

A Presbyterian Church in America



Grace, Growth, Glory

October 20, 2024 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 Jesus Christ.

Today's Scheduled Activities:

Sunday School: 9:45-10:30am

Adults (Fellowship Hall)- Holiness of God – Justin Miller Children (Library) – "God Showing Grace in the OT"

Morning Worship Service: 10:45am - "Jesus Wept", John 11:28-37

Rev. Brent Bergman

Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00pm - Christ Among the Churches

Weekly Calendar:

Monday 2:15pm Women's Prayer - contact Janis Stevenson Tuesday 9:15am Men's White Horse Stable - (2 Peter 2)

Wednesday 7:00pm Evening Prayer Meeting – Theme: "Meditations on Prayer"

Friday 10:00am Women's 'T' Room – (Zechariah 12)

Fellowship and Announcements: check website for additional details

- Women's Fellowship October lesson available. Meeting Oct 22nd. At Church.
- Men's Fellowship October 26th at 8:00am at Cosmic Donuts in Palm Harbor.
- Annual Picnic October 27th, Anderson Park at Shelter 3.
- Fall Conference November 8th -10th. Details available later in October.

September 2024				
	Beginning			Ending
	Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
General Fund	\$140,172.66	\$ 36,937.53	\$(10,537.78)	\$166,572.41
Deacons Fund	\$ 8,454.58	\$ 734.00	\$ -	\$ 9,188.58
Special Outreach Fund	\$ 4,883.91	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,883.91
Restoration Fund	\$ 8,505.48	\$ 600.00	\$ -	\$ 9,105.48
Hurricane Fund	\$ 70,182.11	\$ 1,240.07	\$ (3,054.90)	\$ 68,367.28
Total	\$232,198.74	\$ 39,511.60	\$(13,592.68)	\$258,117.66

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Order of Worship Theme: Comfort in Sorrow

Announcements

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

Call to Worship *

Hebrews

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.

Let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence

and awe.

Psalm 148:1-5,11-14

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the heights! Praise Him, all His angels, praise Him, all His hosts! Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him, all you shining stars! Praise Him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the Lord! For He commanded and they were created...

We offer the **Prayer of Invocation** in

in accordance with

Psalm 22:3 KJV

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

Israel.

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and maidens together, old men and children! Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted, His majesty is above earth and heaven. He has raised up a horn for His people, praise for all His saints, for the people of Israel who are next to Him.

All: Praise the Lord!

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.

*Please stand if able.

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Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD from the heavens, praise him in the heights above. Ps. 148:1



Refrain: Let them praises give to Jehovah, for His name alone is high, And His glory is exalted, and His glory is exalted, And His glory is exalted far above the earth and sky.

Confession of Faith Apostles' Creed Heidelberg Catechism Q52

We offer our
Confession of
Faith in
accordance with

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

Hebrews 10:23

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful I believe in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary;
Suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty;

From there He shall come to judge the living and dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic* church; The communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

* Universal

Q52: Leader: How does Christ's return "to judge the living and the dead" comfort you?

We offer the Prayer of Confession in accordance with

I 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 All: In all distress and persecution, with uplifted head, I confidently await the very judge who had already offered Himself to the judgement of God in my place and removed the whole curse from me. Christ will cast all His enemies and mine into everlasting condemnation, but will take me and all His chosen ones to Himself into the joy and glory of heaven.

Prayer of Confession Assurance of Forgiveness Ephesians 5:25b-27

... Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her, that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that He might present the church to Himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy without blemish.

God, Be Merciful to Me

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love. Ps. 51:1



- Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true; cast me not away from thee, let thy Spirit dwell in me; thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.
- Sinners then shall learn from me and return, O God, to thee; Savior, all my guilt remove, and my tongue shall sing thy love; touch my silent lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall praise accord.

Prayer for the Congregation New Life Solutions - Walk for Life

We offer the
Prayer for the
Congregation
in accordance
with I 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.

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 receive the Scripture Reading in accordance with I Timothy 4:13 Devote yourself to the public reading of

Scripture

Scripture Reading * Ruth 1, 4:13-15 (p.222)

*Please stand if able.

What Wondrous Love Is This



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

"Jesus Wept" John 11:28-37 (p. 897) Rev. Brent Bergman

Next Week: Reformation Sunday

A friend of ... "sinners." Matt. 11:19



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

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

Benediction

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

Weekly Prayer Guide

(October 20 - October 26, 2024)

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 <u>faithkeeper77@juno.com</u>.

Sunday: Prayer Theme—**Comfort in Sorrow:** The Lord of peace himself give us peace, all peace, at all times in every way: **2 Thessalonians 3:16** That peace which Jesus Christ has left with us, which he gives to us; such a peace as the world can neither give nor take away; such a peace as that our hearts may not be troubled or afraid. **John 14:27**

Monday: Prayer Needs – **New Life Solutions – Walk for Life:** Let the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus; **Philippians 4:7** and let that peace rule in our hearts, to which we have been called. **Colossians 3:15**

Tuesday: Being justified by faith, let us have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, and through him let us have access into that grace in which believers stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. **Romans 5:1-2**

Wednesday: In Christ Jesus let us, who once were far off, be brought near by the blood of Christ; for he himself is our peace, who has broken down the dividing wall of hostility between us, that he might reconcile us to God through his cross, thereby killing the hostility, and so making peace. Through him, therefore, let us, who have made ourselves strangers and aliens, become fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God. **Ephesians 2:13-19**

Thursday: Let us hear of your steadfast love and taste that you are good, **1 Peter 2:3** for in you do we trust. **Psalm 143:8**

Friday: Give thanks for our church body and pray for our sanctification, the Pastors, the Elders and Deacons, and **Ed and Lois Wilberham**. Let the effect of righteousness in our souls be peace, and the result of righteousness, quietness and trust forever. **Isaiah 32:17**

Saturday: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may abound in hope. **Romans 15:13**

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)

Missionaries We Support

Financial & Prayer

Prayer

MTW Prayer Ministry Matlack

Aldo Mondin - RUF @ USF

Kawachis France

Haiti

Etienne

New Life Solutions (Walk for Life)

Genevan Institute

Christ the King Chapel

Scriptures quoted are from the ESV unless otherwise noted.

Next Communion: November 3, 2024

Next Benevolence Offering: November 10, 2024

^{*}Westminster Shorter Catechism