

GRACE COMMUNITY

Presbyterian Church, PCA

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

June 15, 2025

10:30am

Reflection: "The term 'growing in grace' is most often used to indicate growth in Christian character...a more accurate meaning is to continually grow in our understanding of God's grace, especially as it applies to us personally, to become progressively more aware of our own spiritual bankruptcy and the unmerited, unearned, and undeserved favor of God. May we all grow in grace in this sense."

Jerry Bridges

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.....*Psalm 95*

Minister: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

People: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

Hymn of Adoration.....Come, Christians, Join to Sing (#302)



1. Come, Christians, join to sing Al-le-lu-ia! A - men!
2. Come, lift your hearts on high, Al-le-lu-ia! A - men!
3. Praise yet our Christ a - gain, Al-le-lu-ia! A - men!



loud praise to Christ our King: Al-le-lu-ia! A - men!
 let prais - es fill the sky; Al-le-lu-ia! A - men!
 life shall not end the strain; Al-le-lu-ia! A - men!



let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re-joice;
 he is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll con - descend;
 on heav-en's bliss - ful shore, his good-ness we'll a - dore,



praise is his gra-cious choice. Al-le-lu-ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end. Al-le-lu-ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al-le-lu-ia! A - men!"

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Preparation.....*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
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 church of God be saved to sin no more: be



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 all my sins a - way, washed all my sins a -
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Call to Confession.....*1 Timothy 1*

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.

Words of Comfort and Promise.....*1 Timothy 1*

I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

Hymn of Response.....*His Mercy Is More*



1. What love could re - mem - ber no
2. What pa - tience would wait as we
3. What rich - es of kind - ness he



wrongs we have done? Om - ni - scient, all know - ing, he
con - stant - ly roam? What Fa - ther, so ten - der, is
lav - ished on us. His blood was the pay - ment; his



counts not the sum. Thrown in - to a sea with - out
call - ing us home? He wel - comes the weak - est, the
life was the cost. We stood 'neath a debt we could



bot - tom or shore, our sins, they are man - y; his mer - cy is more.
vil - est, the poor. Our sins, they are man - y; his mer - cy is more.
nev - er af - ford. Our sins, they are man - y; his mer - cy is more.

REFRAIN



Praise the Lord, his mer - cy is more.



Strong - er than dark - ness, new ev - 'ry morn. Our



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WORSHIP AND THE MEANS OF GRACE

Confession of Faith.....*Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 28&29*
Ruling Elder Andrew Caudal

Leader: How does the knowledge
of God's creation and providence help us?

People: **We can be patient when things go against us, thankful
when things go well, and for the future we can have
good confidence in our faithful God and Father
that nothing in creation will separate us from his love.
For all creatures are so completely in God's hand that
without his will they can neither move nor be moved.**

Leader: Why is the Son of God called "Jesus,"
meaning "savior"?

People: **Because he saves us from our sins, and because salvation
should not be sought and cannot be found in anyone else.**

The First Reading of God's Word.....1 John 1:1-2:6
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The Second Reading of God's Word.....Psalm 51:1-19
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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....*May the Mind of Christ My Savior*



1. May the mind of Christ my Sav-ior live in me from day to day,
2. May the Word of God dwell rich-ly in my heart from hour to hour,



by his love and pow'r con-trol - ling all I do and say.
so that all may see I tri-umph on - ly through his pow'r.

Hearing from God's Word.....Psalm 51:1-19

Rev. Dave Boxerman, Pastor Emeritus, Lakeside PCA
How To Be a Person After God's Own Heart

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

“What we see at the cross is the white-hot revelation of the character of God, of his love providing the price that holiness requires. The cross was his means of redeeming lost sinners and reconciling them to himself, but it was also a profound disclosure of his mercy. It is, in Paul’s words, an ‘inexpressible gift’ that leads us to wonder and worship, to praise and adore the God who has given himself to us in this way.”
David Wells

“Mark well the great advantages you have for the attainment of holiness by seeking it in a right gospel order. You will have the advantage of the love God manifested towards you, in forgiving your sins, receiving you into favor, and giving you the spirit of adoption, and the hope of His glory freely through Christ, to persuade and constrain you by sweet allurements to love God again, who has so dearly loved you, and to love others for His sake, and to give up yourselves to the obedience of all His commands out of hearty love to Him. You will also enjoy the help of the Spirit of God to incline you powerfully to obedience, and to strengthen you for the performance of it against all your corruptions and the temptations of Satan, so that you will have both wind and tide to forward your voyage in the practice of holiness.”

Walter Marshall

Communion Hymns

The King of Love My Shepherd Is – *Henry Baker/Irish Hymn*

1. The King of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never.
I nothing lack if I am his,
And he is mine forever.

2. Where streams of living water flow,
My ransomed soul he leadeth;
And where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.

3. Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me;
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill,
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.

5. Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
Thy unction grace bestoweth;
And oh, what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth!

6. And so through all the length of days,
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house forever.

Satisfied – *Karl Digerness*

1. All my life long, I had panted
For a drink from some cool spring
That I hoped would quench the burning
Of the thirst I found within.

*Chorus: Hallelujah! He has found me,
The one my soul so long has craved!
Jesus satisfies all my longings;
Through his blood I now am saved.*

2. Feeding on the filth around me
'Til my strength was almost gone.
Longed my soul for something better,
Only still to hunger on.

Chorus

3. Poor I was and sought for riches,
Something that would satisfy.
But the dust I gathered 'round me
Only mocked my soul's sad cry.

Chorus

4. Well of water, ever springing
Bread of Life so rich and free.
Untold wealth that never faileth,
My Redeemer is to me.

Chorus

How Deep the Father's Love for Us – *Stuart Townend*

1. How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss -
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

2. Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.

It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life -
I know that it is finished.

3. I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart -
His wounds have paid my ransom.

WORSHIP IN GRATITUDE

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

Offertory.....*God Be Merciful to Me*

God, be merciful to me;
On Thy grace I rest my plea
Plenteous in compassion Thou,
Blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, make me pure within;
Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

Gracious God, my heart renew,
Make my spirit right and true.
Cast me not away from Thee,
Let Thy Spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation's joy impart,
Steadfast make my willing heart.

Closing Hymn.....*How Firm a Foundation (#94)*



1. How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the Lord,
2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis - mayed;
3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go,
4. "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie,
5. "E'en down to old age all my peo - ple shall prove
6. "The soul that on Je - sus has leaned for re - pose,



is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent Word!
for I am your God, and will still give you aid;
the riv - ers of sor - row shall not ov - er - flow;
my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply;
my sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - chan - gea - ble love;
I will not, I will not de - sert to his foes;



What more can he say than to you he has said,
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
for I will be with you, your trou - bles to bless,
the flame shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
and when ho - ry hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,
that soul, though all hell should en - dea - vor to shake,



to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
and sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.
your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.
like lambs they shall still in my bo - som be borne.
I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er for - sake."

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Week's Sermon Passage

Matthew 22:1-14

Financials

1st Quarter 2025: \$203,063

Upcoming Events

- **Monthly Potluck Lunch: August 3 after worship** (No potluck in July)
- **VBS 2025!** It's that time of year again for...VBS!!
This year's theme is True North- Trusting Jesus in a Wild World through an Alaskan Adventure!! **June 23-27: Monday-Friday, 9:00-12:00** Sign ups are now open:



As always, if you have ANY questions, please reach out to Lezli Richie (972-965-0472, lezlirichie@gmail.com). Looking forward to another AMAZING year of VBS!! Volunteers for VBS **MUST be sure to have a current background check and Ministry Safe Aware training on file BEFORE June 23rd** to be able to participate. Please reach out to Sherrie Hamby for questions and links: officegcpcfw@gmail.com

- Our **Sunday School** program is on Summer Break. We will begin again in the late summer/early fall. Dates coming soon.
- **Membership at GCPC:** If you are interested in becoming a member of GCPC, please contact our Ministry Coordinator, Sherrie Hamby (officegcpcfw@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 **Sunday, October 5th, 2025.**

So far, since April, we've received the Mbonu family, Leaman family and Andrew Bell.

- **Asst Pastor Search Update:** In the Lord's providence the candidates we brought in for interviews have chosen other opportunities and so the search is continuing. Please pray that we will trust the Lord as a church while we search and wait on His perfect timing to bring us the man He's chosen for us.
- **Church Directory!** This summer, we will be updating and revamping our church directory. In preparation for this effort, we need your help! If you are a member of GCPC, please follow the link below and take just a few minutes to make sure we have the most current information for you and your family (i.e., names, phone, email, address, etc.). <https://shorturl.at/xqXtY> Contact Jordan Sims for more information jorsim613@gmail.com.
- **Children's Lesson** – The Children's Lesson (which take place in a classroom during the sermon) will continue through the summer for the children. Teachers and assistants (students 12 years old and older or adults) are using this weekly opportunity to help the children focus on one truth in that Sunday's Scripture as well as getting to know each child. Some Teachers sign up for a few Sundays a year and others sign up for a Sunday or two a month. Pastor Kyle provides the children's lesson via email. If you would like to learn more and become involved with this group for the first time, or even just want to get more information, contact Karen Taylor at karen_taylor@sil.org.

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, July 25th, 2025 at 6:00pm** at the church.

Contact Jordan Sims for more information
jorsim613@gmail.com.

- **Men's Group:** Men's Group: The Guys of Grace study have completed their studies and are on Summer Break. They will begin again this coming fall. 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)

- **Ladies' Summer Bible Study:** We are watching ten video lessons by R.C. Sproul titled "Classic Collection" and discussing the accompanying questions.

June 3 - August 12

-Tuesday 9:30-11:00am, in-person with childcare

-Tuesday 7:00-8:30pm ZOOM

Contact **Jen Smith** for more information: 817-627-7655.

- **Ladies' Prayer Meeting:** Thursdays at 10:00am Please contact Robbi Parker for Zoom link: oarsinsailsup@gmail.com.

Missions of Grace (MoG)

- **Missions Spotlight:** This month's mission spotlight is our **GCPC Reynosa Team**. We have a team of 12 faithful members (the entire Henry family, Jacob and Rebecca Hoshauer, Lezli Richie and her daughter, Olivia Harrelson, and John Rohde) who will be working with our Isaiah 55 partners the week of July 5-11 doing community service, construction projects, and helping with the local VBS. Please pray for safe travels and a fruitful time of 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 August, 2025.



Greystone at Grace: Summer Book Club

- **Greystone at Grace:** Summer Book Club This summer we will discuss **J. Gresham Machen’s Christianity and Liberalism**. Although written in the early 1900s, Machen’s classic defense of Reformed Orthodoxy remains relevant today. We will meet on the second Saturday each month at 7 PM at Jared and Melissa Brown’s house. More details to come. If you are interested in joining the conversation, please contact Jared Brown. You can email Jared Brown at j.brown@greystoneinstitute.org.
 - **Schedule:**
 - June 14: Intro, and chapters 1&2
 - July 12: chapters 4&5
 - August 9: chapters 6&7

NOTES

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