

GRACE COMMUNITY

Presbyterian Church, PCA

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

September 15, 2024

10:30am

Reflection: “Unbelievers may have scant interest in Jesus until God bruises them in order to awaken them to their spiritual needs and push them to a quest that may lead them to faith. When God bruises a man or a woman, the gospel ceases to be a story and becomes life.” *Dan Doriani*

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 92*

Minister: It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name,
O most high.

People: **For you make me glad by your deeds, O Lord; I sing for
joy at the works of your hands.**

Minister: How great are your works, O Lord, how profound your
thoughts!

People: **You, O Lord, are exalted forever.**

Hymn of Adoration.....*Let All Things Now Living (#125)*



1.Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2.His law he en - forc-es: the stars in their cours-es, the



God the Cre - a - tor tri - um-hant-ly raise, who fash-ioned and
sun in its or-bit, o - be-dient-ly shine; the hills and the



made us, pro - tect-ed and stayed us, who guides us and
moun-tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the deeps of the



leads to the end of our days. His ban - ners are o'er us, his
o - cean pro - claim him di - vine. We too should be voic-ing our



light goes be - fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin-ing forth in the
love and re - joic-ing, with glad ad - o - ra-tions a song let us



night, 'til shad - ows have van-ish-ed and dark - ness is
raise, 'til all things now liv - ing a song of thanks -



ban-ish-ed, as for-ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
giv - ing to God in the high-est, ho - san-na and praise!

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Preparation.....I Run to Christ



1.I run to Christ when chased by fear and find a ref-uge
2.I run to Christ when worn by life and find my soul re -
3.I run to Christ when stalked by sin and find a sure es -



sure. "Be - lieve in me," his voice I hear; his
fleshed. "Come un - to me," he calls through strife; fa -
cape. "De - liv - er me," I cry to him; temp -



words and wounds se - cure. I run to Christ when
tigue give way to rest. I run to Christ when
ta - tion yields to grace. I run to Christ when



torn by grief and find a - bun - dant peace. "I
vexed by hell and find a might - y arm. "The
plagued by shame and find my one de - fense. "I



too had tears," he gen - tly speaks; thus joy and sor-row meet.
Dev - il flees," the Scrip - tures tell; he roars, but can-not harm.
bore God's wrath," he pleads my case, my Ad - vo-cate and Friend.

— WORSHIP IN CONFESSION AND PARDON —

Call to Confession.....Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

Words of Comfort and Promise..... Psalm 130

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

Hymn of Response.....*There is a Fountain (#253)*



1. There is a foun - tain filled with blood, drawn
 2. The dy - ing thief re - joiced to see that
 3. E'er since by faith I saw the stream your
 4. Then in a no - bler, sweet - er song I'll
 5. Dear dy - ing Lamb, your pre - cious blood shall



from Im - man - uel's veins; and sin - ners, plunged be -
 foun - tain in his day; and there have I, as
 flow - ing wounds sup - ply, re - deem - ing love has
 sing your pow'r to save, when this poor lisp - ing,
 ne - ver lose its pow'r, till all the ran - somed



neath that flood, lose all their guilt - y stains: lose
 vile as he, washed all my sins a - way: washed
 been my theme, and shall be till I die: and
 stam - m'ring tongue lies si - lent in the grave: lies
 church of God be saved to sin no more: be



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 all my sins a - way, washed all my sins a -
 shall be till I die, and shall be till I
 si - lent in the grave, lies si - lent in the
 saved to sin no more, be saved to sin no



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

Confession of Faith.....*Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A 41-42*
Ruling Elder, Brian Nelson

Elder: Where is the moral law summarily comprehended?

People: The moral law is summarily comprehended in the ten commandments.

Elder: What is the sum of the ten commandments?

People: The sum of the ten commandments is, To love the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our strength and with all our mind; and our neighbor as ourselves.

The First Reading of God’s Word.....Isaiah 42:1-4
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The Second Reading of God’s Word.....Matthew 12:15-21
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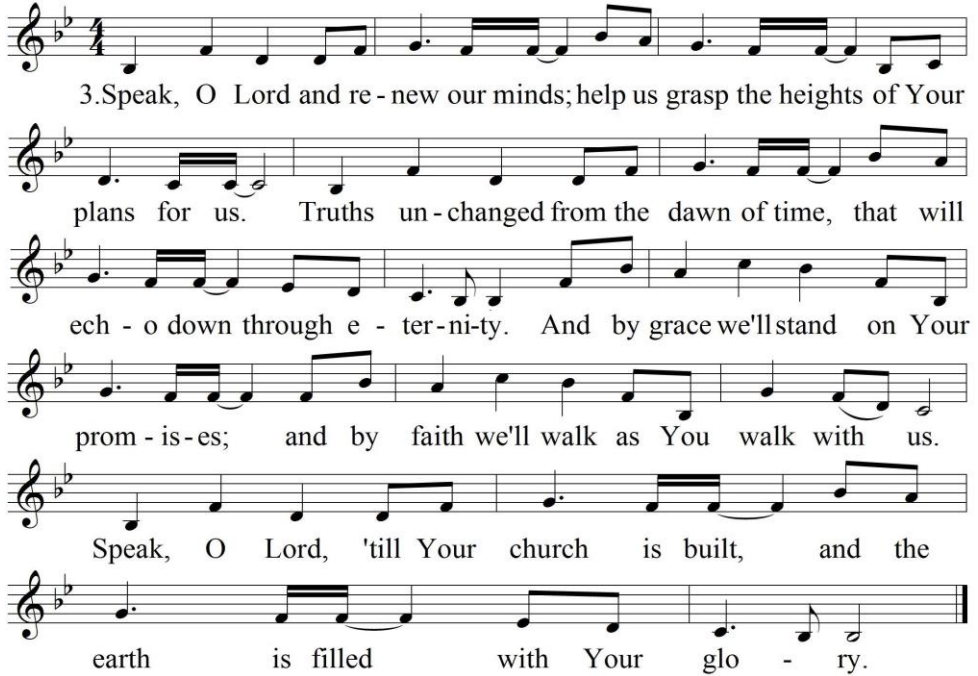
Reader: This is the Word of God.

People: Amen!

Prayer of Consecration and Illumination

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.....*Speak, O Lord*



3. Speak, O Lord and re - new our minds; help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us. Truths un - changed from the dawn of time, that will ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by grace we'll stand on Your prom - is - es; and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us. Speak, O Lord, 'till Your church is built, and the earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

Hearing from God's Word.....Matthew 12:15-21

Rev. Kyle Oliphint

To Make Him Known

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

“The man who has faith is the man who is no longer looking at himself, and no longer looking to himself. He no longer looks at anything he once was. He does not look at what he is now. He does not [even] look at what he hopes to be as the result of his own efforts. He looks entirely to the Lord Jesus Christ and His finished work, and he rests on that alone. He has ceased to say, ‘Ah yes, I have committed terrible sins but I have done this and that...’ He stops saying that. If he goes on saying that, he has not got faith... Faith speaks in an entirely different manner and makes a man say, ‘Yes, I have sinned grievously, I have lived a life of sin... yet I know that I am a child of God because I am not resting on any righteousness of my own; my righteousness is in Jesus Christ, and God has put that to my account.’”

Martin Lloyd-Jones

Communion Hymns

He Leadeth Me (#600) – Joseph Gilmore/William Bradbury

1. He Leadeth me! O blessed thought,
O words with heav'nly comfort fraught;
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

*Chorus: He leadeth me! He leadeth me!
By His own hand He leadeth me;
His faithful follower I would be,
For by His hand He leadeth me.*

2. Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest
gloom, Sometimes where Eden's bowers
bloom, By waters calm, o'er troubled
sea, Still 'tis His hand that leadeth me.

Chorus

3. Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine,
Nor ever murmur or repine;
Content, whatever lot I see,
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

Chorus

4. And when my task on earth is done,
When, by Thy grace, the vict'ry's won,
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
Since God through Jordan leadeth me.

Chorus

Living Waters –Kristyn Getty/Ed Cash

1. Are you thirsty? Are you empty?
Come and drink these living waters.
Tired and broken, peace unspoken
Rest beside these living waters.

2. Christ is calling. Find refreshing
At the cross of living waters.
Lay your life down, all the old gone
Rise up in these living waters.

*Chorus: There's a river that flows
With mercy and love
Bringing joy to the city of our God.
There our hope is secure.*

*Do not fear anymore.
Praise the Lord of living waters.*

3. Spirit moving, mercy washing,
Healing in these living waters.
Lead your children to the shore line.
Life is in these living waters.

Chorus

4. Are you thirsty? Are you empty?
Come and drink these living waters.
Love, forgiveness, vast and boundless,
Christ, He is our living waters.

Chorus

Cling to the Crucified –Horatius Bonar/Kevin Twit

1. Cling to the Mighty One,
Cling in thy grief,
Cling to the Holy One, He gives relief.
Cling to the Gracious One, Cling in thy pain
Cling to the Faithful One, He will sustain.

*Chorus: Cling to the crucified,
Jesus the Lamb who died.
Cling to the crucified, Jesus the King.*

2. Cling to the Living One, Cling in thy woe
Cling to the Loving One, Through all below

Cling to the Pardoning One,
He speaketh peace.
Cling to the Healing One,
Anguish will cease. *Chorus*

3. Cling to the Bleeding One,
Cling to His side,
Cling to the Rising One, In Him abide.
Cling to the Coming One, Hope shall arise.
Cling to the Reigning One,
Joy lights thine eyes. *Chorus*

—————**WORSHIP IN GRATITUDE**—————

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

Offertory.....*Day by Day*

Closing Hymn.....*To God Be the Glory (#55)*



1. To God be the glo - ry, great things he has
2. O per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of
3. Great things he has taught us, great things he has



done! So loved he the world that he gave us his
blood! To ev - 'ry be - liev - er the prom - ise of
done, and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the



Son, who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin, and
God; the vil - est of - fen - der who tru - ly be - lieves, that
Son; but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be our



o - pened the life - gate that we may go in.
mo - ment from Je - sus for - give - ness re - ceives.
won - der; our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

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Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the



Lord, praise the Lord, let the peo - ple re - joice! O



come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son, and



give him the glo - ry, great things he has done!

Benediction

Next Week's Sermon Passage

Matthew 12:22-32

Financials

First Six Months of 2024: \$419,056

Upcoming Events

- **Christian Education** for all ages continues for the semester every Sunday morning at **9:30**. The Adult SS Class is studying the book of Job this year.
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- **Membership at GCPC:** If you are interested in becoming a member of GCPC, please make note of the next member public reception date: **Sunday, October 6, 2024**. The public reception date following October will be **April 6th, 2025**. Please contact Sherrie Hamby (officegcpcfw@gmail.com) to schedule a membership interview with our elders.

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 **Friday, October 25th at 6:00pm** at the church.
- **Men's Group:** The Guys of Grace study will be meeting the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays each month. They will meet **this Wednesday, September 18 at 7pm**. The guys are studying the books Esther and Ruth this year and will be meeting in the conference room. Please contact Sean Henry for more information: seanph10@yahoo.com.

- **Tuesday Morning Men's Prayer Meeting:** 6:15am every Tuesday in the Conference Room.

Greystone at Grace:

- This semester Jared Brown is offering a **free course on the theology of Paul**. They meet at GCPC on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 7 PM to 8:30 PM. The next class will be **Wednesday, September 25**. It is not too late to join! Please contact Jared to sign up for the course: j.brown@greystoneinstitute.org or (817) 965-2550.

Ladies of Grace (LoG):

- **Ladies' Fall Bible Study:** We are reading *Gentle and Lowly: The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers* by Dane Ortlund and working through the study guide. Please contact Jen Smith with questions.
Tuesday morning in-person (with childcare): September 10 - November 12
Thursday evening Zoom: September 12 - November 14
- **Ladies of Grace Fall Retreat:** Come and hear teaching from Susan Tyner, enjoy fellowship with your sisters in Christ, eat delicious food, participate in a service project partnering with Missions of Grace and World Relief, and enter or help judge our annual dessert contest on **Friday, September 27 (evening)** and **Saturday, September 28** at GCPC. Sign up by **Sunday, September 22 via online registration** (QR code in foyer). If you are unable to attend the retreat, but would still like to participate in the service project (welcome kits for refugee families), please use the registration QR code to find the signup genius link with items needed, and place them in the labeled bin in the foyer by **Sunday, September 22**.
- **Ladies' Prayer Meeting:** Thursdays at 10:00am Please contact Robbi Parker for Zoom link: oarsinsailsup@gmail.com.

Missions of Grace (MoG):

- 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 well underway!** We meet this **Wednesday night, September 18th.**

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