

A Presbyterian Church in America



Grace, Growth, Glory
October 2, 2022 10:45 am

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

Today's Scheduled Activities:

Sunday School: 9:45-10:30am

Adults (Sanctuary) - "He Is Worthy, What About Us" Rev. Steve Jennings

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

Morning Worship Service: 10:45am - "God's Covenant Love" Rev. Brent Bergman

Sunday Evening: 6:00pm — Armor of God – Helmet of Salvation, Ephesians 6:17

Weekly Calendar:

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

Tuesday 9:15am Men's White Horse Stable

Wednesday 7:00pm Prayer Meeting

Friday 10:00am Women's 'T' Room (Exodus 38)

Fellowship and Announcements: check website for additional details

- Supper10 groups are available for August thru November fellowships.
- Women's Fellowship Friday October 21st
- Men's Fellowship Saturday October 29th, Bayou Café at 8:00am.
- Church Picnic October 30th, Anderson Park Shelter #1.

August 2022				
	Beginning			Ending
	Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
General Fund	\$ 26,062.34	\$11,681.60	\$ (8,724.15)	\$ 28,972.92
Deacons Fund	\$ 11,898.95	\$ 283.00	\$ -	\$ 12,181.95
Special Outreach Fund	\$ 652.18	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 652.18
Restoration Fund	\$ 1,409.28	\$ 5,300.00	\$(11,000.00)	\$ (4,290.72)
Total	\$ 40,022.75	\$17,264.60	\$(19,724.15)	\$ 37,516.33

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Order of Worship Theme: Electing Love

Announcements

We receive	
the Call to	Call to Worship *
Worship in	▲
accordance	The service begins with a scriptural "call to worship." It is God Himself who calls His people to
with	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.
Hebrews	
12:28	Psalm 103:1, 17-22
Let us offer to God	Bless the Lord, O my Soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name.
acceptable	The steadfast lave of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on these who
worship, with reverence and	The steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and on His righteousness to children's children,
awe.	
	to those who keep His covenant and remember to do His commandments.
	The Lord has established His throne in the heavens, and His kingdom rules over all.
We offer the	Bless the Lord, O you, his angels, you mighty ones who do His word, obeying the voice of His word!
Prayer of	
Invocation in accordance	Bless the Lord, all His hosts, His ministers who do His will!
with	Bless the Lord, all His works, in all places of His dominion.
D 1 00 0	Bless the Lord, O my soul!
Psalm 22:3 KJV	bless the Lord, O my Sour:
But Thou art	
holy, 0 thou	Prayer of Adoration and Invocation *
that inhabits	This prayer exalts the Name of the Lord and invokes His presence and communion as we come to
the praises of	worship Him.
Israel.	

*Please stand if able.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. Ps. 103:1, 2



We offer the Prayer for the Congregation in accordance with

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

We offer our **Tithes and Offerings**

in accordance with

Malachi 3:10.

Bring the full tithe into the storehouse.

We receive the
Scripture
Reading in
accordance
with

1Timothy 4:13

Devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture

Prayer for the Congregation

Renee Brooks, Genevan Institute

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.

Scripture Reading*

Genesis 25:19-28 Romans 9:1-13

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Beneath the Cross of Jesus



We offer the Prayer for with

Illumination in accordance

> Psalm 119:130

Prayer for Illumination Preaching of God's Word

"God's Covenant Love" Malachi 1:1-5

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

An Introduction (vs 1):

A Foundation (vs 2-5):

We submit to the Preaching of God's Word in accordance with Romans

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

10:17.

Next Week: Malachi 1:6-2:9

Come, for the Feast Is Spread

Come to me. Matt. 11:28



Confession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism

We offer our
Confession of
Faith in
accordance with

Q75: How does the holy supper remind and assure you that you share in Christ's one sacrifice on the cross and in all His benefits?

Hebrews 10:23 A: In this way: Christ has commanded me and all believers to eat this broken bread and to drink this cup in remembrance of Him. With this command come these promises.

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

First, as surely as I see with my eyes the bread of the Lord broken for me, and the cup shared with me, so surely His body was offered and broken for me, and His blood poured out for me on the cross.

Second, as surely as I receive from the hand of him who serves, and taste with my mouth the bread and cup of the Lord, given me as sure signs of Christ's body and blood, so surely He nourishes and refreshes my soul for eternal life with His crucified body and pour-out blood.

Q79: Why then does Christ call the bread His body and the cup His blood, or the new covenant in His blood, and Paul use the words, a participation in Christ's body and blood?

We offer the
Prayer of
Confession in
accordance with

A: Christ had good reason for these words.

He wants to teach us that just as bread and wine nourish the temporal life, so too His crucified body and pour-out blood are the true food and drink of our souls for eternal life.

I John 1:9

But more important, He wants to assure us, by this visible sign and pledge, that we, through the Holy Spirit's work, share in His true body and blood as surely as our mouths receive these holy signs in His remembrance, and that all of His suffering and obedience are as definitely ours as if we personally had suffered and made satisfaction for our sins.

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

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Forgivness

Psalm 103:8-12

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in love. He will not always chide, nor will He keep His anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us.

Communion

In Christ Alone

Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend



Benediction

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

Then Aaron lifted up his hands toward the people and blessed them. Ephesians 3:17-19

[May] Christ dwell in your hearts through faith – that you being rooted and grounded in love, may have the strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length, and height and depth and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fulness of God.

Weekly Prayer Journal

(October 2 - October 9, 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 **Electing Love**: O Lord, my God and my Father in Jesus Christ, I can never sufficiently admire the condescension of thy grace to me. What is man that thou dost thus magnify him, and the son of man that thou thus visitest him? Who am I? that thou hast brought me hitherto; hast brought me into the banqueting-house, and thy banner over me hath been love? I have reason to say, a day in thy courts, an hour at thy table, is better, far better, than a thousand days, than ten thousand hours elsewhere; it is good for me to draw near to God.

Monday: Prayer Needs – Genevan Institute. We thank you that having bore the sin of many, Christ makes intercession for transgressors, Isaiah 53:12 and prays, not only for those who were given to him when he was on earth, but also for all those who will believe in him through their word; that they may all be one. John 17:20-21

Tuesday: We thank you that we have an Advocate with the Father, even Jesus Christ the righteous, 1John 2:1 who is therefore able to save to the uttermost all those who draw near to God as a Father, through him as a Mediator, since He always lives to make intercession for His people. Hebrews 7:25

Wednesday: Be to us a God, and take us to be your people; Hebrews 8:10 and make us offer ourselves freely on the day of your power, Psalm 110:3 though we are no longer worthy to be called your sons. Luke 15:19 For how would you set us, who have been rebellious, among the sons, and give us the pleasant land? But you have said that we shall call you, Our Father, and not turn from following you. Jeremiah 3:19 Shall we not therefore from this time call to you, "Our Father, you are the friend of our youth"? Jeremiah 3:4

Thursday: Lord, work in us that fear of you, which is the beginning of wisdom, Psalm 111:10 which is instruction in wisdom, Proverbs 15:33 and which is a fountain of life, that one may turn away from the snares of death. Proverbs 14:27 Unite our hearts to fear your name, Psalm 86:11 that we may keep your commandments, which is the whole duty of man. Ecclesiastes 12:13

Friday: Give thanks for our church body and pray for our sanctification, the Pastors, the Elders and Deacons, and Renee Brooks.

Saturday: Our hearts have been closed against those who are in need; 1 John 3:17 and we have hidden ourselves from our own flesh. Isaiah 58:7 Indeed, perhaps our eye has looked grudgingly on our poor brother, Deuteronomy 15:9 and we have dishonored the poor. James 2:6 And if in anything we have transgressed and wronged our brother, 1Thessalonians 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

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)

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Scriptures quoted are from the ESV unless otherwise noted.

Next Communion: November 6, 2022

Next Benevolence Offering: October 9, 2022

^{*}Westminster Shorter Catechism