Upcoming Events

NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 **1**	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 **2** **3**	9	10	11	12	13	14 **4**
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29 **9**	30					

1 – *First Step Class*
2 – *Return The Community Table Bundles*
3 – *Membership Class*
4 – *gsMEN's Breakfast*
5 – *gsYOUTH Parent Missions Meeting*
6 – *Child Dedication*
7 – *In-Service Baptism*
8 – *THANKSGIVING*
9 – *Advent Series Begins*

DECEMBER

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1 – *gsOUTREACH Trip Info Meeting*
2 – *Christmas Respite Night*
3 – *gsMEN's Breakfast*
4 – *An Evening of Remembrance*
5 – *CHRISTMAS EVE*
6 – *CHRISTMAS!*

Find the full calendar and extra information about these events online! *Head to gracespringchurch.org/events*

Engage at Home

A Prayer for Hope

Father,
Nothing in this life compares to the hope that only You can give, the hope found in Jesus, and for that we are eternally grateful! In everything that we do, we pray for You to be like a compass in our hearts, showing us how to live out this hope You have given us. Let our awareness of Your presence create a light and peace in our life that is a blessing to everyone around us as we go about this holiday season. Help us not to rely on ourselves for the joy and delight You so readily offer, but instead look to You so the hope we carry with us is steadfast.

Amen.

RECOMMENDED *Advent* RESOURCES



The Biggest Story Advent: 25 Lift-the-Flap Devotions for Families
by Kevin DeYoung & Don Clark



God with Us: A Daily Advent Prayer Journal
by The Daily Grace Co



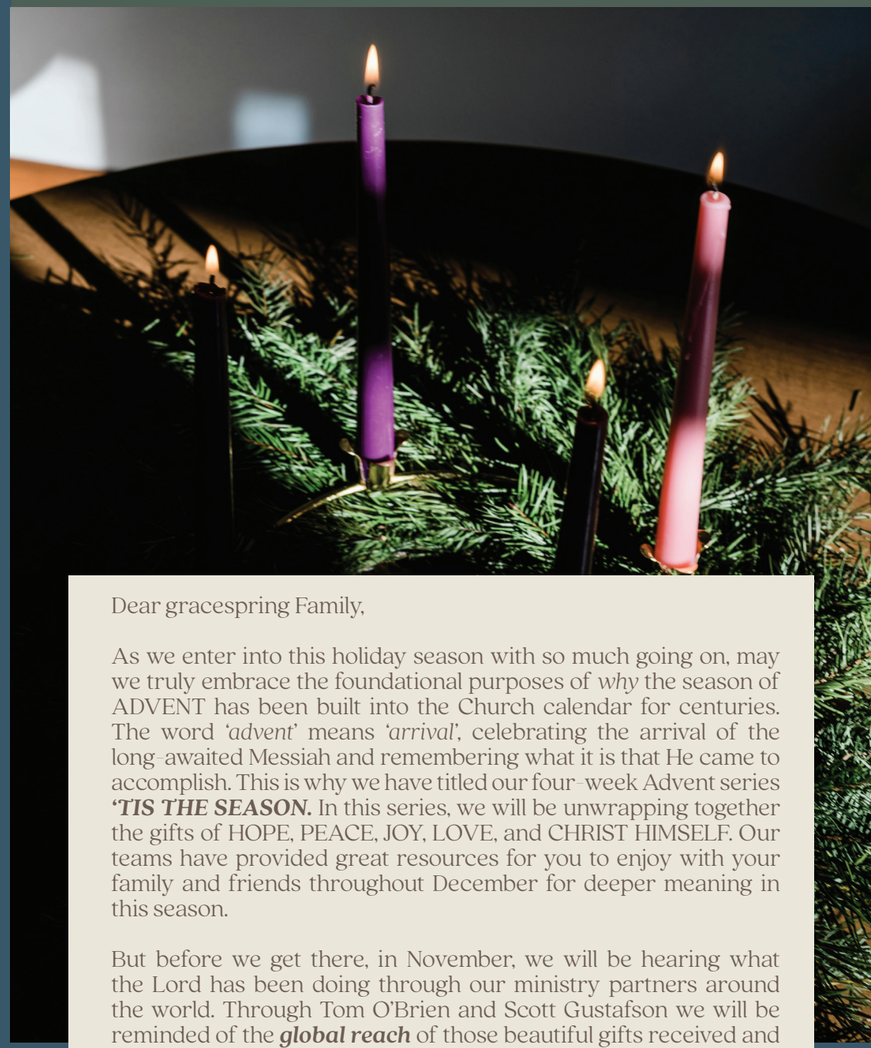
Joy of Every Longing Heart Advent Study
by The Daily Grace Co



Advent 2026 Conversation Guide
by She Reads Truth

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gracespring Newsletter



Dear gracespring Family,

As we enter into this holiday season with so much going on, may we truly embrace the foundational purposes of *why* the season of ADVENT has been built into the Church calendar for centuries. The word *'advent'* means *'arrival'*, celebrating the arrival of the long-awaited Messiah and remembering what it is that He came to accomplish. This is why we have titled our four-week Advent series ***'TIS THE SEASON.*** In this series, we will be unwrapping together the gifts of HOPE, PEACE, JOY, LOVE, and CHRIST HIMSELF. Our teams have provided great resources for you to enjoy with your family and friends throughout December for deeper meaning in this season.

But before we get there, in November, we will be hearing what the Lord has been doing through our ministry partners around the world. Through Tom O'Brien and Scott Gustafson we will be reminded of the ***global reach*** of those beautiful gifts received and how those gifts are literally changing cultures. 2 Corinthians 9:15 says "*Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift.*", so may we celebrate the reality that GOD IS ON THE MOVE and continues to accomplish His work in and through the lives of His faithful children, who, as a result of knowing Him, share His heart for the world.

In His Grip,
Pastor Bryan

'Tis the Season

Throughout this Advent season, we will journey through the hope, peace, joy, and love we find in Jesus. On Christmas Eve, we'll celebrate where it all leads: *the presence of God with us.*

Join us for a meaningful evening of worship, scripture, candlelight, and the story at the heart of Christmas!

As you make your Christmas plans, consider who you might invite to join you. Christmas Eve can be a beautiful opportunity to extend a simple invitation to a friend, neighbor, coworker, or family member who may not normally walk through the doors of a church. Sometimes an invitation is simply a way of saying, "*There's a place for you here.*"

NOV 29 — **Advent Begins**

DEC 18 — **An Evening Of Remembrance**

Christmas Eve Service

Join us 4:30PM and 6:00PM

PLEASE JOIN US IN *Prayer*

A prayer of gratitude and petition.
PSALM 90

"Lord, You have been our dwelling place in every generation. Before the mountains were born, before you brought forth the earth and the whole world, from eternity past to eternity future, You are God....May the favor of our Lord and God rest on us, establish the work of our hands for us--yes, establish the work of our hands."

Lord our God,

We believe You are our dwelling place. We believe that because of Jesus, Your favor rests on us. Because of Jesus, we can approach You with confidence. As a church we are looking to You today, and in this season, with whole hearts filled with gratitude for what You have done and in anticipation for what You are doing in us and for us. We believe You have gone before us and prepared the way to carry our church forward as 2026 draws to an end and as we seek Your wisdom, Your guidance, and Your provision of our next Lead Pastor. We pray with expectancy and open ears and hearts so that we may hear what You have for us.

Amen.

To pray through your week:

-May we trust in the Lord who is our dwelling place and pray that He would establish the work of our hands during this search (Psalm 90).
-Let's pray for the confidence to know that the Father has gone before us and prepared the way to carry our church forward as 2026 draws to an end and as we seek His wisdom, guidance, and provision of a new Lead Pastor.
-Pray that we would be unified as a congregation in joyful anticipation of our Lord to move among us as we surrender our hearts to Him and His will.

gsOutreach

PARTNER/TRIP INFO MEETING

DECEMBER 6TH 12:30PM-1:30PM

Don't miss the opportunity to find out details about our 2027 gsOUTREACH Serve Trips! The details will include: destinations, actual travel dates, and info for GOERS, SENDERS, PRAYERS, and MENTORS. This will also be an opportunity to hear stories from past trip participants!

We seek to connect and build relationships with people here and with those serving in other places through ministries of prayer, presence, encouragement, and practical help. And we are not just looking for Goers! We are seeking individuals or groups who would be willing to pray and walk alongside those who are going—pre, during, and post-trip—to encourage, rightly focus, and be intentional about noticing what God is doing around the world.

To learn more about trip opportunities and deadlines for applying for a 2027 serve team, please plan on attending the December 6, 2026 meeting.



