

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

As a man who seemed about to lose both his career and his family once said to me, 'I always knew, in principle, that "Jesus is all you need" to get through. But you don't really know Jesus is all you need until Jesus is all you have.

— Tim Keller

We can ignore even pleasure. Pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pains: it is His megaphone to rouse a deaf world.

— C.S. Lewis

The same fire makes the gold shine and the chaff smoke; and under the same beating, the straw is wasted and the grain is cleared; and the dregs are not mixed with the oil, but are expressed from it.

— St. Augustine, *The City of 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, October 25, 2026

8:30 am & 10:45 am

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Preparation for Worship[1]

_____*Praise*_____

Call to Worship

Based on 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***

[1] as a courtesy please make sure to silence all communication.

Song of Praise

O Worship The King
Johann Michael Haydn and Robert Grant

O worship the King all glorious above
And gratefully sing His power and His love
Our Shield and Defender the Ancient of Days
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise

O tell of His might O sing of His grace
Whose robe is the light whose canopy space
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm

Frail children of dust and feeble as frail
In you do we trust nor find you to fail
Your mercies how tender how firm to the end
Our Maker Defender Redeemer and Friend

Prayer of Adoration

Confession of Faith

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic[2] church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Song of Adoration

Goodness Of God
Ed Cash and Jenn Johnson

I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus:
All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God (chorus)

Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now

[2] that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places.

I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me (repeat, chorus)

Renewal

Call to Renewal — Galatians 5:23-26

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

Confession of Sin

Minister
& People;

Gracious God, You are the God who speaks and acts. You created us and your world, you redeemed your people, and you command us to obey your Word which leads to blessing and wholeness. But we have ignored, neglected, forgotten, and despised your Word. We seek truth and life in places apart from you. We hear your call to us to be doers of your Word, and we admit that we have failed to honor you. We feed our desires and lusts and seek to make our lives easier at every turn. Forgive us for our failures to love you, to love our neighbors, and for our self-righteousness and outright rebellion against you. Stir our dull hearts and energize our apathetic spirits. Give us a fresh enthusiasm for your Word, a fresh desire to obey you, and a renewed Spirit of humility, grace, and mercy. Motivate us, by your Spirit, to strive towards holiness with every fiber of our being, while comforting us with what is already ours in Christ and the assurance that you will complete the good work you have begun in us. We pray this in Jesus' name.

Private Confession and Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

Minister: Because of the love of God the Father, in Christ, by the power of the Spirit, we are forgiven.

People: ***Thanks be to God!***

Song of Thanksgiving

There Is One Gospel
Jonny Robinson and Rich Thompson

There is one Gospel on which I stand
For all eternity
It is my story my Father's plan
The Son has rescued me
Oh what a Gospel oh what a peace
My highest joy and my deepest need
Now and forever He is my light
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel to which I cling
All else I count as loss
For there where justice and mercy meet
He saved me on the cross
No more I boast in what I can bring
No more I carry the weight of sin
For He has brought me from death to life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel where hope is found
The empty tomb still speaks
For death could not keep my Saviour down
He lives and I am free
Now on my Saviour I fix my eyes
My life is His and His hope is mine
For he has promised I too will rise
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

And in this Gospel the church is one
We do not walk alone
We have His Spirit as we press on
To lead us safely home
And when in glory still I will sing
Of this old story that rescued me
Praise to my Saviour the King of life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

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Mission Partners Update

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, children4 years old – 2nd grade
are invited to attend Children's Church in the Education Building at this time (10:30 service only).

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.

Scripture Reading **Exodus 7:1-13**

Then the Lord said to Moses, "See, I have made you like God to Pharaoh, and your brother Aaron will be your prophet. 2 You are to say everything I command you, and your brother Aaron is to tell Pharaoh to let the Israelites go out of his country. 3 But I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and though I multiply my signs and wonders in Egypt, 4 he will not listen to you. Then I will lay my hand on Egypt and with mighty acts of judgment I will bring out my divisions, my people the Israelites. 5 And the Egyptians will know that I am the Lord when I stretch out my hand against Egypt and bring the Israelites out of it."

6 Moses and Aaron did just as the Lord commanded them. 7 Moses was eighty years old and Aaron eighty-three when they spoke to Pharaoh. 8 The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 9 "When Pharaoh says to you, 'Perform a miracle,' then say to Aaron, 'Take your staff and throw it down before Pharaoh,' and it will become a snake."

10 So Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh and did just as the Lord commanded. Aaron threw his staff down in front of Pharaoh and his officials, and it became a

snake. 11 Pharaoh then summoned wise men and sorcerers, and the Egyptian magicians also did the same things by their secret arts: 12 Each one threw down his staff and it became a snake. But Aaron's staff swallowed up their staffs. 13 Yet Pharaoh's heart became hard and he would not listen to them, just as the Lord had said.

Minister: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: ***Thanks be to God!***

Sermon **Pastor Brad Wright**

Like God isn't God Enough
The Gospel According to Moses

_____*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

Abide With Me
Henry Francis Lyte and Justin Smith

Abide with me fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens Lord with me abide
When other helpers fail and comforts flee
Help of the helpless abide with me

Thou on my head in early youth didst smile
And though rebellious and perverse meanwhile
Thou hast not left me though I oft left Thee
On to the close Lord abide with me

I need thy presence every passing hour
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be
Through cloud and sunshine abide with me

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

Abide With Me
Henry Francis Lyte and Justin Smith

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee
In life in death Lord abide with me

Benediction[3] Hebrews 13:15-16

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise - the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

Dismissal

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

[3] 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.

All: ***Thanks be to God!***

Following the service, our pastoral staff and church leaders are available to pray with you, answer questions about the Christian faith, or help you learn more about Grace Church. If you would like to speak with someone, please meet us at the right side of the stage near the door.

Worship Music

Joe Beam, drums
Daniel Campbell, piano
Fang Daniels, cello
Jennifer Reddick, flute
Stephanie Taylor, vocalist
Tim Taylor, Vocalist & guitar

_____ 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.*

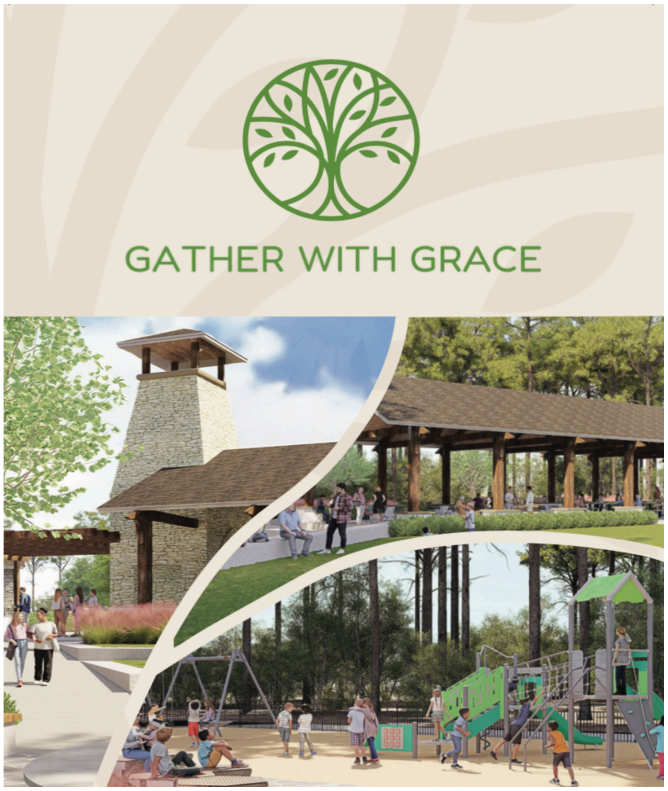
Stewardship Update: Grace thanks you so much for your generous gifts and offerings to our Savior for 2026.

Sept. 2026 GF Budget	$108,333	
Actual Sept. 2026 GF Receipts	$93,488	
Variance	($14,845)	*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 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 right is her interpretation of Hebrews 6:18,19 "…seize the hope set before us. We have this hope, a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul". The one on the left depicts 1 Timothy 2:5 "Jesus Our Bridge: There is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human". The Greek text links viewers to the original form of the text and its unfamiliar script hints at God's global grace to "every tribe and language." The designs were reproduced with the artist's permission. You can view more of Ms. Berry's work at 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 seeks to allow us to extend our mission to experience and express the grace of Christ. We continue to accept pledges and gifts toward the campaign. Pray that the Lord provides and opens a door for us to enhance our campus and use it to serve one another and our community.

- Goal: $2,200,000
- Pledged Amount: $921,140
- Received Amount: $392,004 as of 10.15.26

Scan for more information.