal needs:

- <u>Health and recovery</u>: Harumi's recovery from knee surgery; Celine's father; Coty's sister Amy; PJ's sister Nancy; Peter Konopka; James Loy; Kaling's mother; Willie's wife Lyndell; Kwong's mother; Albert; Jiri's (Jerry) wife Eva; Don; Minister Sandy
- · Peace and strength: Christina, Yacer
- Special protection: Peter Mui, Mary Bruno

#### **Missions:**

 Pray for our missionaries: Donna Baptiste, The Lacys, Kenny/Cindy C., Gordon H., Daniel/Karla, Esther, Linda S. (CEF), Calvin C.

#### **Our World:**

- Mercy and Justice for the poor, oppressed, and those under war-induced sufferings, in particular Burkina Faso, Sudan, Haiti, Ukraine, Russia, Gaza, Israel and Iran
- Pray for persecuted Christians everywhere

### **Our Nation:**

- Just and righteous government and God-fearing leadership
- Provision for the poor and needy
- · Spiritual revival and turning to Christ
- An end to violence
- Pray for mercy/provision for victims of natural disasters
- For God's comfort for those suffering great loss from flooding in Texas and in Plainfield, NJ

Call to Worship Alfred

Confession of Sin

**Apostles Creed** 

Praise Pastor John & Li-Chan

Children's Message Pastor John

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 Pat

Sermon Pastor John

# **God's Healing Through Reconciliation**

Song of Response

Intercessory Prayer Alfred

Offering Alfred

Testimony of God's Love Samuel

Announcements Alfred

Benediction Pastor John

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 18: 1-2

I love you, O Lord, my strength.

<sup>2</sup> The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my salvation,
my stronghold.

#### SERMON NOTES