



GRACE

Presbyterian Church

October 27, 2024

43rd Lord's Day of 2024

Sunday Morning Divine Service – 9:30am

Sunday Evening Service – 5:00pm

Morning Divine Service

Preparation for Worship

The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, "The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation. (Exodus 34:6-7)

Please turn off sounds on all phones and non-medical devices and take a few moments to prepare your hearts and minds to worship the Triune God.

— GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM —

Salutation – *from* Psalm 124:8

* Call to Worship – Psalm 146:1-2

Minister: This is the day that the LORD has made;

People: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Let us worship the Triune God!

* Hymn of Approach – #100B All People That on Earth Do Dwell

* Prayer of Adoration

— GOD RENEWS US IN CHRIST —

Call to Repentance

Confession of Sin: ***Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved You with all of our heart, soul, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, You are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy; there is always forgiveness with You! Restore to us the joy of Your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let Your word abide with us until it has wrought in us Your holy will. Amen.***

(Silent Confession)

* Assurance of Pardon – Romans 8:1-4

Minister: Therefore, as Christ's minister and by His authority, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins; in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

* Hymn of Thanksgiving – #452 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

The Meaning of Baptism

* Affirmation of Faith – Apostles' Creed

Trinity Psalter Hymnal p 851

The Administration of the Sacrament of Baptism

Landyn James Slagle and Luna Grace Slagle

* Grace of God's Law – Romans 12:9-21

* Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings – Leviticus 27:30

* Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Intercession & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* Old Testament Reading – Deuteronomy 32:4

Elder: *The grass withers and the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.*
(Isaiah 40:8)

People: Amen

* Sermon Text – Romans 3:21-26

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon – The Righteousness of God

Rev. Judson Marvel

— GOD FEEDS US AT HIS BANQUET TABLE —

* Hymn of Preparation - #282 I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

The Administration of the Table

Sursum Corda

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks.

The Lord's Supper

— GOD BLESSES & SENDS US OUT —

* Hymn of Response – #244 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

* Benediction – Numbers 6:24-26

* Congregational Threefold Amen

Notes:

**Please join us
later this afternoon at 4pm
for a joint service
with our sister PCA congregation
at the United Korean PCA church
at 2230 E Choctaw Drive.**

This service will take the place of our usual 5pm evening service.

Who may come to the Lord's Table?

- 1) Have you been baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit?
- 2) Have you publicly professed your faith in Jesus Christ, and do you embrace the Christian faith as summarized in the Apostles' Creed?
- 3) Are you presently a member in good standing of a Bible-believing, gospel-preaching church?

If you can affirm these questions sincerely, the elders welcome you to the Lord's Table! But if you have any hesitation at all, then we would encourage you to refrain from taking the Lord's Supper today. Reflect on the preached Word, Pray for God draw you closer to the Lord Jesus Christ, and come talk to the pastor or an elder.

How do I learn more about joining the church?

The Pastor offers membership classes periodically. This class introduces interested visitors to the beliefs of our church and life together in this church family. Please contact Pastor Jud if you are interested in attending a class.

The Nursery & Training Room

We do not have a staffed nursery or separate children's ministry. Instead, we welcome your children to be in worship with us! Their presence is a joy to us. But we know that not all children can sit quietly through service, so we do have both a nursery and a training room. Our nursery is located in the last room on the left at the end of hallway. This separate space has the audio and video being streamed in for you while you change, nurse, or comfort your baby or toddler up to around 3 years old. Additionally, we have a training room located in the back of the auditorium. This space was designed as a refuge in which to train your young children to both sit quietly and participate as appropriate throughout the service.

Missions of the Month: CareNet & Veritas

CareNet Pregnancy Center of Cochise County in Sierra Vista is committed to helping women, men, children, and families make good decisions and thrive, even in the face of unexpected pregnancies and financial difficulties. They offer pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, education, referrals, support groups, and men's services. Here are some specific prayer requests:

- *Please pray for the upcoming **Loving Them Both** annual fundraising banquet on Friday, November 8th. Registration is open until October 28th or until all seats are filled. Please go to <https://carenetsv.com/get-involved/events> to learn more and to reserve seats.*
- Pray for the *It Goes Too Far* initiative to reach people all over the state of AZ with information about the effects of the Arizona Abortion Access Act if it passes in November elections. (For more information go to www.itgoestoofar.com)
- Additional funding for their highly-anticipated mobile unit which is about 50% funded. As soon as it is fully funded they can take mobile services to Douglas and other rural areas of Cochise County.
- Pray for the staff and volunteers who work with clients, that they may minister to them and lead them to life-affirming decisions about their pregnancies.
- Pray for mothers who come to CareNet for help and guidance, that they may find hope and confidence to carry their babies to birth. (For more information on joining their prayer team, go to www.prayforbabies.com/carenetsv)

CareNet is currently in need of diapers sizes 4 and larger, pull-ups, and wipes. Donations may be taken to CareNet at 1197 E Fry Blvd.

Veritas Christian Community School in Sierra Vista has provided a classical Christian education to students grades K-12 since opening in 2000. Here are some specific prayer requests:

- Pray for continued growth in Christ of the students
- Pray for wisdom for the school board as they prepare for the upcoming ACCS accreditation.
- And pray that Christ would be the center of the education at every level within the school and God would be glorified through the students, staff, and families.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Today

9:30am – Morning Service
11:15am – Sunday School
4:00pm – Joint Evening Service @
United Korean PCA

Friday, 11/1

Office Closed
5:30pm – Fellowship Meals followed by
6:30pm – Family Bible Study

Wednesday, 10/30

6:30pm – Weekly Prayer Meeting

Sunday, 11/3

9:30am – Morning Service
11:15am – 1st Sunday Fellowship Meal
4:00pm – Evening Service

Looking Ahead through November

Thursday, 11/7 – Worship Music Rehearsal @ 6:30pm
Friday, 11/8 – CareNet's *Loving Them Both* dinner
Wednesday, 11/13 – Missions Team @ 4:30pm, YA Book Discussion @ 7:30pm
Thursday, 11/14 – Ephesians Bible Study @ 10:30am
Friday, 11/15 – Friday Family Bible Study and Potluck meals starting @ 5:30pm
Monday, 11/18 through Sunday, 12/1 – Pastor Marvel out of office on Study Leave
Thursday, 11/21 – Worship Music Rehearsal @ 6:30pm
Friday, 11/22 – Youth Night @ 7:30pm
Sunday, 11/24 – Pastor Matt Esswein of RUF giving an update during Sunday School
Wednesday, 11/28 – NO Prayer Meeting
Thursday & Friday, 11/28-11/29 – Office Closed – Happy Thanksgiving!
Sunday, 12/1 – Christmas Choir first rehearsal @ 8:30am, 1st Sunday Fellowship Meal

Music for Next Lord's Day, 11/3/2024

Morning

Approach: 239 – Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven
Thanksgiving: 277 – Before the Throne of God Above
Preparation: 118B (v 5-8) – The Glorious Gates of Righteousness
Response: 236 – To God Be the Glory

Evening Service of Scripture and Songs

Hymn #1: 250 – I Sing the Almighty Power of God
Hymn #2: 229 – Holy God We Praise Your Name
Hymn #3: 227 – How Great Thou Art
Hymn #4: 245 – Great is Thy Faithfulness

Attendance & Giving Updates

<i>As of 10/27/2024</i>	10/20/2024:	2024 Totals:	2024 Budget Deficit <i>As of 9/30/2024</i>
General Offering	\$4,657.29	\$243,779.36	(\$1488.90)
Deacons' Benevolence	\$200.00	\$3,630.47	
Attendance 10/20: AM Worship – 139 Congregational Meeting – 110 Sunday School – 55 PM Worship – 25			

Announcements

Shared Reformation Evening Service Tonight

We will have a joint evening service at United Korean PCA church (2230 E Choctaw Drive) on Sunday, October 27th at 4pm . Please plan to attend.

Friday Family Bible Study and Potluck dinner

Family bible studies will meet on Friday, November 1st with potluck meals start at 5:30pm and bible studies begin at 6:30pm. There are three host families around Sierra Vista and one in Hereford. Please feel free to contact hosts with any questions you may have. (i.e. Do they have pets? Are there steps/stairs to get into the home? Accommodations for food allergies? Etc.) We will be going over 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17. *Please note that the group which usually meets at the Childress home will be meeting at the church this week.*

Doug & Tami Kremer

Bible study lead by TE Ken Roth
3712 Elder Court
Tami – tamrakremer@gmail.com

Kevin & Karena Christman

Bible study led by TE Jud Marvel
8950 Black Bear Oak, Hereford
Karena – KandK4Christ@aol.com

Max & Mindy Ellis

Bible study led by RE Max Ellis
3833 Loma Ventosa
Mindy – mindyellis@yahoo.com

John & Susi Childress

Bible Study led by RE Larry Walker
Meeting at the church
Susi – susannehelps@googlemail.com

Office closure

The office will be closed on Friday, November 1st. If you need office assistance with anything, please contact Susi with your request by close of business on Tuesday, October 29th.

First Sunday Fellowship Meal

Our next First Sunday Fellowship Meal will be on November 3rd after the morning service. We ask each family to consider bringing a main dish. Additionally if your last name begins with A through J, we ask that you also bring a dessert; if K through Z, we ask you to also bring a side dish or salad of your choice. Please contact Deacon Ryan Ellison or Deacon Paul Northcutt if you have any questions.

Pastor Jud Study Leave

Pastor Jud will be on Study Leave from Monday, November 18th through Sunday, December 1st. Your Elders and Deacons will be available as usual via email, text, and phone calls. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any needs!

Supporting Our Deacons

Our Deacons (James Bukle, Ryan Ellison, Phillip McCluskey, and Paul Northcutt) do many things to support the congregation: maintain the grounds and building, maintain the audio-visual equipment, schedule volunteers to work the sound booth, keep the website up-to-date, and set up and breakdown before and after an event, just to name a few. In addition to all of these tasks, they also look after the physical needs of the people in our congregation. This might look like helping and scheduling others to help with a move, finding a ride to church for someone without a car, and providing financial assistance for a member of the congregation in an emergency. We can support them in a number of ways. First, speak to them about ways you can help them with any of their tasks. Contribute to the Deacon's Benevolence fund. (Be sure to write *Deacon's Benevolence Fund* on the check or envelope with cash, or add this to the note for online giving.) Most importantly, please continue to lift them (and their families) in prayer!

Christmas Choirs

Those interested in singing with the choir at the Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols service on December 24th:

This year's Adult Christmas Choir (Middle School and older) will begin rehearsing on Sunday, December 1st at 8:30am. We will meet at this time on the first three Sundays of December (1st, 8th, and 15th). We will meet on December 22nd at 11:15am for a final rehearsal.

Children's Christmas Choir will begin rehearsing on Sunday, December 8th immediately following the morning service. Please have all interested children gather around the piano. We will rehearse at this time on the 8th, 15th, and 22nd of December.

Music and rehearsal recordings will be available on Sunday, November 24th.

Office Email Address

There have been several instances recently of folks sending an email to the office and not getting a timely response due to using our old email address. Please take a moment to check your email contacts and *delete* the address that ends in .church! If you haven't done so, please add the church contact email address office@gpcsv.org.

Items Wanting to Be Reunited with Their Owner

Our Lost & Found basket is located on the bottom shelf of the smaller bookcase at the end of the hall right by the door to the playground. It is FULL!! Please take a moment to double check that none of your family's clothing, books, dishes, toys, or any other personal property is in the basket waiting to be reunited with you.



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WELCOME

Welcome to Grace Presbyterian Church! We are honored that you chose to worship with us today. We would like to get to know you better, so please fill out the Connection Card (found in the pockets on the back of each pew) and place in the box on the wall in the foyer.

Grace Presbyterian Church is a member congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). The PCA was founded in 1973 in order to uphold the truth of God's Word. Our denominational motto is "Faithful to the Scriptures, True to the Reformed faith, Obedient to the Great Commission of Jesus Christ." This is the driving heartbeat of our congregation.

We call our worship services "Divine Service" because we believe that our Triune God meets with us and satisfies our deepest needs when we come to give him the reverent worship which he is due. Whether this is your first time visiting or if you have been here many times before, we pray that the Lord would minister to you richly in Word, in Prayer, and in Sacrament, and that the Lord Jesus Christ would be increasingly exalted in your heart as we worship him together this Lord's Day.

Pastors

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Max Ellis
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Paul Northcutt, *Treasurer*
Ryan Ellison
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Women's Ministry Team

Contact: Jodi Marvel

Communion and Fellowship Snack Prep

Contact: Bonnie Northcutt

Children's Sunday School Superintendent

Contact: RE Walker