



GRACE COVENANT CHURCH



The 34th Lord's Day
Sunday, August 25, 2024

A CONGREGATION OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

Welcome to Grace Covenant Church

Thank you for worshipping with us today!

Grace Covenant Church strives to embrace, embody, and extend our triune God's truth, goodness, and beauty through worship, discipleship, and mission in Jesus Christ.

Visitors, we are so glad you are here! Please locate a 'Visitor's Card,' and fill out any info you'd like to share with us so that we may get to know you better. You can place it in the offering plates on the tables in the Narthex.

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Sunday:

Sunday School
9:30 a.m.

Morning
Worship
10:30 a.m.

Wednesday:

Youth Group
6 – 8 p.m.

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sermons:



The Order of Public Worship



✠ **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Salmo; Nehemías) Psalm 111.1-5; Nehemiah 9.5-6

Praise the LORD! Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever. He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful. He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever. Stand up and bless the LORD your God from everlasting to everlasting!

Blessed be your glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise....You are the LORD, you alone. You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them; and you preserve all of them; and the host of heaven worships you!

✠ **SONG OF ADORATION**

All Creatures of Our God and King

*All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou, burning sun with golden beam
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son
And praise the Spirit, Three-in-One
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*All the redeemed washed by His blood
Come and rejoice in His great love
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Christ has defeated every sin
Cast all your burdens now on Him*

✠ =
Congregation
Standing

God invites us to
His heavenly
throne of grace

Original Words
(v.1-2) by St.
Francis of
Assisi,
translated by
William Henry
Draper; Music,
16th Century
German tune,
adapted by
Jonathan Baird
and Ryan
Baird; Add.
Words (v.3-4)
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(continued...)

*O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*He shall return in pow'r to reign
Heaven and earth will join to say
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Then who shall fall on bended knee?
All creatures of our God and King
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

✠ **PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Heavenly Father, Lord and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love you and keep your commandments, we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules. We have not listened to your word as we should nor obeyed your voice as you are worthy. But to you belong mercy and forgiveness. Help us, through your word and sacrament, to see and savor the ministry of our king and high priest. Incline your ear to his prayers as he pleads his righteous acts and righteous wounds for his people. Help us to live under the unending shine of your satisfaction with him as your holy sanctuary and royal priesthood in ever increasing proclamation of your excellencies through our contrition and communion as we grow into what you already count us to be in Christ. In Jesus' name, Amen.

God cleanses
us and
renews us in
His grace

ASSURANCE OF THE GOSPEL

(Hebreos) Hebrews 4.14-16; 7.24-25

✠ **SONG OF PRAISE**

The Power of the Cross

*Oh, to see the dawn
Of the darkest day;
Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men,
Torn and beaten, then
Nailed to a cross of wood.*

*Chorus: This, the pow'r of the cross;
Christ became sin for us;
Took the blame, bore the wrath—
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

(continued...)

*Oh, to see the pain
Written on Your face,
Bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Every bitter thought,
Every evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow. [Chorus]*

*Now the daylight flees;
Now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two,
Dead are raised to life;
"Finished!" the vict'ry cry. [Chorus]*

*Oh, to see my name
Written in the wounds,
For through Your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death;
Life is mine to live,
Won through Your selfless love*

*Final Chorus: This, the pow'r of the cross:
Son of God--slain for us.
What a love! What a cost!
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS

(Salmo) Psalm 32, TH 795

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

(1 Juan) 1 John 1.5-2.2

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

COLLECTION

SERMON TEXT

(Daniel) Daniel 9.1-21

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"Corporate Contrition, Confession, and Communion"

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God
consecrates us
to renewed
devotion and
obedience

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

The Liturgy of the Upper Room

✠ **SONG OF APPROACH** *There Is a Fountain filled with Blood, TH 253*

✠ **CONFESSION OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed (TH, 845)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & INVITATION (1 Corintios) 1 Cor 10.16-17; 11.23-26

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & CONSECRATION OF ELEMENTS

✠ **SONG OF RESPONSE** *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken, TH 345*

✠ **BENEDICTION** (Hebreos) Hebrews 13.20-21

✠ **SONG OF BLESSING** 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.*



God
communes
with us at His
Table

God blesses us
with His
presence and
power to be
His
ambassadors
of grace

Nursery Schedule:

08/25: Sunday School
Worship
Children's Church

Betty Stacy
Amber Darnell and Caleb Prather
Mary & Justin David

09/01: Sunday School
Worship
Children's Church

Sherry Floresta
Amber and Aaron Ootsdyk
Brandon & Sierra Nicholson

Nursery
Care is available for children up to age 4 in the nursery room off the main hallway.

Please Take Note:

Mission of the Month – Please pray for Kurt and Jill (last name withheld) who serve Muslim communities in the UK and beyond. Pray for their protection and encouragement in this very difficult mission field. Pray for the hearts of those they serve to be open to the gospel. Sign up to receive their e-newsletter and pick up a copy of a newsletter with their latest prayer requests in the church foyer.

Fall Sunday School – Fall Sunday School is in full swing for all ages. The Adults will be continuing with a time of purposeful, directed prayer during the SS hour and all adults are encouraged to join.

Women's Bible Study – Come join us as we study the book of Hosea using No Empty Word: Relentless Pursuit by Paula Miles. The next meeting will be Tuesday, August 27 at 10:00 am or Wednesday, August 28 at 6:30 pm. We'll cover Chapter 2. If you require childcare, please let us know by the Friday before the study (wmc@gracecovenantpca.com). Contact Jeannie Altman if you have any questions.

Men's Bible Study – Join us as we continue to study the book of John on Wednesday, August 28 at 6:30 PM in the Adult Sunday School classroom. The materials required are your copy of the Word and a desire to "dig in" and discover fresh Truths as the Spirit of Christ ministers to us in fellowship and discussion. Please contact Clay Ramsey (clayramsey@gracecovenantpca.com) for more info.

Youth Group – Our Youth Group meets every Wednesday evening from 6:30 - 8 PM at the church. Everyone in the congregation is encouraged to participate in the Sign Up Genius email to provide **youth meals on Wednesday nights**. There are take out options! See Josh Bemenderfer for questions about youth group.

Craft Night – is on summer break and will resume on the 2nd Thursday of each month starting September 12th. Bring your craft or hobby and fellowship together.

ESL Ministry – ESL is on Tuesday nights at 6:30. If you would like to help in

To receive churchwide emails about church news and events:



any way, please talk to Jeff Chastine or Lois Barday. No teaching experience required, just friendly faces.

Trail Life & American Heritage Girls – AHG and Trail Life are in full swing for all school-aged children. Adult volunteers are needed. Please contact Jacob McGill to register your child or volunteer.

Missions Trip to Cancun 2024 – GCC will send a short-term mission team to Cancun Mexico, Nov 9 -16, to serve a sister church, Cristo La Unico Esperanza. The team partners with Great Commission Coaching ministry to do some painting and minor repairs at their church. We have 6 people going and need to raise around \$10,000 to cover transportation, food, translators, and to help pay for all of the materials needed for the repairs and painting. Please pray about donating to help cover the costs for this short-term mission trip. Donate online at <http://www.gracecovenantchurchpca.com/newgiving> (choose “2024 Cancun mission trip” from the drop-down menu) or use QR code



Monthly Missions Trip Prayer Meeting – Please join the missions team on the 1st Sunday of every month just after worship for church wide prayer. The next prayer meeting will be Sept. 1st beginning 15 minutes after the end of worship in the Adult Sunday School classroom and will last for approx. 30 minutes.

The JOY Club – The J.O.Y. Lunch Club (Just Older Youth) will gather on the 3rd Thursday of each month. Join us on September 19th at 11:30 AM, at O'Charley's Restaurant, 4790 Jimmy Lee Smith Pkwy., Hiram, Georgia. Please show your interest in attending...sign up in the church lobby or contact Kris Payne.



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