



GRACE

Presbyterian Church

November 17, 2024

46th Lord's Day of 2024

Sunday Morning Divine Service – 9:30am

Sunday Evening Service – 5:00pm

Morning Divine Service

Preparation for Worship

Thus says the Lord: "Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches, but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares the Lord."

(Jeremiah 9:23-24)

Please 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 – #219 O Worship the King

* Prayer of Adoration

* Congregation Stands

— GOD RENEWS US IN CHRIST —

Call to Repentance

Confession of Sin:

We, poor sinners, acknowledge before You, our God and Creator, that we have terribly and in many ways sinned against You, not only outwardly, but much more with inward blindness, unbelief, doubts, despondency, impatience, pride, covetousness, envy, hatred, malice, and other sinful affections, as You, our Lord and God, know well, and we cannot deeply enough deplore. But we repent of these things, and are sorry for them, and heartily ask You for mercy, for the sake of Your beloved Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

* Assurance of Pardon – 1 John 2:1-2

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 – #278 Nothing but the Blood

* Affirmation of Faith – Nicene Creed

Trinity Psalter Hymnal p 852

* Grace of God's Law – Matthew 5:21-26

* 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 – Psalm 110:6

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

People: Amen

* Sermon Text – Matthew 24:1-28

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon – What Are the Signs?

Rev. Judson Marvel

— GOD FEEDS US AT HIS BANQUET TABLE —

* Hymn of Preparation - #200 Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

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 – #387 Day of Judgment! Day of Wonders!
- * Benediction – Numbers 6:24-26
- * Congregational Threefold Amen

Notes:

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.

Missionary of the Month: Matt and Sarah Esswein Reformed University Fellowship (RUF)

Matthew Esswein has been the campus minister with Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) at the University of Arizona (U of A) in Tucson since the fall semester of 2022. The college campus is an important mission field, and RUF ministers engage in various activities to meet, minister to, and disciple young people in conjunction with the local church. In addition to Sarah working beside him, he also has two interns: Page Jackson who is in her 3rd year as an intern, and Russ Witt who is new this year to the RUF team at UofA.

Here is a glimpse at the things Matt and his team are doing this semester:

Weekly Events

Dinner & Discussion:

Every Tuesday @ 7-8pm
Provided dinner at 6:45pm

Small Groups:

Girls Mondays 8-9:30pm
Guys Thursdays 7-8:30pm
Co-Ed Thursdays Noon – 1pm
Book Study Wednesdays 2-3pm
Paige Brown Video Wed 3:30-5pm

Fall Monthly Events

September:

9/13 Brewer Bash 5pm
9/28 Hike and Plunge 8am

October:

10/11-13 Fall Conference
10/18 Movie Night 7pm

November:

11/10 Backyard Bonfire 7pm
11/21 Friendsgiving

December:

12/7 Christmas Party 11:30am

Pray for God to continue to bless these labors and especially for Matt and Sarah, Paige, and Russ to reach and make new connections with students, and for opportunities to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with them. Please continue to pray for the Esswein family: Matthew, his wife, Sarah, and their daughters, Nora, Juniper, and Evangeline.

Matt will be visiting us on November 24th. Please mark your calendars for the Sunday School hour that day to hear Matt talk about the work he and his team are doing.

If you have additional ideas for supporting Matt and his RUF mission (or *any* of our missions), you may contact our Missions team here at Grace which is headed up by Max Ellis and Phillip McCluskey.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Today

9:30am – Morning Service
 11:15 – Sunday School
 5:00pm – Evening Service

7:30pm – Youth Night @ the Ellison’s

Sunday, 11/24

9:30am – Morning Service
 11:15am – Sunday School (Matt
 Esswein RUF Report at adult class)
 5:00pm – Evening Service

Wednesday, 11/20

6:30pm – Weekly Prayer Meeting

Thursday, 11/21

6:30pm – Worship Music Rehearsal

Monday, 11/25

5:30pm – Church Decorating Party

Friday, 11/22

Music for Next Lord’s Day, 11/24/2024

Morning

Approach: 181 – Now Thank We All Our God
 Thanksgiving: 276 – Jesus Paid It All
 Preparation: 202 – Here, O My Lord, I See Thee
 Response: 552 – Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Evening

Opening Hymn: 222 – O God, Our Help in Ages Past
 Psalter Hymn: 28 – To You, O LORD, I Cry
 Closing Hymn: 446 – Be Thou My Vision

Attendance & Giving Updates

| <i>As of 11/17/2024</i> | 11/10/2024: | 2024 Totals: | 2024 Budget Deficit <i>As of 10/31/2024</i> |
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| General Offering | <i>To be reported on 11/24/2024</i> | \$255,418.04 | (\$1,607.66) |
| Deacons’ Benevolence | <i>To be reported on 11/24/2024</i> | \$2,911.69 | |
| Attendance 11/10: AM Worship – 113 Sunday School – 61 PM Worship – 28 | | | |

Announcements

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!

Friday Youth Group Night on November 22nd

The Ellison family will be hosting a Youth Group night from 7:30pm – 10pm for students in Middle and High School on Friday, November 22nd. There will first be a devotional and prayer time followed by snacks, fellowship, and games. (Please feel free to bring food/drink to share and any games you might like to play). Please contact Ryan or Molly with any questions.

4th Sunday Choir Offertory

If you would like to sing with our 4th Sunday offertory choir in November, please join us for rehearsal at 8:50am on November 24th as we practice hymn **#551 - *We Plow the Fields***. You may access the audio to this hymn by going to www.trinitypsalterhymnal.org and clicking on the Song Selection box in the upper right of the page. Put the hymn number into the search box, then choose the matching title from the results (usually the first on the list).

Missionary Visit on November 24th

Matt Esswein with RUF at the UofA will be with us on during the Sunday School hour next Sunday, November 24th. Even if you do not normally stay for Sunday School, please plan to stay to hear Matt talk about the work he is doing on the college campus, ask any questions, and just support him in his very important mission field!

Decorating the Church for Christmas

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Monday, November 25th at 5:30pm. Pizza will be provided for all workers. Join us for work and fellowship!

Christmas Choirs

Those interested in singing with the choir at the Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols service on December 24th at 6:30pm: 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. Sheet music and rehearsal recordings will be available on Sunday, November 24th.

First Sunday Fellowship Meal

Our next First Sunday Fellowship Meal will be on December 1st 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.

Evening Service

Welcome & Silent Prayer

Call to Worship – Psalm 117

* Opening Hymn – #210 O God, We Praise Thee

* Prayer of Adoration and Confession

* Scripture Reading – Esther 8 (ESV)

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

People: Amen!

Congregational Prayers

* Psalter Hymn – #27A The LORD's My Light

* Sermon Text – Matthew 6:25-34

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Heidelberg Catechism – Lord's Day 50

Trinity Psalter Hymnal p 895

Sermon – Give Us Today Our Daily Bread

Rev. Judson Marvel

* Closing Hymn– #532 Be Still, My Soul

* Benediction – 2 Corinthians 13:14

* Psalm of Blessing – Psalm 72:18-19

Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel, for he alone doth wondrous works in glory that excel. And blessed be his glorious Name to all eternity: the whole earth let his glory fill. Amen, so let it be. A-men.

Notes:



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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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