

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 19

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

Monday, March 20

11:00 a.m. – PW Circle Meeting

Tuesday, March 21

6:00 p.m. – Session Meeting

Sunday, March 26

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 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)

PW CIRCLE MEETING – will be on **Monday, March 20th at 11:00 a.m.** at the home of Sandy Stewart. All women are invited to join us for Bible Study & Fellowship.

SESSION MEETING – will be on **Tuesday, March 21st at 6:00 p.m.** Please let Rev. Pat know if you cannot attend.

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
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Katharine Schendel
Nick Manzo

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Music Director

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Unashamed in
Jesus’ Name, we will

Gather, Grow, and Go

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Celebration of Worship

March 19, 2023

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude Katharine Schendel

Silent Meditation

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: You, Lord, are my shepherd.

People: I will never be in need.

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Give me, O Lord, a steadfast heart, which no unworthy affection may drag downward; give me an unconquered heart, which no tribulation can wear out; give me an upright heart, which no unworthy purpose may tempt aside. Bestow on me also, O Lord my God, understanding to know you, diligence to seek you, wisdom to find you, and a faithfulness that may finally embrace you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Thomas Aquinas—c. 1225-1274)

*Opening Song Blue #170

"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

Call to Confession

Leader: Lord, you are true to your name,

People: and you lead me along the right paths.

Leader: Let us confess our sin together to the Shepherd of our souls.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Heavenly Father, you have taught us through both the prophets and through Jesus that you are our

Good Shepherd, looking after our every need and leading us safely along life's paths. Still, like wayward sheep, we so often choose to venture out away from you into unknown trails, seeking "adventure" and independence. Forgive us, we pray, and do not stop seeking us out amidst trouble, and leading us back into the right ways and the fellowship of your sheep. We ask these things in the name and for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Lord, you lead me to streams of peaceful water,

People: and you refresh my life.

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 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Special Music Nick Manzo

Epistle Reading Ephesians 5:8-14

New Testament Reading John 9

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 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" Blue #387

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 #280

"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

*Benediction Rev. Pat Wadsworth

*Postlude Katharine Schendel



*Those that are able please stand.