

# GRACE COMMUNITY

*Presbyterian Church, PCA*

**ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

**September 22, 2024**

**10:30am**

**Reflection:** “Jesus explains that the events of Matthew 12 are spiritual warfare. By defaming Jesus, the Son of David and Warrior of God, the Pharisees reveal that *they* are the allies of Satan.” *Ian Duguid*

## **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 95 and 96*

**Minister:** O come, let us worship and bow down. Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker.

**People:** **For He is the Lord, our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of his hand.**

**Minister:** O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; Let the whole earth stand in awe of Him.

**People:** **For He comes to the judge the world; He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in His truth.**

## **Prayer of Invocation**

Hymn of Adoration.....Crown Him with Many Crowns (#295)



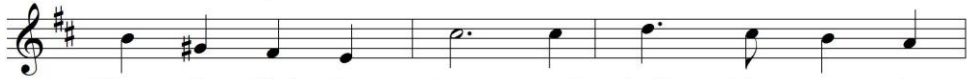
1.Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his  
2.Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and  
3.Crown him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scep - ter  
4.Crown him the Lord of years, the Po - ten - tate of



throne; hark! how the heav'n - ly an - them drowns all  
side, rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in  
sways from pole to pole that wars may cease, ab -  
time; Cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres in -



mu - sic but its own: a - wake, my soul, and sing of  
beau - ty glo - ri - fied: no an - gel in the sky can  
sorbed in prayer and praise: his reign shall know no end; and  
ef - fa - bly sub - lime: all hail, Re - deem - er, hail! for



him who died for thee, and hail him as thy  
ful - ly bear that sight, but down - ward bends his  
round his pier - ced feet fair flow'rs of par - a -  
thou hast died for me: thy praise shall nev - er,



match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.  
dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.  
nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

These crowns with which Jesus should be crowned signify honor, power, and dominion. For the King of Kings, a single crown could never suffice to represent His infinite glory and authority. And so we "*Crown Him with Many Crowns*" as we lift our voices to praise the One exalted high above all others.

"*Potentate of time*" means that Jesus is the King over all of time, the passing of seconds, minutes, years and millennia.

"*Ineffably sublime*" that something is so majestic, so beautiful, so awe-inspiring we are incapable of finding the words to express or describe it.

**Hymn of Preparation.....I Need Thee Every Hour (#674)**



1.I need thee ev - 'ry hour, most gra - cious Lord;  
2.I need thee ev - 'ry hour; stay thou near - by;  
3.I need thee ev - 'ry hour, in joy or pain;  
4.I need thee ev - 'ry hour; teach me thy will,  
5.I need thee ev - 'ry hour, Most Ho - ly One;



no ten - der voice like thine can peace af - ford.  
temp - ta - tions lose their pow'r when thou art nigh.  
come quick - ly, and a - bide, or life is vain.  
and thy rich prom - is - es in me ful - fill.  
O make me thine in - deed, thou bless - ed Son.

**REFRAIN**



I need thee, O I need thee, ev - 'ry hour I need thee;



O bless me now, my Sav - ior, I come to thee.

**—WORSHIP IN CONFESSION AND PARDON—**

**Call to Confession**

**Words of Comfort and Promise..... Galatians 4**

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

**Hymn of Response.....Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus (#481)**



1.O soul, are you wea-ry and trou-bled? No light in the  
2.Through death in - to life ev - er - last - ing he passed, and we  
3.His Word shall not fail you, he prom-ised; be - lieve him and



dark-ness you see? There's light for a look at the  
fol - low him there; ov - er us sin no more hath do -  
all will be well; then go to a world that is



Sav - ior, and life more a - bun - dant and free!  
min - ion for more than con-qu'rors we are!  
dy - ing, his per - fect sal - va - tion to tell!

REFRAIN



Turn your eyes up-on Je - sus, look full in his won-der-ful



face; and the things of earth will grow strange-ly



dim in the light of his glo - ry and grace.

Helen Lemmel wrote this hymn in 1922. She emigrated from England with her family to America when she was 12 years old. They first settled in Mississippi, then relocated to Wisconsin. She moved to Seattle in 1904, and for three years was music critic for the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*. While interviewing German singer Ernestine Schumann-Heink, Helen was persuaded to go to Europe. A gifted singer, she studied music in Germany for four years. Upon her return to America, she began giving concerts and traveling on the Chautauqua circuit. Eventually, she became a vocal music teacher at the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, Illinois. After retirement, she moved to Seattle, Washington, where she was a member of the Ballard Baptist Church. Among her works are a hymnal used by evangelist Billy Sunday for over a decade. Lemmel and a women's choral group she directed were part of Sunday's group at the peak of his career. She died in 1961.

**Confession of Faith**.....*Nicene Creed*  
Teaching Elder, Kyle Oliphint

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
Of all things visible and invisible.  
And In one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
Begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
Very God of very God,  
Begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
By Whom all things were made;  
Who for us and our salvation  
Came down from heaven,  
And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,  
And was made man;  
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered and was buried;  
And on the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
And ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the  
Father;  
And He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the  
dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.  
And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;  
Who spoke by the prophets;  
And we believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic church;  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins;  
And we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
And the life of the world to come. Amen.**

\*"holy catholic church" = the whole Christian church

The First Reading of God's Word.....Isaiah 42:13- 43:12  
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The Second Reading of God's Word.....Matthew 12:22-32  
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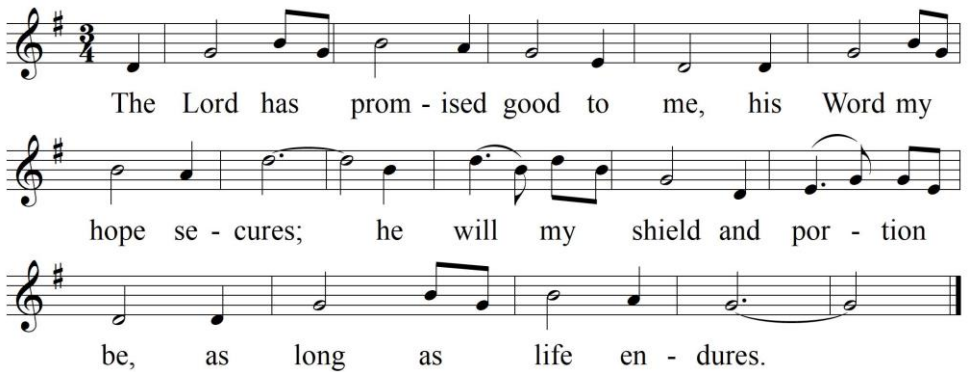
Reader: This is the Word of God.

People: Amen!

### Prayer of Consecration and Illumination

We offer an optional **Children's Lesson** for children 4 years old through 1<sup>st</sup> 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.....*Amazing Grace* (vs 4)



The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his Word my  
hope se - cures; he will my shield and por - tion  
be, as long as life en - dures.

Hearing from God's Word.....Matthew 12:22-32  
Rev. Kyle Oliphint *Who is Serving Satan?*

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

**“The hearing of the gospel involves the hearer in responsibility. It is a great privilege to hear the gospel. You may smile and think there is nothing very great in it. The damned in hell know. Oh, what would they give if they could hear the gospel now? If they could come back and entertain but the shadow of a hope that they might escape from the wrath to come? The saved in heaven estimate this privilege at a high rate, for, having obtained salvation through the preaching of this gospel, they can never cease to bless their God for calling them by his word of truth. O that you knew it! On your dying beds the listening to a gospel sermon will seem another thing than it seems now.”**

*Charles Spurgeon*

# Communion Hymns

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## **Bread of the World in Mercy Broken (#425) – Reginald Heber/John S. B. Hodges**

1. Bread of the world in mercy broken,  
Wine of the soul in mercy shed,  
By whom the words of life were  
spoken,  
And in whose death our sins are dead.
2. Look on the heart by sorrow broken,  
Look on the tears by sinners shed;  
And be thy feast to us the token  
That by thy grace our souls are fed.

## **Begone Unbelief – John Newton/Kevin Twit**

1. Begone unbelief, My Savior is near,  
And for my relief will surely appear:  
By faith let me wrestle, with God in the  
storm, and help me my Savior, the faith  
to adorn, and help me my Savior, the  
faith to adorn.  
  
2. Though dark be my way, Since he is  
my guide, 'tis mine to obey, and His to  
provide; though cisterns be broken, and  
creatures all fail, the word he has spoken  
will surely prevail, the word he has  
spoken will surely prevail.  
  
*Refrain:*  
*Begone unbelief, The Savior is here (3x)*  
*Though cisterns be broken*  
*and creatures all fail,*
- the word he has spoken will surely*  
*prevail, the word he has spoken will*  
*surely prevail.*
3. Why should I complain, of want or  
distress, temptation or pain? He told me  
no less the heirs of salvation, I know  
from his word, through much tribulation  
must follow their Lord, through much  
tribulation must follow their Lord.
4. Since all that I meet will work for my  
good, the bitter is sweet, the medicine  
food; though painful at present, will  
cease before long, and then, O! how  
glorious,  
the conqueror's song, and then, O! how  
glorious, the conqueror's song. *Refrain*

## **My God, My Father Blissful Name – Anne Steele/Justin Smith**

1. My God, my Father, blissful Name!  
O may I call Thee mine?  
May I, with sweet assurance, claim,  
A portion so divine?  
This only can my fears control,  
And bid my sorrows fly:  
What harm can ever reach my soul,  
Beneath my Father's eye?
2. Whate'er Thy providence denies,  
I calmly would resign;  
For Thou art just, and good, and wise,  
O bend my will to Thine.
- Whate'er Thy sacred will ordains,  
O give me strength to bear;  
And let me know my Father reigns,  
And trust His tender care.
3. If pain and sickness rend this frame,  
And life almost depart,  
Is not Thy mercy still the same,  
To cheer my drooping heart?  
If cares and sorrows me surround,  
Their power why should I fear?  
My inward peace they cannot wound  
If Thou, my God, art near.

## WORSHIP IN GRATITUDE

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

### Offertory.....*Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power*

*Blessing and honor and glory and pow'r,  
Wisdom and riches and strength evermore  
Give ye to him who our battle hath won,  
Whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the  
throne.*

*Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb;  
Take we the robe and the harp and the palm;  
Sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,  
Dying in weakness, but rising to reign.*

### Closing Hymn.....*My Worth is Not in What I Own*



1. My worth is not in what I own; not
2. My worth is not in skill or name; in
3. As sum - mer flow'rs we fade and die; fame,
4. I will not boast in wealth or might, or
5. Two won - ders here that I con - fess; my



in the strength of flesh and bone. But  
win or lose, in pride or shame. But  
youth and beau - ty hur - ry by. But  
hu - man wis - dom's fleet - ing light. But  
worth and my un - wor - thi - ness. My



in the cost - ly wounds of love at the cross. 2.My  
in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.  
life e - ter - nal calls to us at the cross. 4.I  
I will boast in know - ing Christ at the cross.  
val - ue fixed, my ran - som paid at the cross.

#### CHORUS



I re-joyce in my Re-deem-er. Great-est trea-sure, well-spring of my soul.



I will trust in Him, no oth-er; my soul is sat-is-fied in him a - lone.

### Benediction



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Next Week's Sermon Passage

Hebrews 11:32-40

### 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.
- **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 6<sup>th</sup>, 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 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm** at the church.
- **Men's Group:** The Guys of Grace study will be meeting the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays each month. They will meet again **Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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 and fun 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 (morning)** at GCPC. **TODAY** is the last day to sign up! See QR code in the foyer for online registration link.
- **Ladies' Prayer Meeting:** Thursdays at 10:00am Please contact Robbi Parker for Zoom link: [oarsinsailsup@gmail.com](mailto: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! Fellowship this Wednesday, September 25 at the church building and property.** Everyone is invited!

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