

# THE STORY

READ THE STORY. EXPERIENCE THE BIBLE.

## CHAPTER 21 Rebuilding the Walls



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FINDING YOUR STORY IN GOD'S STORY.

## GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

11 June 2023, 10:13am

### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC and CANDLE LIGHTING

### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand as you are able.*

### OPENING SONGS

***You Never Let Go***

*Beth Redman, Matt Redman*

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***Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)***

*Chris Tomlin, Louie Giglio*

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### INVOCATION and OPENING PRAYER

### CHAPTER 21: *Rebuilding the Walls*

**Introduction**

*Abbie Crist*

### THE STORY VIDEO

### SONG OF THE DAY

***Sing To The King***

*Billy Foote, Charles Horne*

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*(Kindergarten – 6<sup>th</sup> grade students are excused to attend "THE STORY FOR KIDS" in the ANNEX)*

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

*Grace Perry*

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

**Nehemiah 1:1-9**

*"Nehemiah's Prayer"*

*Steve Yearout*

**1 Thessalonians 5:1-11**

*"The Day of the Lord"*

*Joanne Runnels*

### THE STORY CONTINUES

**The Upper Story (God's Story)**

*"Rebuilding Walls, Rebuilding Lives"*

**The Lower Story (Our Story)**

*"Your Mess is No Match For God's Mercy"*

# *Sermon Notes*

Main Point

*Scripture Verse*

Upper Story Meaning

*God's Perspective*

Lower Story Meaning

*Our perspective*

THE STORY Meaning

*How do the two stories become THE Story?*

Application

*What does this mean for me?*

## THANKFUL GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### **Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support of Grace Ministries.**

Our ability to continue to serve you, the Church, and our community is greatly dependent upon the willingness of God's people to give of their time, talents and treasures. Please remember to support the LORD'S Church by regularly sending in your tithes and offerings; by mail, online at [www.GraceLutheranCC.com/Giving](http://www.GraceLutheranCC.com/Giving), or download the *GivePlus* Mobile App. As the Apostle Paul writes, "Each one must give as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7). If you brought your tithe or offering with you today, you may place them in the box marked "I Bring An Offering To The Lord" sitting on the table next to the usher's station at the entrance to the sanctuary.

*Please stand.*

## OFFERTORY SONG

**Hosanna**

Carl Tuttle

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## REPENTANCE and RENEWAL

Romans 7:12, 22-25

*The law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.*

**For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being,**

*but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.*

**Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?**

*Let us confess our sins to God, our merciful Father,*

*In silent prayer, we bring our sins to the foot of the cross.*

*To You, O God,*

**we confess that we have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and deeds, and by the good we have failed to do. Our love for You and for our neighbors has been weak or even dead. By Your Law, You reveal the judgment we rightly deserve. Because Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, has fulfilled Your Law on our behalf, we beg Your forgiveness and ask that by Your grace, You would restore us to life with You in the fellowship of all believers. Amen.**

*Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ, our Lord! God has heard your confession. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the **†** Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Mathew 6:9-13*

*Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:*

**Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

### **THE STORY CHALLENGE**

*Joanne Runnels*

*Please stand.*

### **BLESSING TO DEPART**

### **DEPARTING SONG**

***Lift Him Up***

*Reba Rambo*

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*Thank you for worshiping with us today.*

*Please join us for refreshments and conversation in the Grace Fellowship Hall.*

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# Grace Notes

June 11, 2023

## WELCOME VISITORS AND GUESTS!

We're glad you're here and invite you to consider yourself part of our Grace family. We would love to connect with you. Please fill in the "Welcome Card" found in the pew rack and place it in the basket on the table at the entrance to the sanctuary. Thank You!

Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support of Grace Ministries. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the grey box sitting on the table next to the usher's station at the back of the sanctuary.

### OUR STEWARDSHIP

General Giving Needed Monthly: \$17,917

**June--month to date: \$3902**

Designated Giving: \$ N/A

Building Fund: \$5000

Sunday School/Mission: \$10

Food Pantry: 22 people/47 bags

Worship Attendance: 66

Small Group Studies: 55



*Altar Flowers*  
Provided by  
**Ray & Susie Melvin**  
**In Memory of Dad Melvin**  
  
Flowers Needed for  
July 2 & 30

Grace  
Connect Ministry

**Pastoral Home Visits** (with Holy Communion, if requested) have begun! We will be working through our list of family members at Grace and setting appointments for Thursday and Friday afternoons. If

you would like a visit soon, please call Karla Dillon at the church office (707) 464-4712.

# Prayer Requests

**People who are traveling:** Patsy Nettleton; Carole and David Cink; Mike and Barbara Allen;

**Healing:** Owen Crist -facing many surgeries ahead, Sheila Shanle undergoing chemo again; Francisco Torres recovering from surgery to remove a cancerous tumor; Chris Colacicco (Sue D'Errico's younger brother) has aggressive bladder cancer; Bryan Stanley recovery from May 19 surgery; Patricia Waggoner (friend of Erik Hauan) awaiting gastral-intestinal surgery; Robin Chase who has cancer; prayers for the aging in our congregation and those recently diagnosed with cancer. **Encouragement:** Joan Butler who is caring for her mother.

## IN OUR CONTINUED PRAYERS

Those who are hospitalized, chronically ill, in nursing home/care facilities, or otherwise in need of encouragement.

**Cards and calls are always appreciated!**

Bryan Stanley, Angela Stanley, Preston Reed (Janis Sad's brother, heart & lung issues), Jeannie Tardif, Mary Jean Ames, Seth Bauer, Ruthe Mayer, Winnifred 'Wyn' Miller, Ashlie and Jared Newton, Ashlie Reed, Pam Meirndorf 's relative Julia Schafer who is in dialysis; Mary Rupprecht, Nancy and David Scott, Della Schmidt, Ray Melvin's brother Gary, the family of Tony Dantzman.

**Family and friends serving in the military:** Chris Beeson, Sgt. Troy Clements, David Eninger, Gannon Machado, Collin Matz, Daniel Quick, Mark Tatara, Brent Thompson, Guy Walker, and Antonia Shanle.

**Please help us to stay up to date regarding those in need of our prayers by callina the office at 707-464-4712. Please report back anv updates.**

**Today is Mite Box Sunday. Thank you for supporting Lutheran Women in Mission.**



## THIS WEEK AT GRACE

OFFICE OPEN 10:00AM - 3:00PM | TUESDAY - FRIDAY

June 11-17, 2023

*NOTE: The church office will be open 10:00am – 1:00pm  
June 2-16 during Karla's Vacation*

<b>Sunday:</b>	9:00am	The Story: Chapter 20 Review
	10:13am	<b>Sunday Worship—The Story: Chapter 21</b>
		Nursery & Children's Church—The Story for Kids
	11:13am	Fellowship Time
	5:00pm	Young Couples Small Group "Un-Disturbed"
<b>Monday:</b>	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	
	2pm-4pm	Food Pantry
<b>Tuesday:</b>	11:00am	LWML Bible Study
<b>Wednesday:</b>	11:00am	The Story Bible Study "The Heart of God's Story"
	5:30pm	Dinner
	6:00pm	The Story Bible Study "The Heart of God's Story"
<b>Thursday:</b>	10:00am	LWML Quilters
	12:00pm	Culture & Christianity Small Group
	5:00pm	Worship Team Practice
<b>Friday:</b>	5:30pm	Cochran Small Group
<b>Saturday</b>	10:00am	Women's Small Group, The Story

For additional information about events and ministries, check the church calendar online at [www.GraceLutheranCC.com](http://www.GraceLutheranCC.com).