

# GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH, KAILUA KONA, HAWAII

#### events

**Aloha!** Thank you for joining us this morning. If you would like to know us better, please visit the welcome table.

Nursery and Kids' Church are available. Parents, please signin your children at the nursery.

**Thank you** to all those who worked at our Family Workday

# Walk the Way of the Cross

Sun. Apr. 2 - Sat. Apr. 8. Guided tours by appointment. A special guided tour on Good Friday at 5:30p

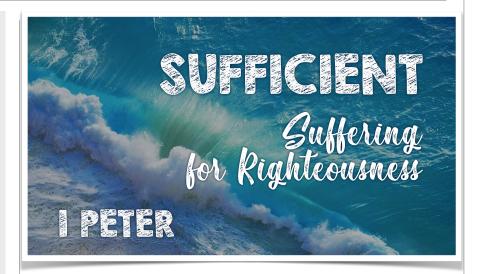
#### Ways to Give:

- Online on our website or app
- Giving box on Sundays
- Mail a check to the church

### **2022 Budget Final Numbers**

- Budgeted \$340,000
- Actual Giving \$361,525
- Actual Expenses \$335,765

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Paul Kreitzer, Elder 1 Peter 3: 13-22

**Big Idea of 1 Peter:** God's Grace is sufficient for every situation.

**Today's Big Idea:** Christ is the great example for the suffering Christian.

- Suffering arises out of relationships where faith is tried.
  v.13
- Peter asserts that any who suffer for the right reasons are "Blessed" or "Happy" v. 14
- The proper behavior in Suffering v. 14b-17.
- •The encouragement for those who suffer v. 18-22

#### **SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

- **Sound Team (training provided)** We need help with audio setup and management on Sunday mornings
- Children's Church We need help teaching our keiki about Jesus on Sunday mornings
- Way of the Cross We need help on Saturday, April 1st setting up our interactive tour of the Easter story that we make available in the weeks leading up to Easter Service

If you can help with any of these service opportunities, please see Tim Dalhouse or contact him at timdalhouse@gmail.com or 808-772-3996. We really appreciate your help spreading the good news of our Lord Jesus through these service opportunities!

## **SEARCH COMMITTEE INFORMATION**

Grace Community Church is seeking a pastor who is being led by God to be the shepherd and teacher of our congregation in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii. Potential candidates will possess the relational, doctrinal, leadership and administrative gifts to equip our community of authentic believers to pursue making disciples in our community and throughout the nations.

Contact the Search Committee at searchteam@gracekona.org if you have questions or would like more information.

# **GRACE GROUP QUESTIONS**

1.	Verses 13-18 deal with the topic of suffering. Peter and many early Christians suffered and were challenged because of their faith. How does Peter encourage them to respond in this passage?
2.	In verse 14, Peter says that we are blessed if we "suffer for what is right", which seems counterintuitive. Have you ever felt blessed after suffering for Christ? How did it compare to how you might have expected to feel?
3.	How can we hold tighter to our blessings in the midst of suffering?
4.	In v. 17, Peter talks about how we can actually suffer more in this life for doing good than if we just indulge our evil impulses. Can you share about a time in your life when this has happened to you?
5.	Peter says that we should share our faith with gentleness and respect (v. 16). What does this look like, practically? Why is it important?
6.	In verses 20, 21 a comparison is drawn between salvation in the ark and baptism. What is Peter's point as it relates to baptism?
7.	How does verse 22 serve as a comfort to a suffering Christian?