

Morning Worship

The Prelude

The Greeting and Announcements

The Silent Meditation and Prayer

The Call to Worship

* The Psalm of Praise No. 76 – *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven (from Psalm 103)*

* The Invocation

The Reading of Holy Scripture – **Genesis 3**

The Corporate Confession of Sin

Our Heavenly Father, we humbly confess that in and of ourselves we are guilty of original and actual sin. We are sinners, therefore we sin. Our lips are unclean; our eyes are full of lust; our hands are quick to do evil; our minds are lazy and rebellious; our affections are misplaced. We love evil things, and we love created things more than we love You. We are debtors to your justice, and can do nothing to repay that debt. But You have sent Your Son into this world to seek and to save lost sinners, to pay the penalty we deserve! And so we pray that of Your free grace, through the obedience and satisfaction of Christ Jesus our Savior, You would pardon our daily failings. Continue Your grace and favor to us. By Your Spirit fill us with peace and joy, and give us daily more and more assurance of our forgiveness in Christ. Amen.

* The Assurance of Pardon – I Peter 2:24-25

“Christ Jesus Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed. For you were continually straying like sheep, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.”

* The Hymn of Thanksgiving – *In Christ Alone*

* The Confession of Faith – from Philippians 3:4-14

There are many things we might put our confidence in: our religious heritage, our nationality, our family background, our denominational ties, our theological knowledge, our zeal for God, or our obedience to the Law. But whatever things were gain to me, those things we have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. More than that, we count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus our Lord. For Him we have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as dung so that we may gain Christ, and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of our own derived from the Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith. We glory in Christ Jesus alone and put no confidence in the flesh. We want to know Christ and the power of His resurrection

and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; in order that we may attain to the resurrection from the dead. We have not already obtained it, nor have we already become perfect, but we press on so that we may lay hold of that for which also we were laid hold of by Christ Jesus. Forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, we press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

The Giving of our Tithes and Offering

* The Hymn – *Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting*

The Pastoral Prayer

* The Reading of Holy Scripture – **Colossians 1:9-14**

For this reason also, since the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,¹⁰ so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;¹¹ strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light.¹³ For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son,¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

The Sermon – **“Why Do You Thank God?”**

The Lord’s Supper

The Words of Institution

The Invitation

The Prayer of Consecration

The Communion with our Lord Jesus and His People

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Offering for the Needy Among Us

* The Hymn of Commitment No. 263 – *Lift High the Cross*

* The Congregational Response – *The Doxology*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise Him, all creatures here below;

praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;

praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* The Benediction

* The Postlude

*Congregation Standing, If Able

The purpose of Grace Presbyterian Church is to glorify God by equipping individuals and families with the word of God so that by God’s grace they will grow in their service and worship of God, cultivate a genuinely loving fellowship, and influence the world for Jesus Christ.

For Meditation and Prayer

“I have often times proved by experience, and I daily find what a hard matter it is to believe (especially in the conflict of conscience) that Christ was given, not for the holy, righteous, worthy, and such as were His friends; but for wicked sinners, for the unworthy, and for His enemies...When your conscience is thoroughly afraid with the remembrance of your past sins, and the devils assails you with great violence to terrify you, and to draw you from Christ; then arm yourself with such sentences as these: ‘Christ the Son of God was given, not for the holy, righteous, worthy, and such as were His friends; but for the wicked, sinners, for the unworthy, and for His enemies.’ If the devil says, ‘You are a sinner, and therefore must be damned,’ then answer and say, ‘Because you say I am a sinner, therefore I will be righteous and saved.’ And if he replies, ‘No, for sinners must be damned,’ then answer, ‘No, for I flee to Christ, who has given Himself for my sins.’” (*Martin Luther*)

“Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted.⁵ But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being *fell* upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.⁶ All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all To fall on Him.⁷ He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He did not open His mouth; Like a lamb that is led to slaughter, And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, So He did not open His mouth.⁸ By oppression and judgment He was taken away; And as for His generation, who considered That He was cut off out of the land of the living For the transgression of my people, to whom the stroke *was due?*⁹ His grave was assigned with wicked men, Yet He was with a rich man in His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor was there any deceit in His mouth.¹⁰ But the LORD was pleased To crush Him, putting *Him* to grief; If He would render Himself *as* a guilt offering, He will see *His* offspring, He will prolong *His* days, And the good pleasure of the LORD will prosper in His hand.¹¹ As a result of the anguish of His soul, He will see *it and* be satisfied; By His knowledge the Righteous One, My Servant, will justify the many, As He will bear their iniquities.¹² Therefore, I will allot Him a portion with the great, And He will divide the booty with the strong; Because He poured out Himself to death, And was numbered with the transgressors; Yet He Himself bore the sin of many, And interceded for the transgressors.” (*Isaiah 53:4-12*)

“Who are to come to the table of the Lord? Those who are displeased with themselves for their sins, yet trust that these are forgiven them, and that their remaining infirmity is covered by the suffering and death of Christ; who also desire more and more to strengthen their faith and to amend their life. But the impenitent and hypocrites eat and drink judgment to themselves (I Cor. 10:19-22; 11:28-29; Psa. 51:3; 103:1-4; John 7:37-38; Matt. 5:6).” (*Heidelberg Catechism #81*)

A Guide to the Morning Service

The Lord's Supper - When the children of Israel were slaves in Egypt, God delivered them by sending His death angel to kill every firstborn son in Egypt. The Israelites were spared the wrath of God by killing a lamb and painting the blood on the doorframe of their houses. They ate the meat of the lamb that night, and every year as they celebrated and remembered the "Passover" of God. On the night Jesus, the firstborn son, was delivered into the hands of foreigners to be slain as the Passover lamb, to rescue His people from their slavery to sin and Satan, and to bear the wrath of God in their place, He authoritatively replaced the Passover meal with the Lord's Supper. As we eat this covenant meal we remember His finished work on the cross, we commune with Him and are strengthened by Him as we feed upon Him by faith, and we pledge anew our faithfulness to Him as His forgiven and freed people. He has betrothed us to Himself in perfect faithfulness, though we like Gomer are an adulterous bride (Hosea 1-3). The table of the Lord is not a Presbyterian table, but is open to any sinner who has professed faith in Christ alone for salvation and united themselves to His body, the Church. Please hold the bread and the cup so that we might eat and drink together.

The Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs – In Colossians 3:16, God commands us, "Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teach and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God." Singing to God is both our duty and our delight; it is one of the best ways to express our gratitude to God; and it is one of the ways we build up one another in faith and love. John Wesley's reminder is still needed, "Sing lustily, and with a good courage. Beware of singing as if you were half dead, or half asleep; but lift up your voice with strength. Be no more afraid of your voice now, nor more ashamed of it being heard, then when you sang the songs of Satan." While all Scripture is appropriate for singing, there is specific exhortation for us to make use of the Psalter as the Church's songbook, and so we seek to sing psalms in each worship service.

Welcome to Grace Presbyterian Church

If you are visiting with us, we pray the ministry of the Word and the fellowship of God's people will encourage you. We would love to be able to follow up with you, so please fill out the information below and place it in the offering plate. We do have a nursery available for children four and under, but we love having every member of the covenant community gather with us to worship our Savior and King – feel free to keep your children with you. We celebrate the Lord's Supper the first Sunday morning of each month. The Inquirers' Class (a prerequisite for membership for non-PCA members) is offered regularly as a way to learn more about what we believe. If you have any questions about our church, the elders would be happy to talk with you after the service.

Please silence all cell phones upon entering the sanctuary.

(Please tear off and place in the offering plate)

Name _____

Street Address _____

City/State _____ Zip Code _____

Email _____

Telephone _____

Prayer Requests:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The nursery workers today are: A. Seitzinger (SS); Kincaid (MW); Stevens (EW). The nursery workers next Sunday are: Sperry (SS); Richards (MW); Barnhart (EW).
- Family Ministry Committee Meeting today at 4:00 PM at The Meeting House.
- This evening, from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., we will have a Question and Answer time with Pastor Caleb. Bring your questions about the sermon, about the Bible, about life, about theology, or anything else on your mind.
- Next Sunday, there will be a congregational meeting immediately following the morning worship service for the purpose of voting on whether to call Robert Row as an Associate Pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church. All communing members in good standing are entitled to vote in this meeting. Please make every effort to attend.
- This Sunday, new adult Sunday School classes began. Bob King is teaching on Paul's letter to the Romans, and Darryl Richards and Brad Bleasdale are teaching an Inquirers' Class (for anyone who would like to join or learn more about our church). Joey Stewart is completing his class on God's Sovereignty through the month of March, then Robert Row will teach a class entitled Family Life in April and May.
- Grace Ladies' Bible Study Tuesdays 10-11:30 AM @ The Meeting House. Study on Psalms - using Nancy Leigh Demoss' "*A 30 Day Walk Through The Psalms*". Open to every woman in our church and please bring friends & neighbors. Each week is fresh as we study a different Psalm and expand as a prayer & outreach group. Taught by Jan Stevens 432-2443 - wjstevens123@charter.net
- Bible studies meet throughout the week and it's never too late to join us. Check out our website: www.gracecookeville.org for details of meeting locations and leaders.

GPC CALENDAR

Sunday	Sunday School – 9:15 a.m. Morning Worship – 10:30 a.m. Shepherding Group Fellowship Meal – 12:00 p.m. Evening Worship – 6:00 p.m.
Monday	Calvin's Institutes Reading Group – 12:00-1:00 p.m. at the Meeting House. Bring a brownbag lunch. Session Meeting – 6:00 p.m. at the Meeting House RUF Large Group Meeting – 8:00-9:30 pm in the UC
Tuesday	Women's Bible Study – 10-11:30 AM at The Meeting House Tommy Roberts' Birthday!
Wednesday	No Events Scheduled
Thursday	No Events Scheduled
Friday	No Events Scheduled
Saturday	No Events Scheduled

THE SESSION

Pastor-Teacher: Caleb Cangelosi (calebcangelosi@gmail.com)
Ruling Elders: Brad Bleasdale, Dennis Parker (Clerk of Session), Darryl Richards, Robert Row (Director of Family Ministries, robert.row.grace@gmail.com)

THE DIACONATE

Todd Burks, Chuck Craig, David Cunningham, Jamey Farris, Jason Morse (Treasurer), Michael Savage, Wes Stevens, John Rust (Chairman)

MISSIONARIES AND MINISTRIES WE SUPPORT

Pete Mitchell (France), Perry Heusmann (Italy), El Roi Children's Home in Ethiopia, Third Millennium Ministries, Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church Plant, Reformed University Fellowship at TTU, Reformed Youth Movement, Red Lake Indian Reservation, Cookeville Pregnancy Clinic, Cookeville Rescue Mission

CHURCH STAFF

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THE LORD'S DAY
March 7, 2010

As You Enter Silently, Use These Words to Prepare Your Heart for Worship:

“From whence this fear and unbelief,
Hath not the Savior put to grief
His spotless Son for me?
And will the righteous judge of men
Condemn me for that load of sin
Which Lord, was charged to Thee?

Complete atonement Thou hast made,
And to the utmost farthing paid,
Whate'er Thy people owed.
Nor can God's wrath on me take place
When sheltered by Thy righteousness
And covered by Thy blood.

If Thou my pardon hast secured,
And freely in my room endured
The whole of wrath divine,
Payment God cannot twice demand,
First from my bleeding surety's hand
And then again from mine.

Return my soul unto thy rest;
The sorrows of thy Great High Priest
Have bought thy liberty.
Trust in His efficacious blood
Nor fear thy banishment from God
Since Jesus died for thee.”

-- *Augustus Toplady (1740-1778)*

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