

Welcome to Grace Presbyterian Church. We are pleased that you are here and look forward to discovering ways that we can grow in faith and service together. We pray that you will be blessed in worship today. If you have any questions, we encourage you to contact the church office at (337) 984-6400 or [gracpreb@lusfiber.net](mailto:gracpreb@lusfiber.net). For Pastoral Care, please contact Rev. Pat at 337-781-1806 or at [wadp1@msn.com](mailto:wadp1@msn.com).

**THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH:**

**Sunday, January 26**

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

**Tuesday, January 28**

2:15 p.m. – MDO Board Meeting

**Sunday, February 2**

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. – After Church Refreshments

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**MDO BOARD MEETING** – will be on **Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>** at **2:15 p.m.** Please let Tim Conner know if you cannot attend this meeting.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY** – if you need to make any changes to your contact information or were not included in our church directory last year, please let Sarah know in the church office of any changes you need to make **by the end of January!**

**CHANCEL FLOWERS** – If you would like to bring flowers on Sundays for a special occasion (*birthdays, anniversaries, etc.*), we would love to celebrate your special day with you. Please let the office know which Sunday you would like.

**NEWSLETTER INFO** – if you have anything for our February GraceVine Newsletter, please try to get it to the church office by **Wednesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>**.

**NEXT SUNDAY (Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>)** – will be Communion Sunday and our After Church Refreshments. However, our UCO Collection will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, which will be Super Bowl Sunday. Donations can be dropped off on either Sunday, but our actual collection will be on February 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Grace Presbyterian prays for..... (new in bold)**

**Family of Bette Grubb**

Bill Grubb  
Joyce Guillot  
Betty Tucker  
Greta Halphen  
Katherine Hess  
Elke Hitt  
Betty Adams  
Jim & Jean McLain  
Mary Ann Daigle  
Mary Lou Montgomery  
April Grigg Manzo (Nick Manzo)  
Gloria Keller (David & Jysele Jones)  
Delores Knots Marks (Terry Wolford)  
Byron Hebert (Betty Couch)  
Jacquie Mauter Family (Causey's)  
Jim & Jean McLain's Family  
Anita Stamm Spears (Betty Couch)  
Ann Womack Family (Jysele Jones)  
Suzy Stewart (Sandy Stewart)  
Mrs. Peebles (Gail Rea)  
Troy & Melanie Lillie (Sarah Gaspard)  
Joyce Sorbet (Nick Manzo)  
Mona Faherty (Sandy Stewart)  
Jeff & Leslie Zellers (Melissa Gonzalez)  
Sherri Elter (Danny Jones)  
Alice Guillotte (Betty Adams)  
Ms. Mary Jo Brook  
Tiffani Bass & Mazen Lee McCoy (William Baker)  
Larry Baker (Nancy Sorbet)  
Linda Scholes (Jean McLain)  
Mildred & Maryann Baker (William Baker)



**Grace Presbyterian Staff**

Pat Wadsworth  
Sarah Gaspard  
Gray Guillot  
Katharine Schendel  
Nick Manzo

Interim Pastor  
Administrator  
Custodian  
Organist/Pianist  
Music Director

# Grace Presbyterian Church of Lafayette

Unashamed in  
Jesus' Name, we will

**Gather,  
Grow,  
and  
Go**

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# Celebration of Worship

January 26, 2025

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

## Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude Katharine Schendel

Silent Meditation

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: The heavens keep telling the wonders of God,  
**People: and the skies declare what he has done.**

Opening Prayer

**God of creation, this week of new weather records and unusual events has proven once more that you are Lord over all, and providential beyond our imagination! We give you thanks for the care you have shown us, and for the overwhelming evidence that you are in charge. Prepare our hearts and minds in this hour for the week that lies ahead, that we may be found faithful throughout, and pleasing to you in every way. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.**

\*Hymn "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word" Blue #454

Call to Confession

Leader: Lord, none of us know our faults.  
**People: Forgive me when I sin without knowing it.**  
Leader: Let us confess our sin together to the God who knows all.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

**Lord of all, we confess our tendency to lose our composure and our tempers when things don't go the way we would like. Too often we lash out at those around us—even the people we love most—in our selfish anger; and sometimes we even turn**

**against you. Forgive us, we pray, as we try to navigate new, surprising, and frightening paths, that we may finally please you, and resume our calling in Christ; in whose name we make our prayer, amen.**

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Let my words and my thoughts be pleasing to you, Lord,

**People: because you are my mighty rock and my protector.**

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**All: Thanks be to God!**

\*Praise Response

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

\*Passing of the Peace

## Grow - Proclaim God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Special Music Nick Manzo

Epistle Reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

New Testament Reading Luke 4:14-21

Message Rev Pat Wadsworth

\*Affirmation of Faith (in unison) A Modern Affirmation

**We know that God is in the world – was and is and will be. God made it all, and continues to renew and remake and resurrect.**

**We know God best in the life of Jesus, who was and is our maker of hope, the one who saves.**

**We know the power and energy of God in the Holy Spirit.**

**We are filled with God's joy and pledged to discipleship and love.**

**We trust in God, We celebrate God. We work together for justice and peace through God.**

**We are never alone. We are free in the chosen bonds of the ways of Christ. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

\*Hymn "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" Blue #408

## Give Thanks to God

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer ("debts and debtors")

Offering

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

## Go- In God's Name

\*Closing Song "God of Grace and God of Glory" Blue #420

\*Benediction Rev Pat Wadsworth

\*Postlude Katharine Schendel

\*Those that are able please stand

**VISITOR CARDS** – if you are a visitor today, please fill out a "welcome card" which is located on the table as you exit the Sanctuary. Please place the completed card in the offering plate (*located in the same area*) so we can have a record of you joining us today!