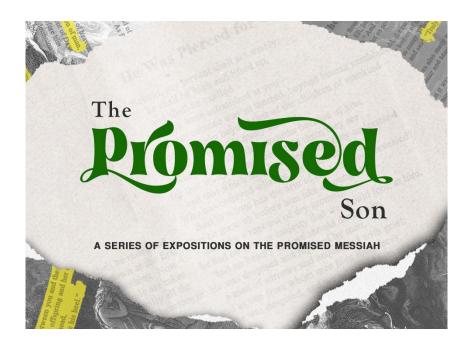
GRACE COVENANT CHURCH

Lord's Day

SERVICE



WORSHIP GUIDE

Grace Covenant Church is a covenanted community of Christians who are compelled by God's Word and commissioned to the nations.



Announcements Thomas Gamble

Call to Worship Hebrews 1:1-3 Chelsea Gamble

¹ Long ago God spoke to our ancestors by the prophets at different times and in different ways. ² In these last days, he has spoken to us by his Son. God has appointed him heir of all things and made the universe through him. ³ The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact expression of his nature, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.

Christ the True and Better Congregation

O Holy Night Congregation

Pastoral Prayer John Drummond

Sing We the Song of Emmanuel Congregation

Joy to the World Congregation

Prayer of Praise Al Johnson

Reading of the Preaching Passage Thomas Gamble

Prayer of Illumination Thomas Gamble

Sermon Thomas Gamble

Matthew 27:50-56

"Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior of the World"

Prayer of Application Thomas Gamble

Prayer of Private Confession Congregation

Prayer of Public Confession John Drummond

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Congregation

Lord's Supper Church

Benediction 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 Mallory Quinn

¹⁶ May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us eternal encouragement and good hope by grace, ¹⁷ encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good work and word.

-And with that, Grace Covenant Church, you are sent!-

Weekly Prayer:

Pray for our church-This week we are praying for one another in how we speak, both to one another and with others. In light of Eph. 4:29-31. Pray we would not use language that is foul, bitter, angry, wrathful, shouting, or slanderous. Instead, pray we would, as our church covenant says (7), use our language to build one another up and glorify God.

Pray for a church-This week we are praying for Forest Park Church, formerly Forest Park United Methodist Church. Pray for their transition to autonomy after leaving the UMC. Pray the Lord would bless their faithfulness to stand on the Lord's Word and to trust Him over the wisdom of this world. Pray the Lord would bless their preaching, discipleship, and evangelism in this new season and that He would receive glory through this body.

Pray for the Church-This week we are praying for the church around the world as more and more professing Christians cave to western culture's progressive sexual ethic. Pray that those forsaking Scripture—including the Pope—would repent, and that Christians would be able to endure the increasing hardships that will come from the world due to their biblical stance. Pray that God would be glorified as we seek to obey Him rather than the will of man.

Looking Ahead:

- Next week's sermon will come from 1 Corinthians 4:1-5.
- We will have a prospective new members class starting January 7th, 2024 at 3:30 PM. See Thomas to get a booklet if you need one.
- Jeremy will be leading a "Through the Bible" plan with regular videos to help trace the storyline of Scripture seven days a week. This plan is called *Biblical Storyline* by the Bible Project. The videos help to explain the overall meaning of books of the Bible and how they connect to the rest of Scripture.
- John will be leading a "Through the Bible" plan with readings from the New and Old Testaments each day. The plan is called *OWNit364 Whole Bible Plan* and will help you read through Scripture in a year while being in both Testaments at all times.
- Thomas will be leading a New Testament plan reading a Gospel each quarter along with letters and books corresponding to that Gospel book. Each quarter starts a new plan with readings five days a week and key verse reflection/memorization on the weekends. The plan is called *Daily New Testament- Quarter 1* and is offered on the Bible App.

Giving: If you would like to partner with us, you can do so at the giving stations in the worship center, or online at gccgo.org.

Sermon Notes December 24th, 2023 Thomas Gamble "Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior of the World" Matthew 27:50-56

Sermon in a Sentence: Jesus' death on the Cross is the definitive moment in history where He proved that all of Scripture was pointing to Him and all the world could trust in Him for Salvation.

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