

# GRACE COMMUNITY

*Presbyterian Church, PCA*

## ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

August 11, 2024

10:30am

**Reflection:** “The Lord’s words to the apostles concerning the response to their ministry were not encouraging. They would be like sheep among wolves. It would be essential for them to be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves, that is, wise in avoiding danger but harmless in not forcibly opposing the enemy.”

*R. B. Zuck*

### Prelude

### Welcome

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### WORSHIP IN PRAISE

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### 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 5

**Minister:** In the morning, O Lord, you hear my voice; early in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation.

**People:** **You are not a God who takes pleasure in evil; with you the wicked cannot dwell. But I, by your great mercy, will come into your house; in reverence I will bow down toward you.**

**Hymn of Adoration.....***O Worship the King (#2)*



1.O wor - ship the King all - glo - rious a -  
 2.O tell of his might, O sing of his  
 3.The earth with its store of won - ders un -  
 -- 4.Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re -  
 5.Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as  
 6.O mea - sure - less Might! In - eff - a - ble



bove, O grate - ful - ly sing his pow'r and his  
 grace, whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py  
 told, Al - might - y, your pow'r has found - ed of  
 -- cite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the  
 frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to  
 Love! While an - gels de - light to hymn you a -



love; our shield and De - fen - der, the An - cient of  
 space. His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds  
 old; has 'stab - lished it fast by a change-less de -  
 -- light; it streams from the hills; it de - scends to the  
 fail; your mer - cies how ten - der, how firm to the  
 bove, the hum - bler cre - a - tion, though fee - ble their



Days, pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.  
 form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.  
 cree, and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
 -- plain; and sweet - ly dis - tils in the dew and the rain.  
 end, our Ma - ker, De - fen - der, Re - deem - er, and Friend!  
 lays, with true a - dor - a - tion shall lisp to your praise.

**Prayer of Adoration**

**Hymn of Preparation.....Psalm 88 (Tune: Abide with Me)**



1.O Lord, the God of my sal - va - tion tried,  
2.My soul is full of anx - ious cares and gloom;  
3.As one cast off a - mong the dead am I;  
4.O Lord, I've dail - y called u - pon thy name,



all day and night be - fore thee I have cried.  
my wear - y life draws nigh the si - lent tomb.  
I'm like the pierced ones in the grave that lie,  
spread forth my hands thy gra - cious help to claim.



O let my prayer be - fore thy pres - ence rise;  
I count as those that to the pit de - scend;  
whom thou hast not re - mem - bered a - ny - more,  
Wilt thou thy won - ders make the dead to know?



in - cline thine ear to hear my plead - ing cries.  
I'm like the man whose strength is at an end.  
those cut off from thy hand where none re - store.  
And shall the dead a - rise thy praise to show?

—————**WORSHIP IN CONFESSION AND PARDON**—————

**Call to Confession.....Psalm 88**

O Lord, God of my salvation, I cry out day and night before you. Let my prayer come before you; incline your ear to my cry!

**Words of Comfort and Promise.....Psalm 89**

I will sing of the steadfast love of the Lord, forever;  
with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

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.

The beauty of this hymn is the strong Trinitarian impulse it has throughout. Each person of the Trinity is mentioned and praised, especially in the role each plays in our salvation; Rescuer, Comforter, Pursuer.

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

**Confession of Faith**.....*Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A 32 & 33*  
Ruling Elder, Phil Bassett

Elder:           What benefits do they that are effectually called partake of in this life?

**People:           They that are effectually called do in this life partake of justification, adoption, and sanctification, and the several benefits which in this life do either accompany or flow from them.**

Elder:           What is justification?

**People:           Justification is an act of God’s free grace, where he pardons all our sins, and accepts us as righteous in his sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us and receive by faith alone.**

**The First Reading of God’s Word**.....Psalm 119:41-48  
*p 513*

**The Second Reading of God’s Word**.....Matthew 10:16-33  
*p 815*

Reader: This is the Word of God.

**People: Amen!**

**Prayer of Consecration and Illumination**

Our optional **Children’s Lesson** for children 4 years old through 1<sup>st</sup> grade **will be begin to be offered again on Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>**. However, we are needing new volunteers to help teach our little ones. If you would like us to continue offering this ministry, please consider volunteering to serve. Please contact Renee Seiver or any of the women who have taught the Children’s Lesson these last many years.

**Hymn of Response.....***Father of Mercies, in Your Word (#144)*



1. Fa-ther of mer-cies, in your Word what end-less glo-ry shines;  
2. Di-vine In-struc-tor, gra-cious Lord, O be for-ev-er near;



for - ev-er be your name a - dored for these ce - les - tial lines.  
teach me to love your sa - cred Word, and view my Sav - ior there.

**Hearing from God's Word.....**Matthew 10:16-33

Rev. Kyle Oliphint

*Assured Persecution and Eternal Preservation*

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

“Redeeming love and retributive justice joined hands, so to speak, at Calvary, for there God showed Himself to be ‘just, and the justifier of him who hath faith in Jesus’. Do you understand this? If you do, you are now seeing to the very heart of the Christian gospel. No version of that message goes deeper than that which declares man’s root problem before God to be his sin, which evokes wrath, and God’s basic provision for man to be propitiation, which out of wrath brings peace.”

*J.I. Packer*

**“When God poured out his justice on Christ, he was not only destroying his Son, but destroying the barrier between himself and us. How amazing! The more God vented his holiness on Jesus, the more he was venting his love for us. On the cross, the holiness and love of God, otherwise in tension, were in complete, brilliant cooperation. The more his holiness expressed itself, the more his love was satisfied; the more his love expressed itself, the more his holiness was satisfied.”**

*Tim Keller*

“There is nothing in us or done by us, at any stage of our earthly development, because of which we are acceptable to God. We must always be accepted for Christ’s sake, or we cannot ever be accepted at all.”

*B.B. Warfield*

# Communion Hymns

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## Jesus Paid It All (#308) – *Elvina Hall/John Grape*

1. I hear the Savior say,  
“Your strength indeed is small;  
Child of weakness, watch and pray,  
Find in Me your all in all.”

*Refrain:*

*Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;  
Sin had left a crimson stain,  
He washed it white as snow.*

2. Lord, now indeed I find  
Your power and yours alone,

Can change the leper’s spots  
And melt the heart of stone. *Refrain*

3. For nothing good have I  
Whereby your grace to claim  
I’ll wash my garments white  
In the blood of Calvary’s Lamb. *Refrain*

4. And when before the throne  
I stand in Him complete,  
“Jesus died my soul to save,”  
My lips shall still repeat. *Refrain*

## Beautiful Savior – *Stuart Townend*

1. All my days I will sing this song of  
gladness, Give my praise to the Fountain  
of delights; For in my helplessness You  
heard my cry, And waves of mercy  
poured down on my life.

*Refrain:*

*Beautiful Savior, Wonderful Counselor,  
Clothed in majesty, Lord of history,  
You're the Way, the Truth, the Life.  
Star of the Morning, glorious in  
holiness, You're the Risen One, heaven's  
Champion And You reign, You reign  
over all.*

2. I will trust in the cross of my  
Redeemer, I will sing of the blood that  
never fails; Of sins forgiven, of  
conscience cleansed, Of death defeated  
and life without end.

*Refrain*

3. I long to be where the praise is never-  
ending, Yearn to dwell where the glory  
never fades; Where countless  
worshippers will share one song, And  
cries of 'worthy' will honor the Lamb.  
*Refrain*

## Greater Than Our Hearts – *Charles Wesley/Matthew Smith*

*Chorus:*

*You who are greater than our hearts,  
Come make your faithful mercies known,  
The mind of Christ to us impart.  
Your constant mind in us be shown.*

1. O let us by your cross abide,  
You, only you, resolved to know.  
The Lamb for sinners crucified,  
A world to save from endless woe.  
*Refrain*

2. Take us into your people's rest,  
And we from our own works shall cease.  
With your meek Spirit arm our breast,  
And keep our minds in perfect peace.  
*Chorus*

3. Jesus, for this we calmly wait,  
O let our eyes behold you near.  
Hurry to make our heaven complete,  
Appear, our glorious God, appear.  
*Refrain*

—————**WORSHIP IN GRATITUDE**—————

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

**Offertory**.....*Blessed Assurance*

*Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.*

*Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
visions of rapture now burst on my sight.  
Angels descending bring from above  
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.*

*This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long.*

*Perfect submission, all is at rest.  
I in my Savior am happy and blessed,  
watching and waiting, looking above,  
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.*

**Closing Hymn**.....*We Will Feast in the House of Zion*

CHORUS



We will feast in the house of Zi - on. We will sing with our



hearts re - stored. He has done great things, we will say to-geth-er.



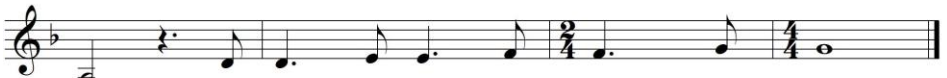
We will feast and weep no more.



1. We will not be burned by the fire. He
2. In the dark of night be-fore the dawn, my
3. Ev-'ry vow we've bro - ken and be-trayed. You



is the Lord our God. We are not con - sumed by the  
soul, be not a - fraid, for the prom - ised morn - ing, O how  
are the faith - ful One, and from the gar - den to the



flood. Up - held, pro - tect - ed, ga - thered up.  
long. O God of Ja - cob, be my strength.  
grave, bind us to - geth - er, bring sha - lom.

**Benediction**



## Next Week's Sermon Passage

Matthew 10:34-42

## Financials

First Six Months of 2024: \$419,056

(Our Treasurer will be gone for a few weeks. Your contributions to GCPC will be deposited upon his return.)

## Upcoming Events

- **Summer Hang-Out: Wednesday, August 28th**, from 6:30-8:30 at GCPC. SMOG families and anyone else are invited. Bring your dinner or eat before. Bring games to play. There will be sports equipment and popsicles.
- **Christian Education** for all ages begins in **two weeks**, Sunday, **August 25<sup>th</sup>**. The Adult SS Class will be studying the book of Job.

## **Guys of Grace Fellowship Night (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, August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm** at the church.
- **Men's Group:** The Guys of Grace study is currently on Summer Break. 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' Fall Bible Study:** We will read *Gentle and Lowly: The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers* by Dane Ortlund and work through the study guide. The study guide is \$6. If your family did not receive a copy of *Gentle and Lowly* from the church in 2021, please contact Jen Smith for a copy.  
**Tuesday morning in-person** (with childcare): September 10 - November 12  
**Thursday evening Zoom:** September 12 - November 14  
**You can sign up this morning in the church foyer.**
- **Ladies' Prayer Meeting:** Thursdays at 10:00am Please contact Robbi Parker for Zoom link: oarsinsailsup@gmail.com.

## **Missions of Grace (MoG):**

- **A Summer of Missions** - Join us this summer and take 15 minutes at home during your normal Sunday School hour to learn more about missions. You choose your book, magazine, podcast, etc. MoG has a list of suggestions on their Facebook page. Let's learn more about the spread of the Gospel together!
- What would happen if GCPC committed to send 1% of its church members to the mission field? How many global communities could be renewed by the transformative power of the Gospel? How many unreached people groups would hear the Gospel? How many new churches would be birthed, or how many struggling churches could be better supported? This is the heartbeat of MTW (Mission to the World- PCA) for our denomination in the next few years. Will you pray during the month of July that GCPC and all PCA churches would raise up an additional 1% of their church members to serve in missions.

## Student Ministries of Grace (SMoG):

- **All Events Listed:** Please see SMoG page on our website: <https://gcpcfw.org/resources/student-ministries-of-grace/> for a full calendar of events for SMoG through December 2024.
- **SMoG Fall Ministry is underway!** We meet this **Wednesday night, August 14<sup>th</sup>**!
- **Save the Date:** Service Project, **August 24<sup>th</sup>** from 9a-12p. Our students will be serving members of our congregation on this Saturday morning.
- **Serving in SMoG:** Would you like to serve the students in our church through SMoG? If so, please let us know by sending an email to [smoggcpcfw@gmail.com](mailto:smoggcpcfw@gmail.com)

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