

GRACE COMMUNITY

Presbyterian Church, PCA

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

March 24, 2024

10:30am

Reflection: “Each section labels a pious deed: 'when you give', 'when you pray', 'when you fast'. Then a prohibition follows: do not sound a trumpet, pray on a street corner, or look gloomy. There is a second refrain: hypocrites practice righteousness to 'be seen' (repeated 3 times). If hypocrites aim for human praise, they will get it. Men will praise them, but God will not.”
James Hamilton

Prelude

Welcome

————— WORSHIP IN PRAISE —————

Silent Preparation

Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen.*

Call to Worship.....from Psalm 103

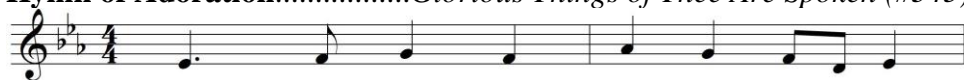
Minister: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

People: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

Minister: The LORD has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all.

People: Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the LORD, O my soul!

Hymn of Adoration.....Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (#345)



1. Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken,
 2. See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters,
 3. Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - 'ring,
 4. Sav - ior, if of Zi - on's cit - y



Zi - on, cit - y of our God; he whose word can -
 spring - ing from e - ter - nal love, well sup - ply thy
 see the cloud and fire ap - pear for a glo - ry
 I, through grace, a mem - ber am, let the world de -



not be bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode:
 sons and daugh - ters, and all fear of want re - move:
 and a cov - 'ring, show - ing that the Lord is near:
 ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in thy name:



on the Rock of A - ges found - ed,
 who can faint, while such a riv - er
 thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner
 fad - ing is the world - ling's plea - sure,



what can shake thy sure re - pose? With sal - va - tion's
 ev - er flows their thirst t'as - suage? Grace which, like the
 light by night and shade by day, safe they feed up -
 all his boast - ed pomp and show; sol - id joys and



walls sur - round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
 Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.
 on the man - na which he gives them when they pray.
 last - ing trea - sure none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Preparation.....*Jesus, Lover of My Soul*



1. Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, let me
 2. Oth - er ref - uge have I none, I
 3. Thou, O Christ, are all I want; here
 4. Plen - teous grace with thee is found, grace to



to thy bo - som fly, While the near - er
 help - less hang on thee; leave, oh leave me
 more than all I find; raise the fall - en,
 cov - er all my sin; let the heal - ing



wa - ters roll, while the tem - pest still is
 not a - lone, still sup - port and com - fort
 cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the
 streams a - bound; make and keep me pure with -



high; hide me, O my Sav - ior hide,
 me! All my trust on thee is stayed, all
 blind. Just and ho - ly is thy name; I am
 - in: thou of life the foun - tain art,



till life's storm is past safe in - to the
 help from thee I bring; cov - er my de -
 all un - right - eous - ness; false and full of
 let me take of thee; spring thou up with -



ha - ven guide, re - ceive my soul at last.
 fense - less head in the shad - ow of thy wing.
 sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.
 in my heart, for all e - ter - ni - ty.

WORSHIP IN CONFESSION AND PARDON

Call to Confession.....Psalm 41:4

O LORD, be gracious to me; heal me, for I have sinned against you!

Prayer of Confession

Words of Comfort and Promise.....1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Hymn of Response.....*Wonderful, Merciful Savior*



1. Won - der - ful, mer - ci - ful Sav - ior, pre - cious Re -
2. Coun - se - lor, Com - for - ter, Keep - er, Spir - it we
3. Al - might - y, in - fi - nite Fa - ther, faith - ful - ly



deem - er and Friend; Who would have thought that a
long to em - brace; You of - fer hope when our
lov - ing Your own; Here in our weak - ness You



Lamb could res - cue the souls of men?
hearts have hope - less - ly lost the way,
find us fall - ing be - fore Your throne,



Oh, you res - cue the souls of men.
Oh, we hope - less - ly lost the way.
Oh, we're fall - ing be - fore Your throne.

REFRAIN



You are the One that we praise, You are the one we a -



dore. You give the heal - ing and grace our hearts al - ways



hun - ger for, Oh, our hearts al - ways hun - ger for.

Receiving of New Members
Stephen, Courteney, Hannah, Garrett, and Aaron Woods
Ruling Elder, Dan Bent

Membership Vows BCO* 57-5

1. Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes a follower of Christ?
4. Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to promote its purity and peace?

—————**WORSHIP AND THE MEANS OF GRACE**—————

The First Reading of God’s Word.....Proverbs 10:19-24
p 534

The Second Reading of God’s Word.....Matthew 6:1-18
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Reader: This is the Word of God.

People: Amen!

Prayer of Consecration

We offer an optional **Children’s Lesson** for children 4 years old through 1st grade. If you choose to have your children participate, you may dismiss them for CL as we sing the hymn of response. Please know we welcome and encourage your children to remain with you during the sermon. However, in the CL they will be hearing from the same text that the sermon is based upon, so you may discuss the message as a family after church if you wish to do so.

Hymn of Response.....*Thy Word Have I Hid In My Heart*

1. Thy Word is a lamp to my feet, a
2. Through him whom thy Word hath fore - told, the

light to my path al - way, to guide and to save me from
Sav - ior and Morn - ing Star, sal - va - tion and peace have been

sin, and show me the heav'n - ly way.
brought to those who have strayed a - far.

REFRAIN

Thy Word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin a-against thee; that

I might not sin, that I might not sin, thy Word have I hid in my heart.

Hearing from God's Word.....Matthew 6:1-18

Rev. Kyle Oliphint

Religious Performance

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Please see instructions on the inside back cover of your bulletin.

“There is nothing that is so calculated to promote holiness as the realization that we are heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, that our destiny is certain and secure, that nothing can prevent it. Realizing that, we purify ourselves even as He is pure, and we feel that there is no time to waste. That is the way to live the Christian life!

Do not turn it into a law, but realize that you have received the Holy Spirit. Then work out this theme. Your Father is watching over you. He is looking after you – yes, let me use scriptural language – He is jealous concerning you because you belong to Him. You belong to Christ, you are His brother. The Holy Spirit is dwelling in your very body and you are destined for glory.”

Martyn Lloyd-Jones

Communion Hymns

Come Ye Sinners – *Joseph Hart/Folk Melody*

1. Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you,
Full of pity, love and pow'r.

2. Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome,
God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh.

3. Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Lost and ruined by the fall;

If you tarry 'til you're better,
You will never come at al.

4. Lo! th' incarnate God ascended,
Pleads the merit of His blood:
Venture on Him, venture wholly,
Let no other trust intrude.

5. Let not conscience make you linger,
Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requireth
Is to feel your need of Him.

Behold the Lamb – *Stuart Townend/Keith and Kristyn Getty*

1. Behold the Lamb who bears our sins
away, slain for us: and we remember:
The promise made that all who come in
faith find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this Bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King.

2. The body of our Savior, Jesus Christ,
Torn for you: eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that
brings us life, paid the price to make us
one. So we share in this Bread of Life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King.

3. The blood that cleanses every stain of
sin, shed for you: drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter
in to receive the life of God.
So we share in this Bread of Life,
And we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King.

4. And so with thankfulness and faith
We rise to respond: and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering,
We proclaim: Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King.

None Other Lamb (#157) – *Christina Rossetti/William Jeater*

1. None other Lamb, None other Name,
None other hope in Heav'n or earth or sea,
None other hiding place from guilt and
shame, None beside Thee!

2. My faith burns low,
My hope burns low;
Only my heart's desire cries out in me

By the deep thunder of its want and woe,
Cries out to Thee.

3. Lord, Thou art Life,
Though I be dead;
Love's fire Thou art, however cold I be:
Nor Heav'n have I, nor place to lay my
head, Nor home but Thee.

WORSHIP IN GRATITUDE

(Please consider filling out your prayer request **now** and dropping it in the offering plate.)

Offertory.....All to Jesus I Surrender

All to Jesus I surrender,
All to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him,
In His presence daily live.

All to Thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

I surrender all,
I surrender all;

All to Jesus I surrender,
Make me, Savior, wholly Thine;
Let me feel the Holy Spirit,
Let me know Thy power divine.

Closing Hymn.....Great Is Thy Faithfulness (#32)



1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
2. Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee;
sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove;
thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,



thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;
join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



as thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

REFRAIN



Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!



Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see:



all I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.



Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Week's Sermon Passage

Matthew 6:9-15

Financials

2023 Total Giving: \$795,788

Upcoming Events

General:

- **Membership at GCPC:** If you are interested in becoming a member of GCPC, please make note of our next new member public reception date: **Sunday, April 7, 2024.** Please contact Sherrie Hamby (officegcpclf@gmail.com) before 3/24 to schedule a membership interview with our elders to be included.

Student Ministries of Grace (SMoG):

- **Fellowship Events:** We have two fellowship events this month. **Middle school** will have a games and pizza fellowship at the church on Saturday, 3/30 from 12:00-2:30. **High school** will have an Escape Room night on Friday evening, 3/29, time TBD. We will meet for dinner beforehand, for anyone who wants to join. Please sign up through the links sent out on FB and Remind if your student is planning to attend one of these events.
- **Youth Group Study:** We offer a study for our middle and high school students on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month (except the month of June) from 7:00-8:30pm here at the church. We enjoy fellowship, time in Scripture, and discuss select chapters from books pertaining to the particular Christian-living topics we are discussing that year.
- **Discipleship Groups:** We have intentional discipleship groups for both our middle and high school students. These groups

typically meet the 2nd Wednesdays of each month. Please reach out to Andrew Sarnicki (andrewgpcfw@gmail.com), if you're interested in having your student be a part of one of these groups.

Guys of Grace (GoG):

- **GoG Fellowship Nights:** These bi-monthly fellowship nights are meant as an informal time for our guys to get together and discuss/do the things that interest them—theological discussion, sports, fire pit, pipe smoking, etc. These events are BYOB (Beef, Brew), and we will have the grills running. Our next fellowship night will be **Friday, April 12th at 6:00pm** at the church.
- **Men's Group:** The Guys of Grace study meets the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Contact Sean Henry for more information: seanph10@yahoo.com.
- **Tuesday Morning Men's Prayer Meeting:** 6:15am every Tuesday in the Conference Room.

Ladies of Grace (LoG):

- **Ladies of Grace Spring Brunch:** Saturday, April 13 from 10 am - 12 pm in Westminster Hall. Come enjoy fellowship, food, music, and stories of God's faithfulness to sisters in Christ through different seasons of life. Sign up in the church foyer or on Facebook by Sunday, April 7.
- **Ladies' Prayer Meeting:** Thursdays at 10:00am and 3:30pm on the second Sunday of every month. Please contact Robbi Parker for Zoom link: oarsinsailsup@gmail.com.
- **Ladies Spring/Summer Bible Study:** Our next study will be "Knowing Christ: The "I AM" Sayings of Christ" on Ligonier Connect. Stay tuned for dates and sign-up information. Contact

Jen Smith for more information: jenswope@hotmail.com or 817-627-7655.

- **Questions?** LoG news and events are communicated via email, Remind, and our LoG Facebook page. If you aren't receiving updates, please contact Melissa Brown: 817-899-0369.

Missions of Grace (MoG)

- **Good Neighbor Team:** Interested in joining a Good Neighbor Team for ministry to a refugee family? Please contact Samantha Rohde with any questions: Samantha.rohde@gmail.com OR 480-399-5656) The March 2nd training is postponed. Look for our new training date soon!
- **Variety Show & Nacho Bar Dinner:** April 14, 5:30pm – We need all the variety of talents and abilities you have to make a fun night of fellowship! Contact Ann Geer 930-393-3524 with your entry.

————NOTES————

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