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**GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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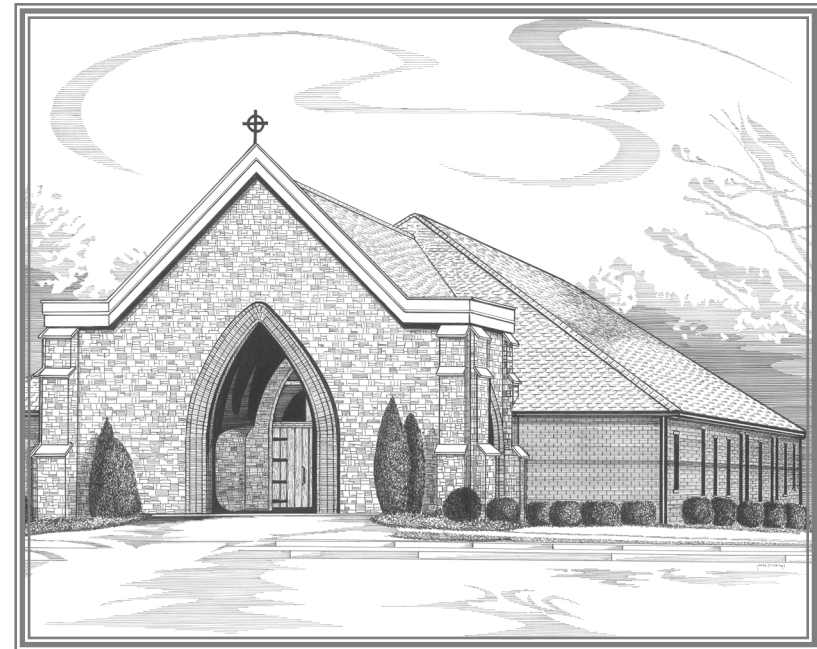
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**Lord's Day Attendance**

January 12, 2025  
SS AM PM 129

**GRACE  
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**THE LORD'S DAY**

January 19, 2025  
Sunday School: 9:30  
Morning Worship: 10:30

**THE PRELUDE**

Jennifer Thomason

**THE WELCOME**

**THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

*The worship of the Triune God is the believer's most important duty.* We are told in John 4:23-24 that God the Father is seeking those who will worship Him in Spirit and in truth. As you prepare for this worship service, purpose to be a participant, not a spectator. Join in the praise of the congregational singing; pray along with the elders adding your "Amen" (signifying your agreement with the petition, confession of sin, or adoration); join in the joyful giving of tithes and offerings; and carefully listen to God speaking through the reading and preaching of His life-transforming Word. May our sovereign Lord receive glory today as you humbly and actively worship Him.

**THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Dr. David Gilbert

"I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;  
I will sing praises to you among the nations.  
For your steadfast love is great to the heavens,  
your faithfulness to the clouds."

—Psalm 57:9-10 (ESV)

**THE INVOCATION**

**THE HYMN OF ADORATION AND PRAISE**

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

#100

**THE READING OF SCRIPTURE**

Rev. John Sutton

Genesis 41:1-16

PB#34

**THE CONFESSION OF SIN**

**THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

"If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?  
But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared."

—Psalm 130:3-4 (ESV)

**THE HYMN OF CONFIDENCE**

"God Moves in a Mysterious Way"

#128

**THE ELDERS' FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE**

**Scripture of the Week:** "Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other."  
—Isaiah 45:22 (ESV)

**Westminster Shorter Catechism:** Q70. What is forbidden in the sixth commandment?  
A. The sixth commandment forbids the taking away of our own life, or the life of our neighbor, unjustly, or whatsoever is related thereunto.

**Hymn of the Month:** "The Sands of Time Are Sinking" - #546

**ELDER VISITATION: JANUARY 2025**

**Ellis:** Billy and Kay Stone

**Gilbert:** Jacob and Rebekah Lamont

**Reams:** Mark and Debbie Swafford

**Verner:** Mike and Julie Caputo

**Fowler:** Danny and Becky Willis

**Lamont:** Thomas and Bethany Shields

**Sutton:** Francis and Bridget Ngalle

**NURSERY SCHEDULE**

January Nursery Team Leader: Jackie Verner

	<b><u>Morning</u></b>	<b><u>Evening</u></b>
<i>Jan 19</i>	Babies: Lisa Reams, Marcie Ivey 2 - 3 year olds: Regan Adams, Griffon Raible Roamer: Catherine Ellis	Carolyn Shields Nakia Chatman, Cormon Raible Jackie Verner
<i>Jan 26</i>	Babies: Kay Stone, Erika Arms 2 - 3 year olds: Erin Burlaga, Abigail Reams Roamer: Stacey Vande Kerkhoff	Courtney Harn Lisa Parker, Adelaide Ellis Jackie Verner

**Deacon Team Leader**

1/19: Wayne Parker - 770-366-1768 (AM)  
Jeff Rowell - 770-355-3294 (PM)  
1/26: Patrick Raible, Thomas Shields

**Coffee Hour Volunteers**

1/19: Cormon Raible, Patrick Raible  
1/26: Lex Gilbert, Savannah Gilbert

**GRACE CHURCH GIVING REPORT**

<b><u>General Budget:</u></b>	Weekly Need:	\$	12,813.00
	Average Weekly Giving:	\$	9,617.00
	Week of January 12:	\$	4,146.00
	2025 Giving YTD:	\$	19,234.00

## Welcome Visitors!

We are so happy to have you worship with us today. If you would like to learn more about Grace Presbyterian Church, please consult the “About” section of our website at [www.grace-pca.net](http://www.grace-pca.net). For further information, please do not hesitate to contact Pastor Gilbert at 770-489-6758. **Please scan the QR code below or fill out a Visitors’ Card on the credenza in the narthex if you would like to leave your contact information.**



## Announcements

- ◆ **Evening Worship:** We warmly invite you to return this evening for God-centered worship. Rev. John Sutton will preach from the book of Genesis in his sermon titled, “Tracing Lines.”
- ◆ **Sunday Coffee Fellowship:** Please join us for our coffee fellowship in the fellowship hall immediately following the AM worship service.
- ◆ **Fellowship Meal:** We will have a church-wide fellowship meal following the morning worship service on Sunday, January 26. Please plan to participate in this special time and bring a main dish plus either a side dish or dessert, preparing generous amounts so that there is plenty for all.
- ◆ **New Sunday School Classes:** Two new adult/youth Sunday School series will begin on February 2. They will be studying 1 John (located in the fellowship hall) and “The Creeds and the Crazyies” (located in the sanctuary).
- ◆ **Wednesday Night Activities:** Please plan to join us this Wednesday, January 22, at 6:00pm for a meal of **pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw, chips, and cookies**. At 7 pm, children (through age 11) meet in the fellowship hall for Covenant Kids, youth gather in the youth classroom, and the adults meet in the sanctuary for a devotion and time of prayer. Please sign up for dinner on the list in the narthex or notify the church office (770-489-6758 or [gracechurch@grace-pca.net](mailto:gracechurch@grace-pca.net)) **by noon on Monday, January 20**. We request a donation of \$2 per person with a maximum of \$10 per family.
- ◆ **Ladies’ Prayer Circle:** The ladies’ prayer circle meets on Thursdays at 10am in the 4 and 5 Sunday school room. If you would like to attend or have questions, please contact the Grace church office at [gracechurch@grace-pca.net](mailto:gracechurch@grace-pca.net) or 770-489-6758.
- ◆ **Friday Men’s Bible Study:** On Friday, January 24, Rev. John Sutton will continue teaching the series on Ezekiel. Please join him in the fellowship hall at 6:30am for this time of fellowship and spiritual refreshment.
- ◆ We want to express our gratitude and thanks to Ken Norton and Jeff Turner for their service to Grace PCA as officers for a number of years. Both of these men have been released from their offices, and we wish them well as they transition to new fields of service in new places.
- ◆ **Please remember to leave the back rows open for families with small children.**

**Children in the Worship Service:** If you have little ones in the sanctuary who become chatty or noisy, the parlor, immediately behind the sanctuary, is available for your use. We also offer a nursery for **infants and toddlers ages 2-3** located downstairs during the morning and evening worship services.

**No Food, Drinks, Cell Phones:** In order to keep our sanctuary in good condition and to foster an attitude of reverence in worship, we ask that you refrain from bringing any food or drink into the sanctuary and that you turn off all cell phones prior to the worship service. Thank you.

## THE CONFESSION OF FAITH

*Heidelberg Catechism, 1563*

Question #1: What is your only comfort in life and death?

**Answer #1: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.**

## THE PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Dr. David Gilbert

## THE GIVING OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

## THE PREACHING OF GOD’S WORD

Rev. Dr. David Gilbert

SPIRIT-EMPOWERED GROWTH  
“Rage and Citizen Rights”  
Acts 22:22-29, PB#932  
#78 in series

## THE PSALM OF RESPONSE

Psalm 72 - “Christ Shall Have Dominion”

#439

## THE BENEDICTION

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.”

—Romans 15:13

## THE POSTLUDE

Jennifer Thomason

*Rage and Citizen Rights*  
*Acts 22:22-29*

*Introduction*

*I. Renewed Hostility, vv.22-23*

*II. A Reminder of Rights, vv.24-29*