

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, April 21

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. – After Church Refreshments

Sunday, April 28

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. – After Church Refreshments

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRACEVINE NEWSLETTER INFO – If you have anything for the May Newsletter, please get it to Sarah in the Church Office by **Wednesday, April 24th**.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS – If you would like to bring flowers on Sundays for a special occasion (*birthdays, anniversaries, etc.*), we would love to celebrate your special day with you. Please let the office know which Sunday you would like so we can include it in our Sunday bulletin that week.

REFRESHMENTS – After Worship each Sunday we gather in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments & fellowship time. If you would like to bring a snack for everyone to enjoy, please let the office know or one of our “kitchen ladies” which Sunday you would like. We need more volunteers!

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

Katherine Hess

Donna Causey

Greta Halphen

Elke Hitt

Betty Adams

Pam Fontenot

Jim & Jean McLain

Bill & Bette Grubb

Mary Ann Daigle

Mary Lou Montgomery

Family of Michael Jamison (Katharine Schendel)

Mrs. Peebles (Gail Rea)

Troy & Melanie Lillie (Sarah Gaspard)

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

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

April 21, 2024

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude Katharine Schendel

Silent Meditation

Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 23 (please read from the scripture insert in unison)

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Loving God, we are the sheep of your hand, the people of your pasture. You know us; we are yours. You call us; we listen for your voice. Protect us from false leaders and hired hands, who would seek to snatch us from safety. Keep us in the security of your fold, and unite us with your people in all the earth. By your Spirit, make us one flock, one people; through the one who laid down his life for us, Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd. Amen.

*Hymn Blue #170
"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

Call to Confession

Leader: Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross,

People: so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness.

Leader: Let us confess our sin together to the god of righteousness.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Shepherd of our souls, we give you thanks for the care with which you know each of us intimately, and watch out for the dangers in our path. Forgive us, we pray, for

all the times we ignore, or even defy your gentle leading. Pull us back from danger, continue to show us the right ways, and lead us into the ways of peace and life for evermore; in the name of Jesus our Savior, amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: The same God who so faithfully provides for our needs,

People: also forgives us our sins through Christ our Lord.

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 Acts 4:5-12

Special Music Katharine Schendel

Epistle Reading 1 John 3:16-24

New Testament Reading John 10:11-18

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 "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought!" Red #338

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 #171
"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

*Benediction Rev. Pat Wadsworth

*Postlude Katharine Schendel



*Those that are able please stand

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 today. Please place the completed card in the offering plate which is also located in the same area so we can have a record of you joining us today.