

GRACE

Community Church, PCA

A Presbyterian Church in America



Grace, Growth, Glory

August 7, 2022 10:45 am

Welcome to Grace Community Church, a Presbyterian Church in America. If you are worshipping with us for the first time, we pray that you may know the Gospel's transforming grace in Jesus Christ.

Today's Scheduled Activities:

Sunday School: 9:45-10:30am

Adults (Fellowship Hall) – God's Kingdom – Ron Brightwell

Children (Library) – "God Showing Grace in the OT"

Morning Worship Service: 10:45am – "Diligent Aspiration" Bob Burridge

Sunday Evening: 6:00pm — Family Fellowship at the Stevenson's home

Weekly Calendar:

Monday 2:15pm Women's Prayer - contact Janis Stevenson

Tuesday 9:15am Men's White Horse Stable

Wednesday 7:00pm Prayer Meeting -- will resume on September 7th

Friday 10:00am Women's 'T' Room (Exodus 34)

Fellowship and Announcements: check website for additional details

- New Supper 10 groups are available for August thru November fellowships.
- Session Meeting on August 25th
- No Sunday Night Worship on September 4th, Labor Day Weekend
- New Members Class scheduled to begin September 16th.

July 2022				
	Beginning Balance	Income	Expenses	Ending Balance
General Fund	\$ 18,961.35	\$13,759.84	\$ (8,058.24)	\$ 26,062.34
Deacons Fund	\$ 11,517.95	\$ 476.00	\$ (95.00)	\$ 11,898.95
Special Outreach Fund	\$ 652.18	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 652.18
Restoration Fund	\$ 1,109.28	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 1,409.28
Total	\$ 32,240.76	\$14,535.84	\$ (8,153.24)	\$ 40,022.75

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Order of Worship

Theme: Diligent Aspiration

Announcements

We receive
the **Call to
Worship** in
accordance
with

Hebrews
12:28

*Let us offer to
God
acceptable
worship, with
reverence and
awe.*

Call to Worship *

The service begins with a scriptural “call to worship.” It is God Himself who calls His people to Worship. We do not call ourselves, but it is the King who opens His gates and beckons us into His courts. Worship is a reflective and deliberate response to His gracious call.

Psalm 98: 1-9

Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things! His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him. The Lord has made known His salvation; He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises! Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and sound of melody! With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord! Let the sea roar; and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it! Let the rivers clap their hands! Let the hills sing for joy together before the Lord, for He comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

We offer the
**Prayer of
Invocation** in
accordance
with

Psalm 22:3
KJV

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation *

This prayer exalts the Name of the Lord and invokes His presence and communion as we come to worship Him.

*But Thou art
holy, O thou
that inhabits
the praises of
Israel.*

**Please stand if able.*

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Sing a New Song to Jehovah

1. ¹Sing a new song to Je - ho - vah for the won - ders he has wrought;
 2. ³Truth and mer - cy toward his peo - ple he has ev - er kept in mind,
 3. ⁷Seas with all your full - ness thun - der, all earth's peo - ples now re - joice;

his right hand and arm most ho - ly tri - umph to his cause have brought.
 and his full and free sal - va - tion he has shown to all man - kind.
⁸floods and hills in praise u - nit - ing, to the Lord lift up your voice.

²In his love and ten - der mer - cy he has made sal - va - tion known,
⁴Sing, O earth, sing, to Je - ho - vah, prais - es to Je - ho - vah sing;
⁹For, be - hold, the Lord is com - ing, robed in jus - tice and in might;

in the sight of ev - 'ry na - tion he his righ - teous - ness has shown.
^{5/6}with the swell - ing notes of mu - sic shout be - fore the Lord, the King.
 he a - lone will judge the na - tions, and his judg - ment shall be right.

Scripture Reading*

Proverbs 24:27-34

We receive the

**Scripture
Reading** in
accordance
with

1 Timothy 4:13

*Devote yourself
to the public
reading of
Scripture*

Prepare your work outside; get everything ready for yourself in the field, and after that fill your house. Be not a witness against your neighbor without cause, and do not deceive with your lips. Do not say, "I will do to him as he has done to me; I will pay the man back for what he has done." I passed by the field of a sluggard, by the vineyard of a man lacking sense, and behold, it was all overgrown with thorns; the ground was covered with nettles, and its stone wall was broken down. Then I saw and considered it; I looked and received instruction. A little sleep and a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest, and poverty will come upon you like a robber, and want like an armed man.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

We offer the
**Prayer of
Confession** in
accordance
with

1 John 1:9

*If we confess
our sins, He is
faithful and just
to forgive us our
sins and to
cleanse us from
all
unrighteousness.*

1 Peter 2: 24-25

He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

**Please stand if able.*

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. Phil. 4:6

1. What a Friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2. Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
 3. Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?

What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged: take it to the Lord in prayer!
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—take it to the Lord in prayer!

O what peace we of - ten for - feit, O what need - less pain we bear,
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful, who will all our sor - rows share?
 Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!

all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer.
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer!
 In his arms he'll take and shield thee: thou wilt find a so - lace there.

We offer the
**Prayer for
the
Congregation**
in accordance
with

Prayer for the Congregation

Alan and Janis Stevenson; Kawachis

1 Peter 5:7
*Casting all
your anxieties
on Him,
because He
cares for you.*

Tithes and Offerings / Offertory

Giving is an act of worship.

We give because all we are and all we have are gifts of God's grace.

We offer our
**Tithes and
Offerings**
in accordance
with

Malachi 3:10.

*Bring the full
tithe into the
storehouse.*

Confession of Faith The Westminster Confession of Faith

Of Good Works 16: 1 & 3

We offer our
**Confession of
Faith** in
accordance
with

Hebrews
10:23

*Let us hold fast
the confession
of our hope
without
wavering, for
He who
promised is
faithful.*

1. Good works are only such as God hath commanded in His holy Word, and not such as, without the warrant thereof, are devised by men, out of blind zeal, or upon any pretense of good intentions.

3. Their ability to do good works is not at all of themselves, but wholly from the Spirit of Christ. And that they may be enabled thereunto, beside the graces they have already received, there is required an actual influence of the same Holy Spirit, to work in them to will, and to do, of His good pleasure: yet are they not hereupon to grow negligent, as if they were not bound to perform any duty unless upon a special motion of the Spirit; but they ought to be diligent in stirring up the grace of God that is in them.

I Fix My Eyes on You

I fix my eyes on You
The author of my faith
Casting aside
Every sin and every weight
I fix my eyes on You
I lay my burdens down
Letting the cares
Of this world now fade away

One thing I ask
This one thing I seek
That I may dwell in Your house
O Lord my King
All the days of my life
I want to gaze upon Your beauty
And seek You in this holy place

(Repeat)

We offer the
**Prayer for
Illumination**
in accordance
with
Psalm
119:130

*The unfolding
of Your words
gives light; it
imparts
understanding
to the simple.*

We submit to
the
**Preaching of
God's Word**
in accordance
with
Romans
10:17.

*So, faith comes
from hearing,
and hearing
through the
word of Christ.*

Prayer for Illumination Preaching of God's Word

"Diligent Aspiration"
I Thessalonians 4: 9-12

God calls us to aspire to live humbly and responsibly in all we do
with love for one another and as a testimony to all the world.

Communion

Next Week: Rev. Brent Bergman – "Marks of a True Believer"
Romans 2: 25-29

When Morning Gilds the Skies

I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips. Ps. 34:1

1. When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing cries:
 2. When sleep her balm de - nies, my si - lent spir - it sighs:
 3. Does sad - ness fill my mind? A so - lace here I find:
 4. In heav'n's e - ter - nal bliss the love - liest strain is this:

May Je - sus Christ be praised. A - like at work and prayer
 May Je - sus Christ be praised. When e - vil thoughts mo - lest,
 May Je - sus Christ be praised. Or fades my earth - ly bliss?
 May Je - sus Christ be praised. The pow'rs of dark - ness fear,

to Je - sus I re - pair: May Je - sus Christ be praised.
 with this I shield my breast: May Je - sus Christ be praised.
 My com - fort still is this: May Je - sus Christ be praised.
 when this sweet chant they hear: May Je - sus Christ be praised.

5. Let earth's wide circle round
 in joyful notes resound:
 May Jesus Christ be praised.
 Let air and sea and sky,
 from depth to height, reply:
 May Jesus Christ be praised.

6. Be this, while life is mine,
 my canticle divine:
 May Jesus Christ be praised.
 Be this th'eternal song,
 through all the ages on:
 May Jesus Christ be praised.

Benediction

We receive the
Benediction in
accordance
with Leviticus
9:22-23

Hebrews 13: 20-21

Now may the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be Glory forever and ever. Amen.

*Then Aaron
lifted up his
hands toward
the people and
blessed them.*

Weekly Prayer Journal

(August 7 - 13, 2022)

Please notify us of new prayer requests or answers to prayer. You may call the church office at 727-789-2124 or e-mail the information to faithkeeper77@juno.com.

Sunday: Prayer Theme **God's Sanctifying Truth** *We thank you for the crown of life which God has promised to those who love him; James 1:12 the inheritance imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for us. 1Peter 1:4 That having here no lasting city, Hebrews 13:14 we are encouraged to seek the better country, that is, the heavenly one; Hebrews 11:16 the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. Hebrews 11:10*

Monday: Prayer Needs – The Kawachis. *Lord, remove the heart of stone from my flesh and give me a heart of flesh. Ezekiel 11:19 Make me afraid of every form of evil, 1 Thess. 5:22 and careful not to be outwitted by Satan, since I am not ignorant of his designs. 2Cor 2:11 Lord, give me the happiness which they have who fear always; Psalm 128:1 that when I think I stand, I may take heed lest I fall. 1Cor 10:12*

Tuesday: *We have been very guilty concerning our brother; Genesis 42:21 for we have not pursued what makes for peace or for mutual upbuilding. Romans 14:19 And if in anything we have transgressed and wronged our brother, 1Thess 4:6 if we have walked with falsehood, and our foot has hastened to deceit, Job 31:5 and if any spot has stuck to our hands, Job 31:7 Lord, discover it to us, that if we have done iniquity, we may do it no more. Job 34:32*

Wednesday: *For the divisions that are among us, there are great searchings of heart; Judges 5:16(ESV) for there are three against two and two against three in a house. Luke 12:52(ESV) But is the breach as vast as the sea, which cannot be healed? Lamentations 2:13(ESV) Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of the daughter of our people not been restored? Jeremiah 8:22(ESV) Lord, repair the breaches of our land, for because of them it totters. Psalm 60:2*

Thursday: *You Lord cause the grass to grow for the livestock and plants for man to cultivate, that you may bring forth food from the earth and wine to gladden the heart of man, oil to make his face shine, and bread to strengthen his heart. Psalm 104:14-15 You give to all life and breath and everything; Acts 17:25 and the earth, O LORD, is full of your steadfast love. Psalm 119:64*

Friday: Give thanks for our church body and pray for our sanctification, the Pastors, the Elders and Deacons, and Alan & Janis Stevenson.

Saturday: *We bless you Lord that if we walk in the light, we have fellowship with one another, 1John 1:7 even with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours. 1Cor 1:2*

Grace Community Church PCA exists for ...

The proclamation of God's grace.

God's will for His Church is for the Church to proclaim and defend Truth (I Tim. 3:15) so that God's people may avail themselves of the ordinary means of grace in order to grow in grace and manifest the fruit of the spirit. (Col. 1: 5-6, WSC* #89)

The growth of God's people.

God's will for His people is to enable them to more and more die to sin and live unto righteousness. (I Thess. 4:3, WSC* #35)

The magnification of God's glory.

God's will is for all things to glorify Him. So, whether we eat or drink, or whatever we do, it is to be for the glory of God. We are to let our light to shine before men so that they might see our good works and glorify our Father in heaven. (I Cor 10:31; Matt 5:16). Therefore, man's chief end is to "glorify God and to enjoy Him forever." (WSC* #1)

*Westminster Shorter Catechism

Missionaries We Support

	Financial & Prayer	Prayer
Matlack	MTW Prayer Ministry	Aldo Mondin – RUF @ USF
Schmidts	Brazil	New Life Solutions (Walk for Life)
Kawachis	France	Genevan Institute
Etienne	Haiti	

Scriptures quoted are from the ESV unless otherwise noted.

Next Communion: September 4, 2022

Next Benevolence Offering: August 14, 2022