

This Week at GPC

Sunday Morning Prayer – 8:15 a.m.
 Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
 Morning Worship – 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Bible Study – 6:00 p.m.
 Youth Group – 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday Nashville Presbytery – 8:00 a.m.

Weds Women’s Bible Study – 9:30 a.m.
 Pack Backpacks – 6:00 p.m.

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARIES

2/13 Barnhart
 2/15 Brinkman
 2/16 Meredith Donnelly
 2/17 John Vick
 2/17 Winston
 2/18 Greyson Farris

Our Officers

Session

Ray Barnhart
 Pastor Andy Berg
 Pastor Chris Donnelly
 Ryan Morris
 Dennis Parker – Clerk
 Darryl Richards
 Landon Vick

Elder Emeritus

Quinton Bain

Deacons

Todd Burks
 David Cunningham – Chair
 Jamey Farris
 Todd Havener - Treasurer
 Ian Robson
 Nathan Twitty

For assistance with needs beyond your physical abilities, please contact any deacon listed above.

Our Missionaries and Outreach Ministries

Perry & Betty Huesmann (Italy)

Petrie & Ruth Mitchell (France)

El Roi Children’s Home (Ethiopia)

Rachel Powelson (Thailand)

Benjamin & Anna Wontrop (England)

Reformed Youth Movement (RYM)

Cookeville Pregnancy Clinic

Cookeville Rescue Mission

Heart of the Cumberland

Humanitas Forum

Mission to Algood School

RUF @ TTU – Gavin Breeden

Grace Fellowship Groups

****Please check with the group leaders listed to confirm date, time and place****

Tuesday

Men’s Fellowship – meets every week at 4:00 p.m. at Fr. Tom’s – Jamey Farris (931) 260-6572

Wednesday

Barnhart Group – meets 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at different homes – Ray Barnhart (931) 261-8441

Men’s Group – meets weekly at 7:30 a.m. at Shoney’s – Andy Berg (931) 397-9952

VandenBerge group – meets weekly from 7 - 8:30 p.m. at the Tatum’s– Dan VandenBerge (931) 239-0695

Vick group – meets weekly at 5:45 p.m. at different homes – Landon Vick (931) 319-8534

Why Group – meets 2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at different homes – Chris Donnelly (931) 537-6400

The church office is open from 9:00 a.m. till 12:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)

Joyfully gathering and growing disciples of Jesus

WELCOME

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior;

To all who are strangers and want fellowship;

To all who hunger and thirst after righteousness, and to all who will come,

This congregation opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord’s Day

Sunday, February 12th, 2017

~ ORDER OF WORSHIP ~

Praise the LORD! Praise the name of the LORD, give praise, O servants of the LORD.

Psalm 135:1

*THE SONG OF GATHERING "Love of God" Getty & Townend

Love of God revealed in wonder by the works of a Maker's hand;
Seas that roar with thund'rous splendor, fields that whisper at His command.

All the joys of life we cherish are God's gracious sign

We are children of His promise, heirs of mercy and grace divine.

Unfailing love from Heaven's throne, that sought me out and brought me home;

My song of praise shall ever be: the Father's love for me.

Love of God revealed in frailty through the gift of a servant King;

Sov'reign pow'r robed in humility, Prince of Peace crowned with suffering.

Oh what love, that calls humanity to kneel at the cross

And exchange our sin's futility for the joy of a Father's love.

Unfailing love from Heaven's throne, that sought me out and brought me home;

My song of praise shall ever be: the Father's love for me.

Love of God, what priceless treasure over all this world affords;

To be His and His forever, this my glory and my reward!

May this love beyond all knowing so capture my soul

That I'm filled to overflowing with a passion for Him alone!

Unfailing love from heaven's throne, that sought me out and brought me home;

My song of praise shall ever be: the Father's love for me.

THE GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SILENT MEDITATION

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Read Responsively) Psalm 95:1-7

Pastor: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

Pastor: In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. ⁵ The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

People: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

All: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE "And Can It Be That I Should Gain" Hymnal No. 455

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain—for me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be, That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
Amazing love! How can it be, That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

February 12th Announcements:

As you worship, please thank our Lord for the following individuals who are serving our church family:

Nursery workers today: B Abbotoy (SS); K Cunningham (MW Babies); C Burks (MW Tod.)

Next Sun., Feb. 19th: A Seitzinger (SS); L Havener/E Donnelly (MW Babies); O Bowers (MW Toddlers)

Greeters today: Dave & Becky Hull

For next Sunday Feb. 19th: Jamey & Apryl Farris

Visitors

We are very thankful that you have joined us for worship this morning. If you are looking for a church home, we hope that you will consider becoming a part of the Grace Church family. Please feel free to talk with Pastor Chris or one of our other Elders after the service if you'd like to learn more about Grace.

Service Opportunity

One of the local ministries we support with our time, talent and treasure is the Cookeville Pregnancy Clinic. This organization is a free medical clinic that provides various services to women facing unexpected pregnancies. In 2017, our goal as a church is to give 10,000 diapers to this worthy cause. When you're out shopping please consider purchasing an extra pack of diapers to donate. You can place your gifts in the church foyer. Thank you for your support of life!

We need several individuals, families, or grace groups to help pack and deliver back pack meals. The meals are delivered to Algood Elem, Algood Middle and Capshaw every other Thurs. The bags can be packed when convenient and stored on the shelves in the Meeting House. If you'd like to help, please see Nathan or Robin Twitty.

Fellowship Opportunity

As Christians, we are called by our Lord not only to be in union with Him, but with each other too. One of the ways we celebrate our membership in this special family is by doing life together, actively participating in community by mutually sharing the highs and lows of life with each other. If you are not currently involved in a Grace group, you are missing this vital piece of the puzzle which God has given us to grow in grace, so please check out the groups listed on the back of the bulletin, choose one that fits you, and get plugged in.

Educational Opportunities

Please join us at 6:00 p.m. tonight as we continue our study of Paul's letter to the church in Rome. The questions we'll be covering can be found on the table in the narthex or at www.gracecookeville.org under our Bible studies.

A Communicant's class for older elementary aged children will continue this afternoon, Sunday, February 12th at 4:00 p.m. Please contact Pastor Berg for more details.

Women's Ministry

A 6 week book/DVD Study started on February 1 at Cheryl Burks's house at **9:30 AM**. We are using the Lysa TerKeurst book: **Uninvited: Living Loved When You Feel Less Than, Left Out, and Lonely**. If you would like to join us, please contact Cheryl Burks at 931-284-7294.

Friday, February 24: WM is hosting a Bingo night at the church from 6:30 -9:30 PM. Please bring a \$5 unwrapped prize. Snacks will be provided. Invite a guest. All ages are welcome.

EXCITING OR POWERFUL?
EPHESIANS 1:15-23

'Tis mystery all: Th'Immortal dies: Who can explore His strange design?
In vain the firstborn seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds inquire no more.
Amazing love! How can it be, That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left His Father's throne above so free, so infinite His grace—
Humbled Himself so great His love, and bled for all His chosen race:
'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for O my God, it found out me!
Amazing love! How can it be, That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Long my imprisoned spirit lay, fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray—I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.
Amazing love! How can it be, That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own.
Amazing love! How can it be, That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

*THE INVOCATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 29:1-23

THE PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

Hebrews 4:15-16

Remember that our Lord Jesus Christ is able to sympathize with us in our weaknesses. In every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 51 (Read Responsively)

Hymnal pg. 804

THE SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

*THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Titus 3:4-7

But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. Receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*THE SONG OF THANKSGIVING

"Just As I Am"

Songbook #39

**Just as I am, without one plea, but that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Thou bidst me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

Just as I am, and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot,
 To Thee Whose blood can cleanse each spot,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 Just as I am, tho' tossed about with many conflicts, many doubts,
 Fightings and fears within, without,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
 Yea, all I need in Thee to find,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 Just as I am Thou will receive, will welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
 Because Thy promise I believe,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

*THE CONFESSION OF FAITH *The Belgic Confession* Article 22:
 Our Justification through Faith in Jesus Christ

We believe that for us to acquire the true knowledge of this great mystery the Holy Spirit kindles in our hearts a true faith that embraces Jesus Christ, with all his merits, and makes him its own, and no longer looks for anything apart from him. For it must necessarily follow that either all that is required for our salvation is not in Christ or, if all is in him, then those who have Christ by faith have his salvation entirely. Therefore, to say that Christ is not enough but that something else is needed as well is a most enormous blasphemy against God; for it then would follow that Jesus Christ is only half a Savior.

And therefore we justly say with Paul that we are justified "by faith alone" or "by faith apart from works." However, we do not mean, properly speaking, that it is faith itself that justifies us— for faith is only the instrument by which we embrace Christ, our righteousness. But Jesus Christ is our righteousness in making available to us all his merits and all the holy works he has done for us and in our place. And faith is the instrument that keeps us in communion with him and with all his benefits. When those benefits are made ours, they are more than enough to absolve us of our sins.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

*THE SONG OF PREPARATION *"Holy Spirit"* Getty & Townend

Holy Spirit, living breath of God, breathe new life into my willing soul.
 Bring the presence of the Risen Lord, to renew my heart and make me whole.
 Cause Your Word to come alive in me; Give me faith for what I cannot see,
 Give me passion for Your purity; Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

 Holy Spirit, come abide within, may Your joy be seen in all I do.
 Love enough to cover every sin, in each thought and deed and attitude.
 Kindness to the greatest and the least, gentleness that sows the path of peace.
 Turn my strivings into works of grace; Breath of God show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, giving life to all that God has made,
 Show Your power once again on earth, cause Your church to hunger for your ways.
 Let the fragrance of our prayers arise; Lead us on the road of sacrifice,
 That in unity the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.

*THE NEW TESTAMENT READING Ephesians 1:15-23

THE SERMON EXCITING OR POWERFUL? Rev. Charles Todd

*THE CLOSING SONG *"Hast Thou Heard Him, Seen Him, Known Him?"* RUF Hymnbook

Hast thou heard Him, seen Him, known Him? Is not thine a captured heart?
 Chief among ten thousand own Him; Joyful choose the better part.
Captivated by His beauty, worthy tribute haste to bring;
Let His peerless worth constrain thee, Crown Him now unrivaled King.

 What can strip the seeming beauty; from the idols of the earth?
 Not a sense of right or duty, but the sight of peerless worth.
Captivated by His beauty, worthy tribute haste to bring;
Let His peerless worth constrain thee, Crown Him now unrivaled King.

 'Tis that look that melted Peter, 'Tis that face that Stephen saw,
 'Tis that heart that wept with Mary, Can alone from idols draw.
Captivated by His beauty, worthy tribute haste to bring;
Let His peerless worth constrain thee, Crown Him now unrivaled King.

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *The Doxology* Hymnal No. 733

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below:
 Alleluia, Alleluia!
 Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*THE POSTLUDE *Congregation standing, if able CCLI # 840032