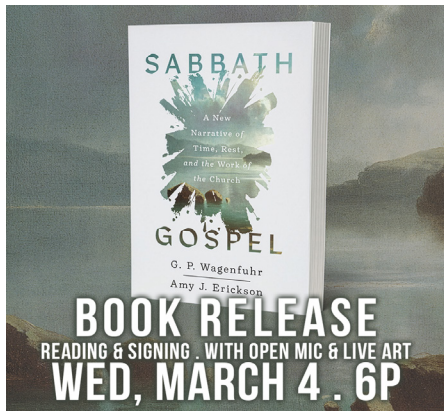


Connect with Grace

Special events, ongoing programs, Connect Card, and more can be found on our website: yakimagrace.com or on the Yakima Grace App.



You're invited to Poetry Open Mic Night to listen and share original or favorite poetry. It also includes a book signing from Pastor Gregory for his new book, *Sabbath Gospel*.



We are now enrolling for the 2026-27 school year! Follow the QR code to learn more about our 3-Day & 5-Day programs.



Scan the QR code to RSVP for the light meal and learn about this poignant service as we begin the season of Lent.



Stay up-to-date on all the events happening at Grace! View our calendars: yakimagrace.com/events



Grace of Christ Church

To Love Jesus, Love our City, Together in Community - February 15, 2026



WELCOME TO GRACE!

This week is our Annual Meeting where we will review the previous year and talk about how the future is shaping out. For the sermon, we'll be considering a time of major transition in the Bible; the challenges, misunderstandings, and hope that came along with it: Caleb and Joshua's report.

When the people were coming to the end of the exodus, they were afraid that the land was full of the Nephilim (sometimes translated as giants). It was. Whether this was cause for concern was the big question. Was God with them or not?

The same question lies before us in our time... We know where we've come from and the future might look frightening. The land is rich. The future could be bright... But there are indeed giants ahead of us. The question is, is God with us or not?

Rev. Dr. Gregory Wagenfuhr

Families: After the service, please pick up your children from Sunday School upstairs before the meeting begins. Childcare will be open during the annual meeting.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9am - Contemporary Worship
9:15am - Kids & Youth dismissed to their classes
11am - Traditional Worship - Choir & Organ

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Lead Pastor - Rev Dr Gregory Wagenfuhr
Kids & Families - Sarah Huck | Youth & Young Adults - Kara Candid

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4. You do NOT need to take a picture or download an app.

Wolves and Giants? Piece of Cake!

Rev. Dr. Gregory Wagenfuhr

Scripture: Matthew 10:16, Numbers 13:25-14:10

Study Questions

Foundation 1: The Fear is Real

The Hebrew people were afraid of real threats. The Nephilim connect us to Genesis 6, as part of the reason for the flood. They also connect with Goliath, if they are indeed giants (Goliath was likely 6'7" when the average male was 5'3"). What connections could you draw between Genesis 6, the Sons of Anak, and David vs. Goliath?

Foundation 2: Fear of the Future Rose-Colors the Past

God had brought them through the wilderness for 40 years and they couldn't trust him to bring them to their next season. So they wanted to go back to Egypt... where they were slaves. Are there times and places you remember with rose-colored glasses? How might fear help color that memory?

Foundation 3: God is Bigger than Fear, Therefore Be Wise

Jesus connects the fear of being sent out as sheep among wolves with wisdom or shrewdness and innocence. Do the right thing, but don't be naïve, perhaps. We often think of faith being the antidote to fear, and it is in part... so how does wisdom overcome fear?

Implications: So What? God is Ready to Meet us in Our Future

With God, the giants are a piece of cake. That doesn't mean they're not going to have to fight them. Joshua and Caleb later do fight them and win. How might God be faithful in a future that looks different to the past?

Applications: Now What? The Solution to Fear is Wisdom

What are areas you have fear, and how might wisdom and faith help you overcome?

Prayer

Fear is not combatted with blind confidence or reckless abandon. So we look to God in prayer for wisdom, that we would be equipped and surrounded by a community of faithful people to confront fear with confidence.

UPCOMING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ONE SERVICE & ANNUAL MEETING TODAY

Following our one worship service today, we will have our annual meeting at which time the budget will be presented and members will vote to approve pastoral Terms of Call and 2025 meeting minutes. We have the annual report and meeting packet posted under Sunday > 2026 Annual Meeting.

Families: Please pick up your children from Sunday School upstairs. Childcare will be open during the meeting.

LAST KOINONIA LUNCH - FEB 23

We have one more Koinonia Lunch scheduled on Monday, Feb 23. If you would like to get to know our new pastor and his wife a little better, please attend or host this lunch. Sign up online at yakimagrace.com/koinonia.

CHURCH CLOSED FEB 16

The church will be closed on Monday, Feb 16 in observance of Presidents Day.

NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY AVAILABLE

Church Photo Directories are available for purchase at the Welcome Center or in the main office. Recommended donation of \$4 to cover costs of printing.

DID YOU KNOW?

NEED WIFI?

Network: Guest Wifi PW: JesusLovesMe!

VISITING TODAY?



Follow the QR Code to find out more about what to expect on a Sunday morning.

You will also find info about our Sunday programs for children and teens, as well as how to connect to who we are as a church.

CONNECT CARD



We are glad you're here! Help us connect with you. Scan the code or fill out a card in the pew racks.

NEED PRAYER?

Our team is available after each service by the piano to pray and connect with you.

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