



**GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;  
to all who mourn and long for comfort;  
to all who struggle and desire victory;  
to all who sin and need a Savior;  
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;  
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;  
and to all who will come,  
this church opens wide her doors  
and offers welcome  
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

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Grace Church is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

## Reflections

Sin will take you further than you want to go. It will keep you longer than you want to stay. It will cost you more than you want to pay. It will require more of you than you want to give.

— Unknown

Repentance must include a recognition of our own sin and guilt, as a transgression of God's law and a violation of his will for our lives. There must also be an understanding of the mercy of God and of his readiness to forgive, since apart from such an understanding knowledge of sin would only lead to fear and despair.

— Anthony Hoekema, *Saved by Grace*

If you suffer because of your sin, take heart! Repent and run back to the Father. There is no wrath left for you - only the open arms of a loving Father who is ready to receive you back home. Affliction affords us the opportunity to repent of our sins and be healed.

— Abby Hutto, *God For Us*

Jesus' salvation is a feast, and therefore when we believe in and rest in his work for us, through the Holy Spirit he becomes real to our hearts. His love is like honey, or like wine. Rather than only believing that he is loving, we can come to sense the reality, the beauty, and the power of his love. His love can become more real to you than the love of anyone else. It can delight, galvanize, and console you. That will lift you up and free you from fear like nothing else.

— Tim Keller, *The Prodigal God*

+ ADVENT + CHRISTMAS + EPIPHANY + LENT + EASTER + **PENTECOST** +

### **Pentecost**

Ten days after the ascension of Christ and fifty days after his resurrection, the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples on the day of Pentecost. Pentecost was an established Jewish festival also known as the Feast of Weeks, which drew people from many nations back to Jerusalem (Lev. 23:15-21; Deut. 16:16). Pentecost symbolizes a new beginning. It celebrates the unleashing of the Holy Spirit on the world and the empowering of the church to reach the world with the gospel. In celebrating Pentecost, the church expresses its gratitude for the faithfulness of Christ in fulfilling his promise to send “another counselor” (John 14:16); celebrates the work of the Spirit in renewing all of creation; professes its confidence and security in knowing the Spirit’s power is available for its mission; and grows in awareness of the immensity of its calling to reach the world with the gospel. The traditional color for Pentecost is red, after the flames described in Acts 2:3.

# Grace Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day, August 30, 2026

10:30 am

## Prelude

## Words of Welcome

## Preparation for Worship<sup>1</sup>

*Praise*

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## Call to Worship

From **Psalm 105**

Minister: The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us;

*People: We dwell in him and he in us.*

Minister: Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his name;

*People: Make known his deeds among the people,*

Minister: Sing to him; sing praises to him!

*People: Speak of all his marvelous works!*

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<sup>1</sup> as a courtesy please make sure to silence all communication.

## Song of Praise

## *Praise To The Lord The Almighty*

Catherine Winkworth and Joachim Neander

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,  
the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is  
thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear,  
now to his temple draw near,  
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord Who o'er all things  
So wondrously reigneth  
Shelters thee under His wings  
Yea so gently sustaineth  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth

Praise to the Lord Who doth prosper  
Thy work and defend thee  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do  
If with His love He befriend thee

Praise to the Lord  
O let all that is in me adore Him  
All that hath life and breath  
Come now with praises before Him  
Let the amen sound from His people again  
Gladly for e'er we adore Him

## Prayer of Adoration

## Confession of Faith

WSC 56

Minister: What do you believe concerning "the forgiveness of sins"?

*People: I believe that God, because of Christ's atonement, will never hold against me any of my sins nor my sinful nature which I need to*

*struggle against all my life. Rather, in his grace God grants me the righteousness of Christ to free me forever from judgment.*

## **Song of Adoration**

*In Christ Alone*  
Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone this solid Ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

\_\_\_\_\_ *Renewal* \_\_\_\_\_

## Call to Renewal

Psalm 130:1-4

Out of the depths I cry to you, LORD;

2 Lord, hear my voice.

Let your ears be attentive  
to my cry for mercy.

3 If you, LORD, kept a record of sins,  
Lord, who could stand?

4 But with you there is forgiveness,  
so that we can, with reverence, serve you.

## Confession of Sin

*Minister*

*& People;*

*O Lord, our God, help us and heal us. We are stubborn, blind people who repeatedly and willfully stray from you. Like children who don't want their parents to hold their hands in a busy street, we will not stay near you. In our blindness, even our ability to confess has been distorted. Some of us are unaffected by the fact that we are helpless sinners without your mercy, indifferent to the cost of our rebellion. We confess out of duty or habit, but rarely out of a deep awareness of our need and helpless state. Some of us are so undone by our habitual failures that we can barely look up to you for help. Forgive us. Help us to confess out of confidence that you love us and have invited us into repentance and forgiveness. Loving Father, create in us clean hearts that are truly broken for our struggles with sin, yet utterly confident that your love is more than enough to forgive and transform the foulest sinner. Thank you that your steadfast love surrounds us because your steadfast love was taken away from Jesus on the cross. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.*

## Private Confession and Reflection

## Words of Encouragement

## Lamentations 3:21-24

Yet this I call to mind  
and therefore I have hope:  
22 Because of the LORD'S great love we are not consumed,  
for his compassions never fail.  
23 They are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.  
24 I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion;  
therefore I will wait for him."

## Song of Thanksgiving

## *All Must Be Well*

Mary Bowly Peters and Matthew S. Smith

Through the love of God our Savior all will be well  
Free and changeless is His favor all is well  
Precious is the blood that healed us  
Perfect is the grace that sealed us  
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us  
All must be well

Though we pass through tribulation all will be well  
Ours is such a full salvation all is well  
Happy still in God confiding  
Fruitful if in Christ abiding  
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding  
All must be well

We expect a bright tomorrow all will be well  
Faith can sing through days of sorrow all is well  
*On our Father's love relying*  
*Jesus ev'ry need supplying*  
*Yes in living and in dying*  
*All must be well (repeat)*

## The Prayers of the People (concluded with the Lord's prayer)

*Our Father, who 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!*

## Passing of the Peace

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.

*People: And also with you!*

*If parents prefer, children 4 years old – 2nd grade  
are invited to attend Children's Church in the Education Building at this time.*

## Doxology

Thomas Ken & Bob Kauflin

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
In heaven above and earth below  
Praise God the Father and the Son  
Praise God the Spirit, three-in-one. Amen.

## Announcements

\_\_\_\_\_ *Commitment* \_\_\_\_\_

## The Offering

The offering is a way for members and friends of Grace Church to support the church's mission and ministry. If you are our guest today, please feel under no compulsion to give.

- 1 Blessed is the one  
whose transgressions are forgiven,  
whose sins are covered.
- 2 Blessed is the one  
whose sin the LORD does not count against them  
and in whose spirit is no deceit.
- 3 When I kept silent,  
my bones wasted away  
through my groaning all day long.
- 4 For day and night  
your hand was heavy on me;  
my strength was sapped  
as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you  
and did not cover up my iniquity.  
I said, "I will confess  
my transgressions to the LORD."  
And you forgave  
the guilt of my sin.
- 6 Therefore let all the faithful pray to you  
while you may be found;  
surely the rising of the mighty waters  
will not reach them.
- 7 You are my hiding place;  
you will protect me from trouble  
and surround me with songs of deliverance.
- 8 I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;  
I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.
- 9 Do not be like the horse or the mule,  
which have no understanding  
but must be controlled by bit and bridle  
or they will not come to you.
- 10 Many are the woes of the wicked,  
but the LORD's unfailing love  
surrounds the one who trusts in him.
- 11 Rejoice in the LORD and be glad, you righteous;  
sing, all you who are upright in heart!

Minister: This is the Word of the LORD.

*People: Thanks be to God!*

## Sermon

**Pastor Kyle Bobos**

### *Blessed Forgiveness* **SUMMER PSALMS 2026**

## Communion

### *Guidelines for Reception of Communion*

*Communion is the family meal for Christians. We welcome all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who are baptized members of a congregation which proclaims the gospel, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer using the prayers that follow as guidelines. We hope that this time is helpful as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ, and with his people, the church.*

## The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: Therefore, lift up your hearts.

*People: We lift them up to the Lord!*

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

*People: It is right to give him thanks and praise!*

Minister: Together we proclaim the mystery of faith.

*All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!*

## Song of Communion

*Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

Charles Wesley and Greg Thompson

Jesus, lover of my soul,  
Let me to Thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll,  
While the tempest still is high.  
Hide me, O my Savior, hide,  
Till the storm is past;  
Safe into the haven guide;  
Receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none,  
Hangs my helpless soul on Thee;  
Leave, ah! leave me not alone,  
Still support and comfort me!  
All my trust on Thee is stayed,  
All my help from Thee I bring;  
Cover my defenseless head  
With the shadow of Thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want,  
more than all in thee I find;  
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,  
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.  
Just and holy is Thy Name,  
I am all unrighteousness;  
False and full of sin I am;  
Thou art full of truth and grace.

## Prayer of Consecration and the Words of Institution

### Prayer for those not communing:

#### Prayer for Covenant Children (Not Yet Confirmed)

Lord Jesus, thank you for placing me inside your family, the church. Help me more and more to know you, to love you, and to follow you as your faithful disciple. Amen.

#### Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

#### Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior. Amen.

#### Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking only to you, the author and finisher of my faith. Amen.

#### Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

## Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

Once the stations are ready, please come forward, row by row, to receive the elements. Once everyone has returned to their seat, we will stand together and sing the final verse from our Song of Commitment.

## Song of Commitment

*Jesus, Lover of My Soul*  
Charles Wesley and Greg Thompson

Plenteous grace with Thee is found,  
Grace to cover all my sin;  
Let the healing streams abound;  
Make and keep me pure within.  
Thou of life the fountain art,  
Freely let me take of Thee;  
Spring Thou up within my heart;  
Rise to all eternity.

## Benediction<sup>2</sup>

## 1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you. 13 May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

## Dismissal

Minister: Now, let us go forth to serve this community and the world as those who love our Lord Jesus Christ.

*All: Thanks be to God!*

*The pastoral staff and other church leaders are available following the service to pray with you or to answer your questions about the Christian faith or Grace Church*

## Worship Music

Joe Beam, drums  
Daniel Campbell, piano  
Fang Daniels, cello

Jennifer Reddick, flute  
Stephanie Taylor, vocalist  
Tim Taylor, guitar & vocalist

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<sup>2</sup> The benediction is much more than a wish or even a prayer. It is a renewed ordination of the people of God to their service to each other, to their community and the world. God declares his own favor toward his people.

## \_\_\_\_\_ Welcome, Guests! \_\_\_\_\_



**Welcome to Grace Presbyterian Church!** If you would like us to keep you in the loop with what's going on at GPC, *please take a moment to fill out the visitor information form by using the QR code.* We would be happy to meet you!

**Ways to Connect at Grace** where you can explore, engage, and get involved throughout the week.

- **Church Center App** (GPC Woodlands), use this QR code for a quick link to the app.
- **Our church website:** <https://www.gracewoodlands.org/>
- **Listening Devices** are available for the hearing impaired in the Narthex. Please feel free to use one of our listening devices and return it to the basket after worship. You may also use your own earphones by connecting through the Listen Everywhere app on your mobile device.



## \_\_\_\_\_ Announcements \_\_\_\_\_

**Our Grace Guest** wifi password is *GraceGuest*.

**Stewardship Update:** Grace thanks you so much for your generous gifts and offerings to our Savior for 2026.

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| July 2026 GF Budget          | \$108,333  |                             |
| Actual July 2026 GF Receipts | \$90,968   |                             |
| Variance                     | (\$17,365) | *2026 GF Budget \$1,300,000 |

### **Children's Ministries:**

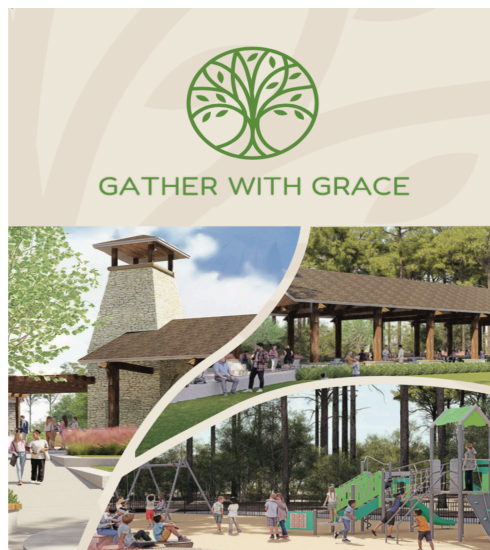
- **Parents of Infants-Three-Yr-Olds:** Our nursery classes (ages 8 weeks thru 3 years) provide a warm, nurturing, and well-supervised environment. Our Staff welcomes the opportunity to love your child! When using the nursery, please check in and label all items (bags, cups, etc.) with your child's name. Contact our Families Pastor, Kyle Bobos, at [kyle@gpcwoodlands.org](mailto:kyle@gpcwoodlands.org) with any questions about the nursery.
- **Children's Church is for children ages 4 through 2nd grade.** During the passing of the peace, the children line up with their leader at the back of the sanctuary to exit worship. During the song of communion, children will rejoin their families to

observe communion with the rest of the church body. We will gather in room 108 in the Education Building to sing songs, pray, and hear a children's sermon.

**Banners Explained:** The banners hanging today are textile renderings of watercolor originals by Kirsten Malcolm Berry. The banner on the left is her interpretation of Matthew 28:19 ("Go therefore and make disciples of all nations"). The one on the right depicts 2 Corinthians 5:18 ("All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation"). Each piece includes the Greek text. The works are mounted on a background of blue, a color of hope and promise. The designs were reproduced with the artist's permission. You can view more of Ms. Berry's work at [www.kirstenmalcolmberry.com](http://www.kirstenmalcolmberry.com).

## **Gather with Grace Campaign**

**An outdoor space to enhance and multiply ministry.**



We have launched Gather with Grace! Our outdoor campus project aims to allow us to extend our worship, community, and mission to experience and express the grace of Christ. We hope to receive all pledges by Commitment Sunday (Apr. 26), followed by initial donations on First Fruits Sunday (May 17). Pray the Lord opens a door for us to enhance our outdoor space and transform it into a means of ministry to one another and our community.

Scan for more information.

