

GRACE COMMUNITY

Presbyterian Church, PCA

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

March 2, 2025

10:30am

Reflection:

“Isaiah 66 envisions a remarkable mission to the nations that goes beyond anything previously conceived in Israel. God will send survivors to far-off lands to declare his glory, and even more remarkably, will take priests from among the Gentiles.”

J. Alec Motyer

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 Isaiah 66*

Minister: For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make shall remain before me, says the Lord, so shall your offspring and your name remain.

People: **From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the Lord.**

Hymn of Adoration.....*Jesus Shall Reign (#441)*



1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun
2. To him shall end - less prayer be made,
3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue
4. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns;
5. Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring



does his suc - ces - sive jour - neys run;
and prais - es throng to crown his head;
dwell on his love with sweet - est song;
the pris - 'ner leaps to lose his chains,
pe - cu - liar hon - ors to our King;



his king - dom stretch from shore to shore,
his name, like sweet per - fume shall rise
and in - fant voic - es shall pro - claim
the wea - ry find e - ter - nal rest,
an - gels de - scend with songs a - gain,



till moons shall wax and wane no more.
with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
and all the sons of want are blest.
and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Preparation.....Christ for the World We Sing (#447)



1.Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we
2.Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we
3.Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we
4.Christ for the world we sing; the world to Christ we



bring with lov - ing zeal; the poor and
bring with fer - vent pray'r, the way - ward
bring with one ac - cord; with us the
bring with joy - ful song; the new - born



them that mourn, the faint and o - ver - borne,
and the lost, by rest - less pas - sions tossed,
work to share, with us re - proach to dare,
souls whose days, re - claimed from er - ror's ways,



sin - sick and sor - row worn, whom Christ doth heal.
re - deemed at count - less cost from dark de - spair.
with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.
in - spired with hope and praise, to Christ be - long.

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

Call to Confession

Words of Comfort and Promise.....Psalm 67

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,
that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all
nations. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Hymn of Response.....*May the Peoples Praise You*



1.You have called us out of dark - est night, in -
 (2.May our) ev - 'ry breath re - tell the grace that
 (3.All the) earth is yours and all with - in, each
 (4.May the) seeds of mer - cy grown in us for
 (5.This our) ho - ly priv - 'lege to de - clare your

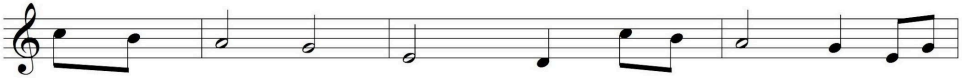


to your glo - rious light, that we may sing the
 broke in - to our strife with bound - less love and
 har - vest is your own, and from your hand we
 those who have not heard, may songs of praise build
 prais - es and your Name to ev - 'ry na - tion,



won - ders of the ris - en Christ. 2.May our
 deep - est joy, with end - less life.
 give to you, to make Christ known. 4.May the
 lives of grace to spread your Word.
 tribe, and tongue your church pro - - - claim.

REFRAIN



May the peo - ples praise you, let the na - tions be



glad! All your bless - ing comes that we may praise, may



praise the Name of Je - sus.

Confession of Faith.....*Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 4&5*
Ruling Elder Sean Henry

Elder: What does the Law of God require of us?

People: Christ teaches us this in summary in Matthew 22: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Elder: Can you live up to this perfectly?

People: No. I have a natural tendency to hate God and my neighbor.

The First Reading of God’s Word.....Matthew 6:25-33
pp 811-812

The Second Reading of God’s Word.....Isaiah 66:16-24
p 626

Reader: This is the Word of God.

People: Amen!

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.

Prayer of Consecration and Illumination

Hymn of Response and Preparation.....*Speak, O Lord*

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You, to re-ceive the food of Your
Ho - ly Word. Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and
fash-ion us in Your like - ness; That the light of Christ might be
seen to-day in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill in us all Your
pur - pos - es for Your glo - ry.

The musical score is written on six staves in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Hearing from God's Word..... Isaiah 66:16-24
Rev. Jamie Burkemper *The Mission of God*
MTW Missionary—Madrid Spain

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER Please see
instructions on the inside back cover of your bulletin.

Communion Hymns

Let Me Find Thee – Joachim Neander/Matthew Smith

1. Behold me here, in grief draw near,
Pleading at Thy throne oh King.
To Thee each tear, each trembling fear,
Jesus Son of Man I bring.
Let me find Thee, (3x)
Lord of mercy King of grace.

Thou hast bought me,
And thy purchase Lord am I.
Let me find Thee, (3x)
Here on earth and then on high.

2. Look down in love, and from above,
With Thy Spirit satisfy.
Thou hast sought me,

3. Hear the broken, scarcely spoken,
Longings of my heart to thee
All the crying, all the sighing,
Of Thy child accepted be.
Let me find Thee, (3x)
Wounded Healer, suffering Lord.

Speak, I Pray Thee, Gentle Jesus – William Williams/Kevin Twit

1. Speak, I pray Thee, gentle Jesus!
O, how passing sweet Thy words,
Breathing o'er my troubled spirit
Peace which never earth affords.
All the world's distracting voices,
All the tempting tones of ill,
At Thy voice, so mild, melodious
Are subdued, and all is still.

Banish all my dark misgivings,
Still my doubting, calm my fear.
In Thy righteousness I'll triumph,
In Thy wisdom I'll be wise,
In Thy robes I'm perfect beauty,
In Thy power I'll arise.

2. Tell me Thou art mine, O Savior,
Speak a true assurance clear,

I'll arise, in Thy power, I'll arise.
I'll arise, I'll arise,
In Thy power, I'll arise.
I'll arise, I'll arise,
In Thy power, I'll arise.

Jesus, Strong and Kind – Buchanan/Robinson/Farren/Thompson

1. Jesus said that if I thirst,
I should come to him.
No one else can satisfy,
I should come to him.

*He will keep us day and night
We can always run to Jesus
Jesus strong and kind.*

2. Jesus said If I am weak,
I should come to him.
No one else can be my strength.
I should come to him

3. Jesus said that if I fear,
I should come to him.
No one else can be my shield.
I should come to him. *Refrain*

Refrain:
For the Lord is good and faithful

4. Jesus said if I am lost,
He will come to me.
And he showed me on that cross,
He will come to me. *Refrain*

WORSHIP IN GRATITUDE

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

Offertory.....*We Rest on Thee*

Closing Hymn.....*We Go to All the World*



1. Fa - cing a task un - fin - ished, that drives us to our
2. Where oth - er lords be - side Thee hold their un - hin - dered
3. We bear the torch that, flam - ing, fell from the hands of
4. O Fa - ther who sus - tained them, O Spir - it who in -



knees. A need that, un - di - min - ished, re -
sway; where for - ces that de - fied Thee, de -
those who gave their life pro - claim - ing that
spired, Sav - ior, whose love con - strained them to



bukes our sloth - ful ease. We, who re - joice to
fy Thee still to - day. With none to heed their
Je - sus died and rose. Ours is the same com -
toil with zeal un - tired. From cow - ar - dice de -



know Thee, re - new be - fore Thy throne the
cry - ing for life, and love, and light, un -
mis - sion, the same glad mess - age ours; fired
fend us, from leth - ar - gy a - wake! Forth



so - lemn pledge we owe Thee to go and make Thee known.
num - bered souls are dy - ing and pass in - to the night.
by the same am - bi - tion, to Thee we yield our pow'rs.
on Thine er - rand send us to la - bor for Thy sake.

REFRAIN



We go to all the world, with king - dom hope un - furled. No



oth - er name has pow'r to save but Je - sus Christ the Lord.

Benediction

—————ANNOUNCEMENTS—————

Next Week's Sermon Passage

Matthew 18:1-14

Financials

Total giving for 2024: \$807,747

Upcoming Events

- **Fellowship Lunch today after Worship!**
Set-up/Clean-up Coordinator: Jessica Bell
Missions Spotlight in March: Ft. Worth Mission Trip (April 17-19)
 - **VBS 2025!** Mark your calendars **June 23-27**
 - **Membership at GCPC:** If you are interested in becoming a member of GCPC, please contact our Ministry Coordinator, Sherrie Hamby (officgpcfw@gmail.com). She will coordinate a meeting with the elders and those interested in becoming members of our church. We will publicly receive our newest members during our worship service on **Sunday, April 6th, 2025**. But those who meet with the elders and are received into membership will be full members from that point on. The public reception is for our congregation to see our newest members.
 - **Our newest members so far who will be publicly received April 6th, 2025:** Jess and Judy Alonso, Michael and Alexandra Amidon (Esther and Evelyn), Gabriel and Kathryn Ingram, Kelly Proffit, Kevin and Bonnie Saunders, Sam and Dorinda Wetselaar (Jeffery and Benjamin), Andrew White, Luke Wilkerson, Seth Wilkerson, Nora Fickle*, Mia Lutz*, Lilly Thacker*
- *Children becoming communing members (coming to the Lord's Table for the first time)
- **Pastoral Search Committee Update:** Thank you for your prayers over our search for the man God has planned to serve alongside Kyle at GCPC! Over the last few months we have received applications for the position and are now arranging to interview candidates. Please continue to pray that the Lord would give us wisdom and unity. Please also pray for the candidates as they seek to discern God's calling for their lives and ministry. The members of the committee are: Phil and Christine Bassett, Dan Bent, Rhett Bentson, Bethany Brooks, Jerry Hames, Sean Henry, Bob James, Ryan Lutz

and Kathy Sheffield. Any of them will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Guys of Grace (GoG) (text @guysofgr to the number 81010 for periodic updates on all things GoG related)

- **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, **March 21st, 2025 at 6:00pm** at the church. Contact Jordan Sims for more information jorsim613@gmail.com.
- **Men's Group:** The Guys of Grace study will be meeting the **1st and 3rd Wednesdays each month**. They will meet **again this Wednesday, March 5th, at 7pm**. The guys have been studying the books Esther and Ruth this year and meet 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.

Ladies of Grace (LoG) (text @loggr to the number 81010 for periodic updates on all things LoG related)

- **Spring Brunch:** please save the date for a spring brunch for the ladies of Grace on **Saturday, April 26** from 10 am to 12 pm in Westminster Hall. HS girls are also welcomed to attend. More details to come!
- **Ladies' Winter/Spring Bible Study:** Our new study has **begun**. They meet again **this Tuesday morning, March 4th, at 9:30**. The book is *What a Royal Mess: A Study of 1 and 2 Kings* by Susan Tyner (\$13).
Tuesday morning in-person (with childcare): January 21-April 1
Thursday evening Zoom: January 23 - April 3
- **Ladies' Prayer Meeting:** Thursdays at 10:00am Please contact Robbi Parker for Zoom link: oarsinsailsup@gmail.com.

Missions of Grace (MoG)

- **Missions of Grace Spotlight for March 2025**

Opportunities for Mission Trips with GCPC

1. Local: Fort Worth refugees (April 17-19)

We will be connecting with refugee families in our city, playing games with the children, planting flowers to brighten their lives, engaging in Gospel conversations and praying with them. Contact Ann Geer (jageer2@yahoo.com; 940.393.3524) if interested.

2. Reynosa, Mexico (July 5-11)

We will be spending a week with Isaiah 55 to do practical projects for them and engage with the kids. Contact John Rohde (john.rohde63@gmail; 480.398.5538) if interested. More information to come.

Monthly Fellowship Lunch Today!

Please join us for lunch after worship. check your email, the LoG Facebook page, or look for a text from Remind to sign-up to help with set-up and/or clean-up for March 2nd. Thank you for your help with this ministry!

Student Ministries of Grace (SMoG) (text @smogrem to 81010 for periodic reminders of all things SMoG related)

- **All Events Listed:** Please see SMoG page on our website: <https://gcpcfw.org/resources/student-ministries-of-grace/> or scan the QR code for a full calendar of events for SMoG through May, 2025.



SMoG will meet this Wednesday night, March 5th.

- **Greystone at Grace:** Please join us this semester to discuss Abraham Kuyper's Lectures on Calvinism. We will meet every **2nd and 4th Wednesday** night in Calvin from February to April. If you would like to join us, please pick up a copy of the book and contact

Jared: Jrbrown50@yahoo.com or (817) 965-2550. We will meet from 7-8p pm All are welcome!

- Schedule:
3/12: Calvinism and Politics
3/26: Calvinism and Science
4/9: Calvinism and Art
4/23: Calvinism and the Future

NOTES

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