



On Diversity

Rev. James Lee

There are four fish in the aquarium at our home. One of them, for reasons I do not know, has one fin that is shorter than the other. So we call this fish Nemo, after the main character in the animated film *Finding Nemo*. Nemo is incredibly active. He never stays still. Even in the small tank, he tirelessly explores every corner. Perhaps because of his short fin, Nemo always seems to be standing upright. Maybe his balance is off, because his face is often tilted upward toward the surface. And when he swims, he doesn't glide smoothly but seems to hop and bounce along. For that reason, Nemo always catches my eye.

Another fish has a noticeably bulging belly. For a while, it barely moved and hid under a rock, so I wondered if it might be carrying eggs. It even refused food, which made me worry. But after a few days, I saw it eating well and swimming around happily, and I realized I had misunderstood. There is also the largest fish among the four. Whenever I feed them, it seems to eat all the big pieces of food. Perhaps because of that, the other fish appear to be wary of it. And then there is the last fish. This one has no particular distinguishing features. It is neither big nor small compared to the others. It is not especially active, nor especially still. It is the most ordinary of the four. Even in a small aquarium, each fish looks different, moves differently, and lives in its own way.

Watching these four fish live in such different ways within a small tank reminds me that we are no different. Each of us has our own way of living. Some people are quick-tempered. Some cannot tolerate anything that blocks their way. Others are never in a hurry—slow in speech and slow in action, sometimes to the point of testing our patience. Some people embrace everyone, while others seem to end up in conflict with anyone they meet.

The church is a place where truly diverse people gather. I am not always right, and things do not always have to go my way. We must learn to recognize the many different ways others live and find a path we can walk together. We need the wisdom to distinguish between what is wrong and what is simply different, and the generosity to accept diversity.



Mission Field that Our Church Supports

Amazon, Brazil : Andrew Kang Missionary
General Assembly : Support for beginning & non-independent Church
Grace Bible Church(Micronesia Church)



Table with 3 columns: Service Name, Time, Location. Rows include Sunday worship, Sunday School, Early morning Prayer, Intercessory Prayer meeting, Disciple Training Man of Jesus, New comers Class, Yedam Community, Korean School (Plan), and College & Adult.



Church Map



Church Address

1310 S. Longmore
Mesa AZ 85202



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Ephesians 4:13
until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

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Worship

Sunday Worship 11:00 AM

‘From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another.’ John 1:16

Confession of Faith	Apostle’s Creed
Hymn	Praise & Worship
Prayer	Elder Sung Sik Kwak
Scripture Reading	Psalm 37:1-11
Sermon	“A Christian who holds hope” -Rev. James Lee-
Welcome & Church Announcement	Rev. James Lee
Offering & Praise	“Come Holy Spirit” Offering: Jay Sung/Jeon Hee Jin
Benediction	Rev. James Lee



Worship Service Volunteers

	Prayer Sunday	Prayer Sat.	Offering	Lunch(Sunday)		Cleaning
				Serving	Dish washer	
2/01	Sungsik	Youl Cho (2/7)	Jay Seong Hee Jin	Young Joon	Faith	Hephzibah (2/7)
2/08	Bohyun	MinJin (2/14)	Seong Hee Eun Young	Seung Heon	Hephzi-bah	Joshua (2/14)
2/15	Minhyuk	Shinwoo (2/21)	Bohyun/ Yoon Jeong	Young Seon	Joshua	Timothy (2/21)
2/22	Younglim	Jay Jang (2/28)	MinHyuk/ Cristy Mc.		Timothy	Faith (2/28)
Worship Guide: Bo Hyun Kim, Hee Jin Jeon						



Church Announcement

“Welcome to the Community Becoming Like Jesus. We sincerely welcome you. We look forward to a beautiful fellowship and meeting after the worship service.”

Welcome to New Members	We welcome those who are visiting our church for the first time or just stopping by.
Yedam Community Leaders meeting	Date: 1 Feb. 1:00 pm Place: Korean School office
Lunch Fellowship	Please sign up on the fellowship hall bulletin board if you are able to serve for the lunch fellowship.
Pastoral updates	General Assembly mission team leader meeting 2 Feb – 3 Feb, San Jose Presby. Church
Online Offering Instructions	You can send it to the email address below using Zelle or PayPal.. ckpcaz1200@gmail.com



매일 성경읽기 및 중보기도(가정) 안내

2(Mo)	3(Tu)	4(Wn)	5(Tr)	6(Fr)	7(Sa)	8(Su)
Lev. 8-10	Lev. 11-13 Youl Cho Yoon J.	Lev. 14-15 Young S Bong H.	Lev. 16-18 Hae J. Eun Y.	Lev. 19-21 JayJ. Cindy	Lev. 22-23 Sunday Service	Lev. 24-25



Saturday Early Mornng Prayer

7, Feb. Sat. 6:30am

Confession of Faith	Apostle’s Creed
Hymn	Hymn 90, 88
Prayer	Deacon Youl Cho
Sermon	Romans 6:3,5 “Union with Christ!” Rev. James Lee



Bible Problem Solving

(Feb 1)

Leviticus 5 - 23 Name:

- When someone becomes aware of their guilt, what must they do first? (Lev. 5:5)
- Who is to eat what remains of the grain offering? (Lev. 6:16)
- How many days did Aaron’s ordination ceremony last? (Lev. 8:35)
- What animal did Aaron offer as a sin offering for himself? (Lev. 9:2)
- What did Moses command the priests not to drink when they enter the tent of meeting? (Lev. 10:9)
- Until when is a person unclean if they carry or touch a carcass? (Lev. 11:25)
- If someone has a swelling or a rash or a bright spot on their skin, to whom must they be brought? (Lev. 13:2)
- What must a person healed of leprosy remove from their body before entering the camp? (Lev. 14:8)
- What must be done to an earthen vessel touched by someone with a discharge? (Lev. 15:12)
- What must Aaron wear when he enters the Holy Place? (Lev. 16:4)
- Instead of following the customs of Egypt or Canaan, what did God command the people to keep? (Lev. 18:4)
- What is most important when rendering judgment? (Lev. 19:15)
- What punishment must be given to anyone who gives their child to Molek? (Lev. 20:2)
- What kinds of women must a priest not marry? (Lev. 21:7)
- Why were the Israelites commanded not to pick up the gleanings when harvesting grain? (Lev. 23:22)

Last Week’s Answers

- A joyful heart
- Acacia wood
- Olive oil
- Holy to the Lord
- The ransom for life
- To enable the carving of stones and wood
- A calf-shaped image
- All firstborn
- Death penalty
- Do not bring any more
- Ithamar
- Aaron
- To wash the hands and feet
- All sides of the altar
- In front of the tent of meeting