

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. For Pastoral Care, please contact Rev. Pat at 337-781-1806 or at wadp1@msn.com.

THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH:

Sunday, March 12

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

Thursday, March 16

2:15 p.m. – MDO Board Meeting

Sunday, March 19

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:

2023 CHURCH DIRECTORIES – are printed and ready for you to pick up a copy (or 2). A lot of information has changed since our 2022 directory. They are located on the table outside the Sanctuary today.

EASTER LILIES – will be **sold after worship on Sunday, March 19th, March 26th & April 2nd**. Make sure to fill out an order form to let us know who to put your Lilies “in honor of” or “in memory of”. **Cost is \$12.00 each.** (cash or checks payable to Grace Church)

MDO BOARD MEETING – will be on **Thursday, March 16th** at **2:15 p.m.** Please let Tim Conner know if you are on the board and cannot attend this meeting.

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)

Betty Couch

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
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
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

March 12, 2023

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude Katharine Schendel

Silent Meditation

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Sing joyful songs to the Lord!

People: Praise the mighty rock where we are safe.

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits which you have won for us, for all the pains and insults which you have borne for us. O most merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother, may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day.

Amen. (*Richard of Chichester—c. 1197-1253*)

*Opening Song

Blue #446

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

Call to Confession

Leader: Bow down and worship the Lord our Creator!

People: The Lord is our God, and we are his people, the sheep he takes care of in his own pasture.

Leader: Let us confess our sin together to our loving Shepherd.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God our Creator, we thank you that among all that you have created, you have made us to love one

another and to love You! We also thank you that you care about us and our needs and worries, and that you listen when we call for help. We confess that we often lose sight of your goodness, rushing through our lives as if we were completely in charge. At the same time, we are usually slow to turn to you in our need, trying instead to solve all our problems for ourselves. Forgive us, we pray, and draw us once again into your care, where we belong; in Jesus' name, amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Come to worship Him

People: with thankful hearts and songs of praise.

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 Exodus 17:1-7

Special Music Nick Manzo

Epistle Reading Romans 5:1-11

New Testament Reading John 4:5-42

Message Rev. Pat Wadsworth

Ordination & Installation of Officers *(see insert)*

*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 *"Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove"* Blue #126

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 #281
"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

*Benediction Rev. Pat Wadsworth

*Postlude Katharine Schendel