

A Presbyterian Church in America



Grace, Growth, Glory

November 24, 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 – "The Redeemed Give Thanks", - Psalm 107 - Mr. Mike Thornhill

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

Weekly Calendar:

Monday2:15pmWomen's Prayer - contact Janis StevensonTuesday9:15amMen's White Horse Stable - (2 Peter 3)Wednesday7:00pmEvening Prayer Meeting - Theme: "Meditations on Prayer"Friday10:00amWomen's 'T' Room - (Zechariah 14)Followshipand Approxponts: check website for additional datails

Fellowship and Announcements: check website for additional details

- Decorating Church for Christmas on Monday November 25th at 9:00am.
- Men's Fellowship November 30th at 8:00am at Cosmic Donuts in Palm Harbor.
- Caroling under the Stars December 15, 2024 at 6:00pm
- Christmas Dinner and Gift exchange December 22, 2024 at 6:00pm. details TBD.
- Christmas Eve Service Dec 24th at 6:00pm.

October 2024				
	Beginning Balance	Income	Expenses	Ending Balance
General Fund	\$166,572.41	\$ 18,630.61	\$(19,327.76)	\$165,875.26
Deacons Fund	\$ 9,188.58	\$ 550.00	\$ (728.00)	\$ 9,010.58
Special Outreach Fund	\$ 4,883.91	\$-	\$ -	\$ 4,883.91
Restoration Fund	\$ 9,105.48	\$-	\$ -	\$ 9,105.48
Hurricane Fund	\$ 68,367.28	\$ 1,221.33	\$ -	\$ 69,588.61
Total	\$258,117.66	\$ 20,401.94	\$(20,055.76)	\$258,463.84

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Order of Worship Theme: Give Thanks

Announcements

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 100

Leader: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. **All: Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs.**

Leader: Know that the Lord is God.

All: It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

Leader: Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; **All: Give thanks to Him and praise His name.**

Leader: For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; **All: His faithfulness continues through all generations.**

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.

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

> Hebrews 12:28

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

We offer the Prayer of Invocation in accordance with

> Psalm 22:3 KJV

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

Now Thank We All Our God

Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name. 1 Chron. 29:13



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Scripture Reading * Luke 17:11-19 (p.876)

Prayer of Confession

All: Father, You are a good and gracious God. Your love and faithfulness are forever. You command us to rejoice in You and to serve You with gladness; to live before You with thankful hearts. Yet, we are often ungrateful grumblers and complainers. Not a day goes by that does not prove us guilty in your sight. We are without hope apart from your mercy in Jesus Christ. Therefore, we appeal to Your throne of endless grace. Grant us to hear your voice this morning, assuring us that when we confess and turn from our sin, You are faithful and just to forgive us. Make us a joyful, thankful people as we cling to the gospel of our dear Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness 1 John 4:9-10

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent His only Son into the world, so that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Leader: Hear and believe and rejoice in this glorious news! Through repentance and faith in Jesus Christ, all your sins are forgiven, fully and forever!

All: Thanks be to God!

*Please stand if able.

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

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

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

Words and Music by Stuart Townend



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 Reception of New Members Frieda Bays Silas Santos Sean and Tricia Johnson

Confession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism Q2, Q116-Q117

Q2: Leader: How many things must you know to live and die in the joy of this comfort?

All: Three: first, how great my sin and misery are, second, how I am delivered from all my sins and misery, third, how I am to thank God for such deliverance.

Q116: Leader: Why do Christians need to pray?

All: Because prayer is the most important part of the thankfulness God requires of us. And also because God will give His grace and Holy Spirit only to those who continually and with heartfelt longing ask God for these gifts and thank Him for them.

Q117: Leader: How does God want us to pray so that He will listen to us? All: First, we must pray from the heart to no other than the one true God, who has revealed Himself to us in His Word, asking for everything He has commanded us to ask of Him. Second, we must fully recognize our need and misery, so that we humble ourselves in God's majestic presence. Third, we must rest on this unshakable foundation: even though we do not deserve it, God will surely listen to our prayer because of Christ our Lord, as He has promised us in His Word.

Prayer for the Congregation Etienne - Haiti

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 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.

We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator

Our Redeemer-the LORD Almighty is his name-is the Holy One of Israel. Is. 47:4



Julia Cady Cory, 1902 Mod. KREMSER 12.11.12.11. Adrianus Valerius's Nederlandtsch Gedenckclank, 1626 Arr. by Edward Kremser, 1877 We offer the **Prayer for Illumination** in accordance with Psalm 119:130 The unfolding of Your words gives light; it

understanding to the simple.

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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. 3)

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Prayer for Illumination Preaching of God's Word

"The Redeemed Give Thanks" Psalm 107 (p. 506) Mr. Mike Thornhill

Next Week: James

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. Ps. 90:1



- The busy tribes of flesh and blood, with all their lives and cares, are carried downward by your flood, and lost in foll'wing years.
- Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all its sons away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.
- Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come: O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

From Psalm 90 Isaac Watts, 1719 Alt. 1990, mod. the Benediction in accordance with Leviticus 9:22-23 Then Aaron lifted his hands toward the people and

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Benediction Colossians 3:16-17

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

Weekly Prayer Guide

(November 24 - November 30, 2024)

them. 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—**Give Thanks:** You are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, **Psalm 145:8** and have told us that you do not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men; but, though you cause grief, you will have compassion according to the abundance of your steadfast love. **Lamentations 3:32-33**

Monday: Prayer Needs – **Etienne - Haiti:** Your goodness is your glory, **Exodus 33:19** and it is for that which all your works give thanks to you and all your saints bless you. **Psalm 145:10** You take pleasure in those who fear you, in those who hope in your steadfast love. **Psalm 147:11**

Tuesday: We thank you that in Jesus Christ you have made an everlasting covenant with us, your steadfast, sure love for David; Isaiah 55:3 and that though the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, yet this, your covenant of peace, shall never be removed. Isaiah 54:10

Wednesday: We ought always to give thanks to you, O God, because you have chosen some to salvation through sanctification by the Spirit: 2 Thessalonians 2:13 That there is a remnant, chosen by grace, Romans 11:5 whom God has chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world, that they should be holy and blameless before you in love, having predestined them for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to yourself, according to the purpose of your will, to the praise of your glorious grace. Ephesians 1:4-6

Thursday: That though you punish our transgression with the rod and our iniquity with stripes, yet you will not remove your steadfast love or be false to your faithfulness; you will not violate your covenant or alter the word that has gone forth from your lips. **Psalm 89:32-34**

Friday: Give thanks for our church body and pray for our sanctification, the Pastors, the Elders and Deacons, and **Nancy Brown.** *Yours they were, and you gave them to Christ*; **John 17:6** *and this is your will: that you should lose nothing of all that you have given him, but raise it up on the last day.* **John 6:39**

Saturday: That you have given to us precious and very great promises, that through them we might become partakers of the divine nature; **2 Peter 1:4** and that the covenant Jesus Christ mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises. **Hebrews 8:6**

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

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Scriptures quoted are from the ESV unless otherwise noted. Next Communion: December 1, 2024 Next Benevolence Offering: December 8, 2024