

Welcome to Worship

at

Grace

Presbyterian Church PCA

Sunday, August 31, 2025

PRELUDE

MEDITATION

Almighty God, Your glory is above the heavens, praise waits for You in Zion! Out of Your great mercy You have gathered us into Your church. Receive the adoration of our hearts, and grant that we may so honor You, both in spirit and in outward form, that Your name may be glorified through the worship of our lips and of our hearts. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 145:1-3

FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH Trinity Hymnal #116

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM Lord’s Day 35

Q. What does God require in the second commandment?

A. We are not to make an image of God in any way, nor to worship him in any other manner than he has commanded in his Word.

Q. May we then not make any image at all?

A. God cannot and may not be visibly portrayed in any way. Creatures may be portrayed, but God forbids us to make or have any images of them in order to worship them or to serve God through them.

Q. But may images not be tolerated in the churches as "books for the laity"

A. No, for we should not be wiser than God. He wants his people to be taught not by means of dumb images but by the living preaching of his Word.

CONGREGATIONAL CONFESSION OF SIN

O God our Father, we come to You humbly confessing our sins. Be merciful to us, O Lord. Remember not our offenses; do not deal with us as our sins deserve, nor reward us according to our wickedness. We confess to You our blindness of heart, our love of ease, our failure to do what is good and our worldly pride and boasting. Forgive us, O Merciful Father, for Jesus' sake and grant us repentance from sin and a true and living faith in Jesus Christ. Enable us to hallow Your name, that we may seek first Your kingdom and Your righteousness, that we may love You and our neighbor with all our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 Samuel 12:20-22

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

DOXOLOGY Trinity Hymnal #731

DEACON’S OFFERTORY PRAYER

IN CHRIST ALONE
by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend | ©2001 Thankyou Music

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.

In Christ alone! – who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied –
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

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.

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.

THOUGH I MAY SPEAK Hymn #597

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain,
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be giv’n by love within,
The profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
By this we worship and are freed.

ELDER’S PRAYER

SERMON TE Jerry Straight
“Our Attitude Towards Unbelievers”
Romans 12:14-21

O JESUS I HAVE PROMISED
by Arthur Henry Mann and John Ernest Bode

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
be thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me, around me and within;
but Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self will.
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
O speak and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

THE LORD’S PRAYER Hymnal, inside cover

BENEDICTION

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP LUNCH TODAY AT 11AM

CLASSES WILL RESUME NEXT WEEK, SEPTEMBER 7TH

CHILDREN CLASSES
PRE-K & K – ROOM 101
1ST & 2ND GRADE – ROOM 105
3RD – 5TH GRADE – ROOM 102
MIDDLE SCHOOL – ROOM 104
HIGH SCHOOL – ROOM 112

ADULT CLASSES
‘GENESIS’ AND THE LIFE OF ABRAHAM ~ ROOM 108
WOMEN’S CLASS ‘EZEKIEL’ ~ ROOM 111
“CHRISTIAN HISTORY MADE EASY” ~ FELLOWSHIP HALL

WELCOME

If you’re new to Grace, we are thankful you are here to worship with us!
Please complete a **Welcome** or **Prayer Request card** from the back of the
pews and place it in the offering or Welcome Center basket. Watch your
inbox for the weekly church email, “**This Week at Grace**” or visit the
church website ‘**Events**’ page.

SERMON NOTES

“Our Attitude Towards Unbelievers”
Romans 12:14-21

UPCOMING EVENTS

POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP LUNCH | TODAY, 11 AM
FALL GOOD NEWS CLUB – TRAINING DAY WITH CEF | SAT SEP 6, 8 AM

WOMEN’S ZOOM BIBLE STUDY
“SEEING JESUS IN THE HISTORICAL BOOKS” | TUE SEP 9, 6:30 PM

WOMEN'S IN-PERSON BIBLE STUDY AT GRACE
“PSALMS OF ASCENT” | WED SEP 10, 6 PM

MEN’S BREAKFAST | SAT SEP 13, 7:30 AM
“GROW” FORMING, SHAPING CHILDREN BY WHAT WE TEACH
CONFERENCE AT GRACE | SAT SEP 13, 9:30 AM
PRIMETIMERS @GLORY DAYS “TRUSTS AND WILLS” | THU SEP 18, 12 PM

CLEAN OUT YOUR CLOSET FOR DONATION SATURDAY
SAT SEP 20, 7:45 AM

WEEKLY MINISTRIES

GRACE PRES YOUTH GROUP & GRACE KIDS | SUNDAYS 6-7:30 PM
JOIN THE GREEN TEAM | WEDNESDAYS 9-11 AM
FELLOWSHIP CRAFTING CIRCLE | 1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAYS 2-4 PM
CHOIR REHEARSAL | THURSDAYS 7 PM
FOOD MINISTRY DISTRIBUTION | SATURDAYS 8-10 AM

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

- **Payton, Jon and Lois White’s granddaughter**, for complete healing from Guillain-Barre, and peace for her parents, Aaron and Darienne.
- **Corey, Steve and Gayle Meyerhoff’s son-in-law**, for recovery from a heart attack and stent on 8/12.
- **Mary Walters** for tolerance of new heart med and healing of her back.
- **Carl & Donna Gregg** for strength as they begin to proceed with fostering two children, working towards an out-of-state adoption.
- **Robbie Johnson** for healing from knee replacement surgery.
- **Wells, Scott and Lori Van Zanten’s grandson**, to thrive at home.
- **Kaylin, Dan Little’s great-niece**, continued progress for rehabilitation and that she and her father Chris will know the Lord's presence.
- **Dan Little** for complete recovery which is slower than anticipated.
- **Marilyn Dean's granddaughter, Ginny**, for left ear issue to resolve.
- **Dan and Kathy Knight’s son, Seth and family**, while he is deployed.
- **Christopher Holtzman** for complete healing with new treatment.
- **Steve Sloan, Lori Van Zanten’s brother and his family**, with lung cancer.
- **Ken Deans** for comfort and pain relief.
- **Laura Greenbaum’s granddaughter, Sophia**, with epilepsy.
- **Nathaniel, Barbara Bohac’s grandson**, that seizures would end.
- **Jennifer, Joy Schoenbauer’s niece**, for eradication of any cancer.
- **Wali & Xenia Bedminster family** for clear direction for Caleb’s care.
- **Kelly, Vicki Perry’s cousin and family**, facing cancer progression.
- **Tom Alexander** for encouragement to accept and work toward his goals for rehabilitation, and for strength for Jenise, Zach, and Max.

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