

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**If you're visiting** with us, we're glad you're here and would love to connect with you! There are visitor cards in the back of the chairs in front of you. If you would fill one out and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to any officer, we would appreciate it. We hope you stay after worship for a time of snacks, fellowship, and Sunday School.

**The Women's Spring Bible Study** will meet on **Tuesday, March 24th at 9:30am** here at Grace Covenant. We hope you join us as we study the book of Titus. For those who need it, please contact Margaret Locklair for any nursery needs at 843.450.4089, preferably a week in advance.

**Wednesday Bible Study & Fellowship** will meet on **Wednesday, March 25th at 6:00pm** at Grace Covenant. All ages will gather together for a study of The Ten Commandments followed by a time of snacks and fellowship. Please invite your friends and bring your favorite snack to share!

**Mark your calendars** for this month's **Hymn Sing: March 29th!** We will meet at GCPC from 5:00-7:00PM. Please bring a finger food to share! If you would like to host or have questions about hosting this or any of our future dates, (May 31, August 30, December 13), contact **Tim Chasteen at 678.896.3590.**

**Beth Hamilton is starting a flower guild** to decorate the church for holidays, the first one being Easter. No experience required! The group will meet at GCPC from **9:30-11:30am on Saturday, April 4th.** Light brunch refreshments and all supplies will be provided. If you're interested, or have flowers and greenery growing in your yard that you'd be willing to contribute, please contact Beth Hamilton at **ham88fam@gmail.com** or **256-904-6670.**

**Youth group** will meet **Sunday, April 19th** from 6:00-7:30 PM at the Webb's. We typically spend time eating, playing games, and hanging out before we begin Bible study.

**New Members Class:** We are planning to offer a new members class in the near future. If you are interested in the possibility of joining the church, or you would like to learn more about the beliefs, practices, and government of Grace Covenant and the PCA, please let Pastor Ross know.

If you are not receiving **weekly church emails** and would like to, please reach out to Amy Rikard, Pastor Ross, or an elder about being added to the email list.

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# GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

Lord's Day Worship  
March 22, 2026

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 113:1-3

*Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and forevermore! From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the Lord is to be praised!*

#### HYMN OF PRAISE

*I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art* #168

#### \*INVOCATION & 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. 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 23

Page 458 in pew Bible

#### SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

#### CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**Almighty God, You who are rich in mercy to all those who call upon You, hear us as we come to You humbly confessing our sins and transgressions, and asking for Your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken Your holy Law by our words and actions and by the sinful attitude of our hearts. We confess before You our disobedience and ingratitude, our lack of love for you and for each other. For the sake of Your steadfast love, grant to us that we may serve and please You in newness of life. We ask this through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 55:6-9

*Seek the LORD while he may be found; call on him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn to the LORD, and he will have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will freely pardon. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.*

#### \*HYMN OF FORGIVENESS

*Psalm 51 - God Be Merciful to Me*

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#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

#### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### \*THE DOXOLOGY

#### \*HYMN OF PREPARATION

*Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ*

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#### SERMON TEXT

Page 990 in pew Bible

2 Thessalonians 3:16-17

#### RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

#### PREACHING OF THE WORD

*The Lord Be With You*

*Ross Hodges*

#### \*HYMN OF RESPONSE

*O Church Arise*

*Insert*

#### \*BENEDICTION

*\*Please Stand*