

Holidays and Holy Days: Fall 2019

GBFC Sunday Bible Class - led by Mark Bickel

Sunday	Holiday / Holy Day	Notes
September 22	Old Testament Feasts – Weekly, Yearly and Multi-Year Cycles	Overview of: Shabbat (Sabbath), Rosh HaShanah (New Year), Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement), Sukkot (Feast of Booths), Simchat Torah (Rejoicing in the Law), Chanukah (Festival of Lights), Purim (Feast of Lots), Pesach (Passover), HagHaMatzoh (Unleavened Bread), Yom HaBikkurim (First Fruits), Shavuot (Pentecost), Sabbath Year, Year of Jubilee
September 29	New Testament Fulfillment – Yearly Festivals and Holy Days	A look at how Jesus came as the fulfillment of the holy days, as well as the larger NT perspective on the imagery and ongoing practice of these days – Focus on the yearly festivals, especially Passover, Pentecost and Day of Atonement
October 6	New Testament Fulfillment – Weekly Sabbath	A look at how Jesus came as Lord of the Sabbath , as well as the NT perspective on practicing special days and its concept of rest – Focus on the weekly practice of Sabbath
October 13	New Testament Fulfillment – Sabbath Year and Jubilee	A look at how Jesus is both a current and future fulfillment of the multi-year cycles – Focus on the Sabbath Year and Year of Jubilee , as well as Eternal Rest .
<i>October 20</i>	<i>Congregational Meal</i>	<i>No Classes</i>
<i>October 27</i>	<i>Day of Prayer / Teen Prayer Partners</i>	<i>Special Prayer Time</i>
<i>November 3</i>	<i>Men’s and Women’s Groups</i>	<i>Special Classes for this week only</i>
<i>November 10</i>	<i>Missions Conference</i>	<i>Special Missions Conference Classes</i>
<i>November 17</i>	<i>Missions More in Depth</i>	<i>Special Missions Conference Classes</i>
November 24	Christian Practices Then and Now – including “Lord’s Day Celebration”	A look at the seasons of the church through time as well as some modern practices ... Including a modern “Lord’s Day Celebration”
December 1	Advent, Weeks 1 & 2	Longing for Hope, Longing for Joy
<i>December 8</i>	<i>Grace Café / Congregational Meeting</i>	<i>No Classes</i>
December 15	Advent, Weeks 3 & 4	Longing for Love, Longing for Peace
December 22	Christmas	Christ Fulfills our Longing
December 29	Epiphany, Normal Time	Longing for Heaven, Living on Earth

This class will be a combination of teaching on the various festivals, meditations and times of worship appropriate to some of the observations occurring around the time of class (Advent, Christmas), and practical, hands-on celebrations (Lord’s Day Celebration). Most classes will be led by Pastor Mark Bickel, but some will have guest leaders for part or all of the class. Notes for most classes will be posted online at gracebfc.org (under Resources, Documents). Some charts given out in class are not allowed to be further reproduced and will not be available online due to copyright restrictions. **Feel free to contact Mark anytime at mbickel@gracebfc.org** to receive a copy or with any questions.