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 <a href="mailto:gracpreb@lusfiber.net">gracpreb@lusfiber.net</a>. For Pastoral Care, please contact Rev. Pat at 337-781-1806 or at <a href="mailto:wadp1@msn.com">wadp1@msn.com</a>.

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH:

Sunday, February 18

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. – After Church Refreshments

Monday, February 19

10:00 a.m. – PW Women Circle Meeting

Tuesday, February 20

6:00 p.m. – Session Meeting

Sunday, February 25

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. – After Church Refreshments

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

<u>PW WOMEN CIRCLE MEETING</u> — will be on Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Sandy Stewart. (111 Buffalo Run, Lafayette). All women are invited to join us for Bible Study & Fellowship.

<u>SESSION MEETING</u> – will be on **Tuesday, February 20**<sup>th</sup> at **6:00 p.m.** Please let Sandy Stewart know if you are an Elder and cannot attend this meeting.

**2024 PHONE DIRECTORY** — we are hoping to have our updated phone directories printed and available for pickup Next Sunday. If you would like a copy mailed to you, please let Sarah know in the Church Office.

<u>VISITOR CARDS</u> — if you are a visitor today, please fill out a "welcome card" which is located on the table as you exit the sanctuary so we can have a record of you joining us today.

#### **Grace Presbyterian Prays for......(New Requests in Bold)**

Family of Nick Manzo

**Bob & Katherine Hess** 

Margaret Boone

Elke Hitt

**Betty Adams** 

Pam Fontenot

Jim & Jean McLain

Bill & Bette Grubb

Mary Ann Daigle

Mary Lou Montgomery

Troy & Melanie Lillie (Sarah Gaspard)

Larry Schendel (Katharine Schendel)

Joyce Sorbet (Nick Manzo)

Mona Faherty (Sandy Stewart)

Jeff & Leslie Zellers (Melissa Gonzalez)

Sherri Elter (Danny Jones)

Cal Odom

Alice Guillotte (Betty Adams)

Judy Lopez (Pam Sanders)

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
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Katharine Schendel
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Music Director

# Grace Presbyterian Church of Lafayette

Unashamed in Jesus' Name, we will

Gather,
Grow,

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# Celebration of Worship

February 18, 2024

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

# Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude

Katharine Schendel

Silent Meditation

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

People: O my God, in you I trust.

### Opening Prayer (in unison)

Almighty God, your Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin. Give us grace to direct our lives in obedience to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

\*Hymn *"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"* Blue #466

Call to Confession

Leader: Tested by the devil in the wilderness, Jesus

said:

People: You shall worship the Lord your God alone. Leader: Let us confess our sin together to Almighty

God.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Lord of the wilderness, we confess that we often feel we are being tempted and tested by the circumstances of our lives. We sometimes wonder whether we are being punished, or whether you still love us. Forgive us, we pray, our self-pity and doubt, and reassure us of your constant love and presence in our lives. May we grow in our faith, to offer others the same reassurance of your care and support in this journey through our own times of wilderness. In Jesus' name, amen.

**Silent Prayers of Personal Confession** 

**Declaration of Forgiveness** 

Leader: God's promise is for all generations;

People: God's covenant is with every living thing.

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.

# Grow - Proclaim God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Genesis 9:8-17

Special Music Nick Manzo

Epistle Reading 1 Peter 3:18-22

New Testament Reading Mark 1:9-15

Message Rev. Pat Wadsworth

\*Affirmation of Faith (in unison) The Apostle's Creed I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

### Give Thanks to God

**Pastoral Prayer** 

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

Offering

\*Doxology

# Go- In God's Name

\*Closing Song "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me" Blue #366

\*Benediction Rev. Pat Wadsworth

\*Postlude Katharine Schendel



<sup>\*</sup>Those that are able please stand

<sup>\*</sup>Passing of the Peace

<sup>\*</sup>Hymn "If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee" Blue #282

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of Dedication