

GRACE COMMUNITY

Presbyterian Church, PCA

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

July 6, 2025

10:30am

Reflection: “1 John 4:19–21 notes that love of God necessarily instills love of neighbor: “Whoever loves God must also love his brother.” Love of God is the enduring motive for love of neighbor. Further, whoever loves God adopts his vision of the world. Such a person sees his fellow man as God does and treats him as Jesus would.”

Ian Duguid

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 36

Minister: Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.

People: **How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of
your wings.**

Minister: They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give
them drink from the river of your delights.

People: **For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we
see light.**

Hymn of Adoration.....*God, the Lord, a King Remaineth* (#64)



1. God, the Lord, a King re - main - eth, robed in his own
 2. In her ev - er - last - ing sta - tion earth is poised, to
 3. Lord, the wa - ter - floods have lift - ed, o - cean floods have
 4. With all tones of wa - ters blend - ing, glo - rious is the
 5. Lord, the words thy lips are tell - ing are the per - fect



glo - rious light; God hath robed him and he reign - eth;
 swerve no more: thou hast laid thy throne's foun - da - tion
 lift their roar; now they pause where they have drift - ed,
 break - ing deep; glo - rious, beau - teous with - out end - ing,
 ver - i - ty: of thine high e - ter - nal dwell - ing



he hath gird - ed him with might. Al - le - lu - ia!
 from all time where thought can soar. Al - le - lu - ia!
 now they burst up - on the shore. Al - le - lu - ia!
 God who reigns on heav'n's high steep. Al - le - lu - ia!
 ho - li - ness shall in - mate be. Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! God is King in depth and height.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, thou art for - ev - er - more.
 Al - le - lu - ia! For the o - cean's sound - ing store.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Songs of o - cean nev - er sleep.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Pure is all that lives with thee.

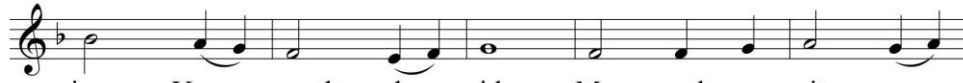
John Keble, the author of this hymn, was born at Fairford, in Gloucestershire, on St. Mark's Day, 1792. His father was Vicar of Coln St. Aldwin's, about three miles distant, but lived at Fairford in a house of his own, where he educated entirely his two sons, John and Thomas, up to the time of their entrance at Oxford. In 1806 John Keble won a Scholarship at Corpus Christi College, and in 1810 a Double First Class, a distinction which up to that time had been gained by no one except Sir Robert Peel. *God the Lord a King Remaineth* is based on Psalm 96 and was first published in his *Psalter; or, Psalms of David*, 1839. It was given in the *Sarum Hymnal*, 1868, *Kennedy*, 1863, and in several Public School collections, but its use is not equal to its merits. It is one of Keble's finest renderings of the Psalms.

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Preparation.....Psalm 6 (Tune: When I Survey)



1.In an - ger, Lord, re - buke me not, nor judg - ment
2.My soul is great - ly ter - ri - fied. O Lord! and
3.For none in death re - mem - bers you, or there your
4.My groan - ing ev - er wea - ries me, through ev - 'ry
5.Be - cause of all my en - e - mies this bit - ter
6.The Lord my sup - pli - ca - tion hears; the Lord has



in Your wrath de - cide. My weak - ness pit - y,
yet how long you take! Re - turn, O Lord, and
mem - o - ry shall keep. And who can give you
night till morn ap - pears. My griev - ing makes my
grief con - sumes my eyes. Then let all ev - il
brought my prayers to mind; my foes shall be a -



Lord, and heal, for in my bones I'm ter - ri - fied.
free my soul, and save me for your mer - cies' sake.
prais - es then, with - in the re - gion of the deep?
bed to swim and wa - ters all my cot with tears.
men de - part! The Lord has heard my weep - ing cries.
shamed and vexed, and sud - den shame they all will find.

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

Call to Confession.....Psalm 36

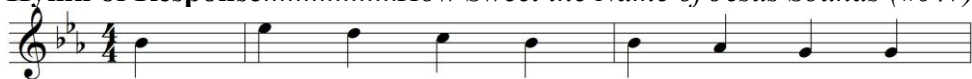
Let not the foot of arrogance come upon me, nor the hand of the wicked drive me away. There the evildoers lie fallen; they are thrust down, unable to rise.

Prayer of Confession of Sin

Words of Comfort and Promise.....Psalm 36

Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your righteousness to the upright of heart!

Hymn of Response.....*How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds* (#647)



1.How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds in
 2.It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole, and
 3.Dear Name! the rock on which I build, my
 4.Je - sus, my Shep - herd, Broth - er, Friend, my
 5.Weak is the ef - fort of my heart, and
 6.Till then I would thy love pro - claim with



a be - liev - er's ear! It soothes his sor - rows,
 calms the trou - bled breast; 'tis man - na to the
 shield and hid - ing place, my nev - er - fail - ing
 Proph-et, Priest, and King, my Lord, my Life, my
 cold my warm - est thought; but when I see thee
 ev - 'ry fleet - ing breath; and may the mu - sic



heals his wounds, and drives a - way his fear.
 hun - gry soul, and to the wea - ry rest.
 trea - s'ry filled with bound-less stores of grace;
 Way, my End, ac - cept the praise I bring.
 as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.
 of thy name re - fresh my soul in death.

WORSHIP AND THE MEANS OF GRACE

Confession of Faith.....*Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 32-33* Ruling Elder Candidate Darren Pettitt

Leader: Why are you called a Christian?

People: Because by faith I am a member of Christ and so I share in his anointing. I am anointed to confess his name, to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks, to strive with a free conscience against sin and the devil in this life, and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation for eternity.

Leader: Why is he called God's "only begotten Son" when we also are God's children?

People: Because Christ alone is the eternal, natural Son of God.
We, however, are adopted children of God—adopted by
grace through Christ.

The First Reading of God’s Word.....Psalm 110:1-7
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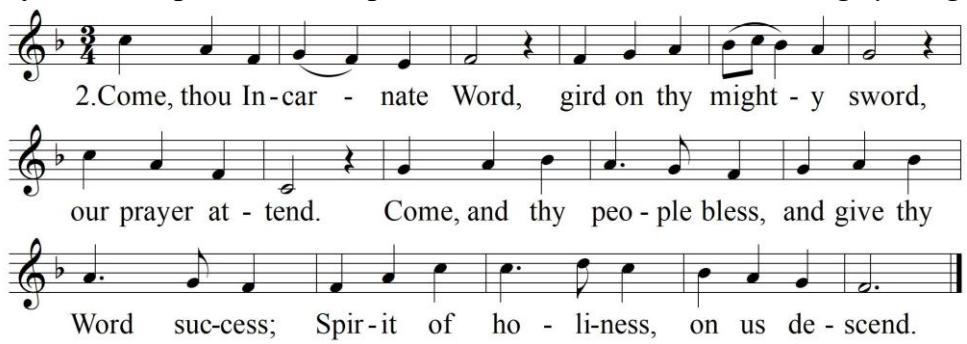
The Second Reading of God’s Word.....Matthew 22:34-46
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Reader: This is the Word of God.
People: Amen!

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 and Preparation.....*Come, Thou Almighty King*



2.Come, thou In-car - nate Word, gird on thy might - y sword,
our prayer at - tend. Come, and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
Word suc-cess; Spir-it of ho - li-ness, on us de - scend.

Hearing from God’s Word.....Matthew 22:34-45
Rev. Kyle Oliphint *The LORD Your God*

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

"I hope what you find in yourself by daily experience, will humble you—but not discourage you.

For if our Physician is almighty—our disease cannot be desperate. Our sins are many—but His mercies are more. Our sins are great—but His righteousness is greater. When our sins prevail, remember that we have an Advocate with the Father, who is able to pity, to pardon, and to save to the uttermost!

It is better to be admiring the compassion and fullness of grace which is in our Savior—than to dwell and pore too much upon our own poverty and vileness."

John Newton

"The salvation of Jesus humbles us profoundly – we are so lost that he had to die for us. But it exalts and assures us mightily — we are so valued that he was glad to die for us. Because we are sinners totally accepted by grace, we have both the humility and the boldness necessary to serve others for their sake, not ours."

Tim Keller

"For just as sin, addiction, and misery typically go together, so do confession, healing, and the long process of redemption. We need redemption not just from our sins and addictions but also from their miseries - particularly those miseries that occasion more sin and deeper addiction. As all recovering sinners know, this process of healing and liberation, this 'conversion unto life,' this set of lessons to teach us how to dance again will prove to be as cunning, baffling, powerful, and patient as addiction itself."

Cornelius Plantinga

"That same Jesus who once died for sinners, still lives at the right hand of God, to carry on the work of salvation which He came down from heaven to perform.

He lives to receive all who come unto God by Him, and to give them power to become the sons of God.

He lives to hear the confession of every heavy-laden conscience, and to grant, as an almighty High Priest, perfect absolution.

He lives to pour down the Spirit of adoption on all who believe in Him, and to enable them to cry, Abba, Father!

He lives to be the one Mediator between God and man, the unwearied Intercessor, the kind Shepherd, the elder Brother, the prevailing Advocate, the never-failing Priest and Friend of all who come to God by Him.

He lives to be wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption to all His people—to keep them in life, to support them in death, and to bring them finally to eternal glory."

J.C. Ryle

Communion Hymns

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

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| 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. |
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Begone Unbelief –John Newton/Kevin Twit

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| 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. | <i>the word he has spoken will surely
prevail, the word he has spoken will
surely prevail.</i> |
| 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. | 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. |
| <i>Refrain:</i>
<i>Begone unbelief, The Savior is here (3x)</i>
<i>Though cisterns be broken</i>
<i>and creatures all fail,</i> | 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. <i>Refrain</i> |

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

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| 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? | Whate'er Thy sacred will ordains,
O give me strength to bear;
And let me know my Father reigns,
And trust His tender care. |
| 2. Whate'er Thy providence denies,
I calmly would resign;
For Thou art just, and good, and wise,
O bend my will to Thine. | 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.....O Savior, Precious Savior

O Savior, precious Savior,
whom yet unseen we love,
O Name of might and favor,
all other names above!

We worship Thee, we bless Thee,
to Thee, O Christ, we sing;
we praise Thee, and confess Thee,
our holy Lord and King.

O bringer of salvation,
who wondrously hast wrought,
Thyself the revelation
of love beyond our thought,

we worship Thee, we bless Thee,
to Thee, O Christ, we sing;
we praise Thee, and confess Thee,
our gracious Lord and King.

In Thee all fullness dwelleth,
all grace and pow'r divine;
the glory that excelleth,
O Son of God, is Thine;
we worship Thee, we bless Thee,
to Thee, O Christ, we sing;
we praise Thee, and confess Thee,
our glorious Lord and King.

Closing Hymn.....God Moves in a Mysterious Way (#128)



1. God moves in a mys - ter - rious way his
2. Deep in un - fath - om - a - ble mines of
3. Ye fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take; the
4. Judge not the Lord by fee - ble sense, but
5. His pur - po - ses will ri - pen fast, un -
6. Blind un - be - lief is sure to err, and



won - ders to per - form; he plants his foot - steps
nev - er - fail - ing skill he trea - sures up his
clouds ye so much dread are big with mer - cy,
trust him for his grace; be - hind a frown - ing
fold - ing ev - 'ry hour; the bud may have a
scan his work in vain; God is his own in -



in the sea, and rides up - on the storm.
bright de - signs, and works his sov - ereign will.
and shall break in bless - ings on your head.
prov - i - dence he hides a smil - ing face.
bit - ter taste, but sweet will be the flow'r.
ter - pre - ter, and he will make it plain.

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Week's Sermon Passage

Matthew 23:1-39

Financials

1st Quarter 2025: \$203,063

Upcoming Events

- **Monthly Potluck Lunch: August 3 after worship**
- 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 (officgcpcfw@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, Leonard family and Jacob Smith. Andrew Bell and Melody Leonard our two of our covenant children who have become communing members since April..
- **Asst Pastor Search Update:** The committee is currently interviewing candidates and are grateful for your prayers for us and the candidates as both sides seek to discern the Lord's will.
- **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.

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 Emma, 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!

- **Variety Show, Mission Testimonies & Nacho Bar - Saturday, August 9, 5:30p** - Our annual variety show needs your talent for an evening of fun fellowship! Alongside the variety show, you will hear testimonies from members of Grace regarding their involvement in missions work over the last year. Please plan to join the fun and contact Ann Geer for your variety entry 940-393-3524.

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

- **SMOG - Summer Church Fellowship Nights--Every Wednesday night through August 6th.** SMOG will be hosting church fellowship nights at GCPC from **6:30-8:30PM**. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided. Join us **this Wednesday, July 8**. All GCPC families are welcome to attend!
- **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:**
- July 12: chapters 4&5
- August 9: chapters 6&7

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