

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.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH:**

**Sunday, November 8**

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

**Wednesday, November 11**

Veterans Day

**Sunday, November 15**

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**SESSION MEETING** – Next Meeting will be on **Tuesday, November 17th** at **6pm**. Please let Lynne Castle know if you are an Elder and are unable to attend this meeting.

**POINSETTIAS** – will be on sale **Sunday, November 15th, 22nd & 29th after worship**. Cost is TBA (*will probably be \$13.00 like last year*). There will be a form to fill out to let us know who to put “in honor of” or “in memory of”. You can also place your order with Sarah by calling the Church Office (337-984-6400) if you are unable to attend worship on those Sundays. Poinsettias can be brought home after our Annual Christmas Eve Service or you can arrange to pick up them up after Christmas at the church.

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

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

**Lynne Castle**

Pam Fontenot  
Ellyn Macpherson  
Mary Ann Daigle  
Ray Montgomery  
Elaine Hamm

**Milly Gaspard (Sarah Gaspard)**

Bonnie Palmer (Sandy Stewart)  
Kaley Hall (Grubb’s)  
Joyce Sorbet (Nick Manzo)  
Peggy Taylor (Linda Griffis-Smart)  
Claire Guidry (Lana Gaspard)  
Norma White (Terry Wolford)  
Cherry Taylor (Betty Couch)  
Peyton Brownlee Vinson  
Mark Bonnette (Betty Adams)  
Troy Lillie (Sarah Gaspard)  
Ken & Cherie Bourg (Katharine Schendel)  
Hank Cowen (Valerie Lapointe)  
David Stelly  
Wilson Prejean (Katharine Schendel)  
Michelle Shipley (Betty Couch)  
Linda Tucker Smith (Betty Tucker)  
The Boyette Family (Montgomery)  
Calen Rodgers Aultman (Carol Rodgers)  
Marie Foley (Betty Adams)



**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

November 8, 2020

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

## Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude Katharine Schendel

Silent Meditation

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Stand firm and hold fast to your faith.

**People: God will strengthen us in word and deed.**

\*Opening Song Insert

"Be Still, My Soul"

Opening Prayer (in unison)

**O God, your blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of evil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life. Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

Call to Confession

Leader: Our most merciful Father will not reject those whom he not only encourages to come,

**People: but urges in every possible way.**

Leader: With God's encouragement, let us confess our sin together.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

**Heavenly Father, we often chafe under your laws and your commands, finding them onerous to keep**

**and intrusive into our lifestyles. We toy with evil in our lives, as if it had no power or consequences. Forgive us, we pray, and help us to see the effects of evil in the world around us every day, and grow in our commitment to keep your instruction foremost in our minds and hearts, that we may indeed be the people you call us to be; in Jesus' name, amen.**

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: We know that when Christ returns, we will be like him,

**People: because we will see him as he truly is.**

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 Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Special Music Nick Manzo

Epistle Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel Reading Matthew 25:1-13

Message Rev. Pat Wadsworth

\*Affirmation of Faith (in unison) The Apostles' 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

\*Prayer of Dedication

## Go- In God's Name

\*Closing Song Insert

"Once to Every Man and Nation"

\*Benediction Rev. Pat Wadsworth

\*Postlude Katharine Schendel



\*Those that are able please stand.

\*\*Please silence cell phones