



Grace Polaris Church

Grace Polaris Church exists to honor God by multiplying devoted followers of Jesus through worship, community, training, and witness.

Previous Lead Pastors

Dave Hocking
1964–1968

Jim Custer
1968–2007

Dave Plaster
2007–2010

Mike Yoder
2011–2022

College of Elders

Jim Augspurger

Jim Bauman

Tim Brown

Jeff Cain

Jim Custer

George Dirscherl

Scott Dissinger

Brian Elder

Dan Green

Jack Gross

Dan Hammers

Warren Hastings

Zac Hess

Jeff Kiener

Bob LaMonte

Victor Melfe

Nathan Miles

Mark Mousa

Bill Munsey

Dave Nicodemus

Nate Samblanet

Jay Sharp

Bernie Simmons

Jim Taylor

Dan Troutner

Tim Waggoner

Gary Webb

Chuck Wigton

Jonathan Wiley

Bernie Woller

Mike Yoder



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Installation Ceremony Pastor Zac Hess



Sunday, May 7, 2023

**Grace Polaris Church
Westerville, Ohio**

Order of Ceremony

Welcome	Jonathan Wiley
Congregational Song	<i>Let the Nations be Glad</i>
Congregational Song	<i>My Savior's Love</i>
Colossians 1:24–29	Dave Nicodemus
Installation Address	Tim Sprankle
Congregational Song	<i>There is a Fountain</i>
1 Timothy 4:11–16	Lucas Cone
Charge to the Pastor	Matt Harmon
Congregational Song	<i>Grace</i>
Hebrews 13:7–9, 17	Jim Augspurger
Charge to the Church	Mike Yoder
Commissioning Vows	Victor Melfe
Commissioning Prayer	Jim Augspurger
Commissioning Prayer	Jay Sharp
Family Greeting	Sarah Hess
Pastoral Greeting	Zac Hess
Congregational Song	<i>He Will Hold Me Fast</i>
Benediction	Jonathan Wiley

Guest Speakers

Pastor Tim Sprankle, Leesburg Grace Church

Zac and Sarah began attending Leesburg Grace at Dave Plaster's recommendation. Zac interned with Tim during seminary.

Dr. Matt Harmon, Grace College & Theological Seminary

Matt and his wife Kate have mentored Zac and Sarah since seminary. Matt has had a significant influence in shaping Zac's theology.

Pastor Mike Yoder, Encompass World Partners

Mike hired Zac in 2012. As Zac's predecessor, he has modeled faithful preaching, visionary leadership, and ministry teamwork.

Pastor's Letter

Grace Polaris Church Family,

We are rarely able to comprehend the mysterious providence of God. Yet, we trust that He is good, sovereign, and making all things work for His glory and praise.



Since this role became a possibility, I have felt an intense joy and an immense weight. Those feelings remain, but our love for you continues to grow, and the affirmation from the Lord remains strong.

You have welcomed, supported, and prayed for us. We are excited to continue this journey as we press on together, furthering our mission to honor God by multiplying devoted followers of Jesus. Our family is blessed beyond words to be part of such a vibrant church. Today is an opportunity to recommit ourselves to the Lord and to one another as we proclaim and portray the good news of Jesus Christ.

Our church has an incredible history of faithful biblical preaching, bold Gospel proclamation, visionary missionary sending, and robust theological training. As we walk together, I pray that the best of our history will be the best of our future. We want to be a healthy church that fuels healthy churches to the glory of God.

This church is truly our family. As we glorify and proclaim the name of Jesus among the neighborhoods and the nations, we pray that the Lord will keep us faithful to himself and to one another.

By His Grace,

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.
Ephesians 2:8–10