

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, February 26**

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary  
11:30 a.m. – After Church Refreshments

**Tuesday, February 28**

6:00 p.m. – Session Meeting

**Sunday, March 5**

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary  
11:30 a.m. – After Church Refreshments

**Please sign your name on the attendance sheet at the end of your pew today so that we may have a record!**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**SESSION MEETING** – will be on **Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>** at **6:00 p.m.** Please let Lynne Castle know if you are an Elder and cannot attend this meeting.

**NEWSLETTER INFO** – If you have anything for the March Church Newsletter, please get it to the church office by **Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>**.

**UNITED CHRISTIAN OUTREACH** - **Next Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>** will be our monthly collection of non-perishables & paper products. Please bring donations to worship with you or you can drop them off to the church throughout the month. UCO also now accepts gently used clothing items.

**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 on the same table*) so we can have a record of you joining us today.

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

**Pam Fontenot**

Jim & Jean McLain  
Bill & Bette Grubb  
Mary Ann Daigle  
Ray Montgomery

**Sheilah Altomare (Sandy Stewart)**

Donna Platt (MDO)  
Joel Abu (Betty Couch)  
Larry Schendel  
Hannah Grace Murphy (Valerie Lapointe)  
Lucas Dinnat (Causey)  
Chi Chi Whitely (Couch)  
Joyce Sorbet (Nick Manzo)  
Ms. Mary Jo Brook  
Tiffani Bass & Mazen Lee McCoy (William Baker)  
Byron Hebert (Betty Couch)  
Patsy Lewis (Melissa Gonzalez)  
Vicki Boudreaux (Danny Jones)  
Larry Baker (Nancy Sorbet – Nick’s mom)  
Linda Scholes (Jean McLain)  
Mildred & Maryann Baker (William Baker)  
Claire Guidry (Lana Gaspard)  
Cherry Taylor (Betty Couch)  
Michelle Shipley (Betty Couch)

*\*Please review this list, and call or email Sarah in the church office with any additions or deletions.*



**Grace Presbyterian Staff**

Pat Wadsworth  
Sarah Gaspard  
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Katharine Schendel  
Nick Manzo

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Administrator  
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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

February 26, 2023

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

## Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude Katharine Schendel

Silent Meditation

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: All kinds of troubles will strike the wicked,  
**People: but your kindness shields those who trust you, Lord.**

Opening Prayer (in unison)

**Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with your most gracious favor and further us with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally, by your mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**  
*(Gregorian Sacramentary—10<sup>th</sup> century)*

\*Opening Song "For the Beauty of the Earth" Blue #473

Call to Confession

Leader: Before I confessed my sins, my bones felt limp,  
**People: and I groaned all day long.**  
Leader: Let us confess our sin together.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

**God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by**

our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait.

Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Lord, you are my hiding place!

**People: Protect me from trouble...**

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 Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Special Music Nick Manzo

Epistle Reading Romans 5:12-19

New Testament Reading Matthew 4:1-11

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.

\*Hymn "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" Blue #78

## 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 Blue #527

"Near to the Heart of God"

\*Benediction Rev. Pat Wadsworth

\*Postlude Katharine Schendel



\*Those that are able please stand.