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, March 17

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. – After Church Refreshments

Monday, March 18

10:30 a.m. – PW Bible Study

Tuesday, March 19

6:00 p.m. - Session Meeting

Sunday, March 24 (Palm Sunday)

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. – After Church Refreshments

<u>EASTER LILIES</u> – are on sale Today and Next Sunday. The cost is \$12.00/each. There is a table set up outside the Sanctuary for you to let us know who to "honor" or "remember". Cash or checks payable to Grace.

<u>PW CIRCLE MEETING</u> – will be on Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. at Sandy Stewart's house.

<u>SESSION MEETING</u> – will be on **Tuesday, March 19**<sup>th</sup> at **6:00 p.m.** Please let Sandy Stewart know if you cannot attend.

**2024 PHONE DIRECTORIES** — if you have not picked up a directory yet, there are still some available on the table outside the Sanctuary today.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE (with Communion) — will be held on Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. at Grace Presbyterian. We will also have a "potluck supper" and invite everyone to bring a dish. Sign up poster is located in the Fellowship Hall today!

GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER VIGIL — will be held on Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at First Presbyterian Church from 11am-1pm. During this time, there will be several different prayer stations you can visit.

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE — will be on Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:30 a.m. at Grace Presbyterian Church.

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

**Family & Friends of Bob Hess** 

**Katherine Hess** 

Elke Hitt

Betty Adams

Pam Fontenot

Jim & Jean McLain

Bill & Bette Grubb

Mary Ann Daigle

Mary Lou Montgomery

**Grant & Kailey Frick (Sarah Gaspard)** 

Mrs. Peebles (Gail Rea)

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**

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# Grace Presbyterian Church of Lafayette

Unashamed in Jesus' Name, we will

Gather,
Grow,

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# Celebration of Worship

March 17, 2024

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

# Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude Katharine Schendel

Silent Meditation

**Announcements** 

Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord makes a new covenant with us. **People: We are God's people; the Lord is our God.** 

#### Opening Prayer (in unison)

Almighty God, our redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

\*Hymn *"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"* 

Blue #263

#### Call to Confession

Leader: God, have mercy on me according to your faithful love.

People: Because your love is so tender and kind, wipe out my lawless acts.

Leader: Let us confess our sin together to our merciful God.

## Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Heavenly Father, as we continue our selfexamination throughout this season of Lent, we have learned some things about ourselves, including some of our weaknesses; but we have also been reminded of your compassion, and your eagerness to forgive us our faults. Help us to remember your grace, and take courage to live our daily lives as a people redeemed—chosen by you to share that same grace with the people around us, who need it as badly as we do. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: God, give me back the joy that comes from

being saved by you.

People: Give me a spirit that obeys you so that I will

keep going.

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 Jeremiah 31:31-34

Special Music Nick Manzo

Epistle Reading Hebrews 5:5-10

New Testament Reading John 12:20-33

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.

\*Hymn "O love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" Blue #384

# 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 "O Jesus, I Have Promised" Blue #388

\*Benediction Rev. Pat Wadsworth

\*Postlude Katharine Schendel



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