

A Presbyterian Church in America



Grace, Growth, Glory

May 18, 2025 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 - "Road Trip to the Celestial City"

Youth Sunday School (Library)

Morning Worship Service: 10:45am - "The Holy Spirit's Work" Part 2

Rev. Brent Bergman

**Sunday Evening Worship:** 6:00pm – Installation of Jai Mahtani as Assistant Pastor Weekly Colondon.

Weekly Calendar:

Monday 2:15pm Women's Prayer - contact Janis Stevenson Tuesday 9:15am Men's White Horse Stable (Hebrews 6)

Wednesday 7:00pm Prayer Meeting – "Meditations on the Lord's Prayer"

Friday 10:00am Women's 'T' Room (Ephesians 5)

#### Fellowship and Announcements: check website for additional details

- Women's Monthly Fellowship Tuesday, May 20th
- Men's Monthly Fellowship Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup>
- Youth Pilgrim's Progress beginning June 1st, at 6:00 p.m.
- Baseball Game Tuesday, June 17th, at 6:15 p.m.

March 2025				
	Beginning			Ending
	Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
General Fund	\$191,956.81	\$ 22,987.08	\$(18,707.13)	\$196,236.76
Deacons Fund	\$ 8,306.45	\$ 641.68	\$ -	\$ 8,948.13
Special Outreach Fund	\$ 672.32	\$ -	\$ (649.66)	\$ 22.66
Restoration Fund	\$ 9,755.48	\$ 600.00	\$ -	\$ 10,355.48
Self-Insurance Fund	\$ 74,425.58	\$ 1,200.74	\$ -	\$ 75,626.32
Total	\$285,116.64	\$ 25,429.50	\$(19,356.79)	\$291,189.35

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# Order of Worship Theme: Illumination

#### **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 90:1-2

Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting You are God.

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.

#### **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.

#### Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Now to the King exernal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever Amen. 1 Tim. 1:17



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

## Scripture Reading\*

1 Corinthians 2 (p. 952-953)

#### **Prayer of Confession**

## **Assurance of Forgiveness**

2 Timothy 1:9-10

[God] saved us and called us to a holy calling,
not because of our works
but because of His own purpose and grace,
which He gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began,
and which now has been manifested
through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus,
Who abolished death
and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

#### I Know Whom I Have Believed

I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him for that day. 2 Tim. 1:12



#### 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 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

## **Prayer for the Congregation**

Christ the King Chapel

#### 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.

(Offertory Hymn – "Help Us See Christ")

## Confession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism

Q. 53: What do you believe concerning the Holy Spirit?

ALL: First, that the Spirit, with the Father and the Son, is eternal God.

Second, that He is given also to me, so that, through true faith, He makes me share in Christ and all His benefits, comforts me, and will remain with me forever.

#### Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 31: With whom was the covenant of grace made?

ALL: The covenant of grace was made with Christ as the second Adam, and in Him with all the elect as His seed.

Q. 32: How is the grace of God manifested in the second covenant?

ALL: The grace of God is manifested in the second covenant, in that He freely provides and offers to sinners a Mediator, and life and salvation by Him; and requiring faith as the condition to interest them in Him, promising and giving His Holy Spirit to all His elect, to work in them that faith, with all other saving graces; and to enable them unto all holy obedience, as the evidence of the truth of their faith and thankfulness to God, and as the way which He has appointed them to salvation.

## Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Gal. 5:25



#### Prayer for Illumination in accordance with

Psalm 18:28

For it is You Who light my lamp; the LORD my God lightens my

darkness.

#### We offer the **Prayer for Illumination**

## Preaching of God's Word

"The Holy Spirit's Work" (Part 2) John 16:4-15 (p. 902) Rev. Brent Bergman

#### The Holy Spirit Convicts:

1.)

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.

2.)

3.)

The Holy Spirit Guides:

The Holy Spirit Glorifies:

Next Week: John 16:16-24

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## Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me

I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. Ezek. 36:27



We receive the **Benediction** in accordance with Leviticus

9:22-23

Then Aaron
lifted his
hands
toward the

people and blessed them.

## Benediction 2 Peter 3:18

Grow in the grace and knowledge of our
Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

To Him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity.

Amen.

## **Weekly Prayer Guide**

(May 18 - May 24, 2025)

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—**Illumination** – The Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. **1 Corinthians 2:10-12** 

**Monday:** Prayer Needs – **Christ the King Chapel:** For God, Who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' made His light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. **2 Corinthians 4:6** 

**Tuesday:** When He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all truth. For He will not speak on His own, but He will speak what He hears, and He will declare to you what is to come. **John 16:13** 

**Wednesday:** Open our eyes, that we may behold wondrous things out of Your law and gospel. **Psalm 119:18** 

**Thursday:** These things I [Jesus] have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, Whom the Father will send in My Name, He will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. **John 14:26** 

**Friday:** Give thanks for our church body and pray for our sanctification, the Pastors, the Elders and Deacons, and **Richard and Renee Woods**. Give us a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Christ, that, having the eyes of our heart enlightened, we may know what is the hope to which He has called us and what are the riches of His glorious inheritance in the saints, and may experience what is the immeasurable greatness of His power toward those who believe, according to the working of His great might.

**Saturday:** Give us to have certainty concerning the things we have been taught; **Luke 1:4** and let our knowledge grow up to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, which is Christ. **Colossians 2:2** 

## 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)

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Matlack MTW Prayer Ministry

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Prayer

Aldo Mondin – RUF @ USF

New Life Solutions (Walk for Life)

Genevan Institute

Christ the King Chapel

Scriptures quoted are from the ESV unless otherwise noted.

**Next Communion:** June 1, 2025

Next Benevolence Offering: June 8, 2025

<sup>\*</sup>Westminster Shorter Catechism