

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.

Nursery provided in Room 4 on Sunday Mornings.

THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH:

Sunday, August 15

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

Sunday, August 22

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10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SUNDAY SCHOOL – is held on Sunday Mornings at **9:30 a.m.** in the Session Room. Today we began **a *Brief Statement of Faith (PCUSA—1983)*** which is a 7-part study. Masks are required for everyone who attends.

FLOWER SIGNUP - a sheet is located outside the Sanctuary to sign up to bring flowers on Sundays to place in the Sanctuary. We need more volunteers! Consider signing up today!

MDO OPENINGS – The Grace Mother’s Day Out Program currently has openings. If you know someone looking for childcare, please have them contact our MDO directors at 337-993-1231 or mdoatgrace@gmail.com. Grace MDO is open on Tues., Wed. and Thurs. from 9am-2pm.

FACE MASKS/DISTANCING – seems we have had to take a step back with the COVID cases increasing in our area. The Grace Session has voted to reinstitute our church’s previous mitigation measures. Please make sure to wear a mask when inside Grace Church and keep a 6’ distance (unless you are in the same family). Full details were on the front page of our August Newsletter.

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

Jean McLain
Katharine Schendel
Pam Fontenot
Catherine Sarwar
Ellyn Macpherson
Mary Ann Daigle
Ray Montgomery
Elaine Hamm

Steve Thompson (Grubb’s)

Linda Scholes (Jean McLain)
Jennifer Artigue (MDO)
David Faherty (Sandy Stewart)

Family & Friends of Scott Dore (Donna Causey)

Family of Ken Bourg (Katharine Schendel)
Troy & Melanie Lillie (Sarah Gaspard)
John Hebert (Sarah Gaspard)
Mildred & Maryann Baker (William Baker)
Joyce Sorbet (Nick Manzo)
Peggy Taylor (Linda Griffis-Smart)
Claire Guidry (Lana Gaspard)
Norma White (Terry Wolford)
Cherry Taylor (Betty Couch)
Michelle Shipley (Betty Couch)
The Boyette Family (Montgomery)
Calen Rodgers Aultman (Carol Rodgers)



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

August 15, 2021

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude Katharine Schendel

Silent Meditation

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord God is famous for his wonderful deeds,

People: and he is kind and merciful.

*Opening Song "O God of Earth and Space" Blue #274

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts. Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that all people may know the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Call to Confession

Leader: God is always honest and fair,

People: and his laws can be trusted.

Leader: Because God is always fair, let us confess our sin together.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, sometimes it appears that those who are dishonest and unfair get ahead in this world, and it can be tempting to follow their example. Help us to trust your laws instead, knowing that in the end, your truth will always win. Forgive us when we

become impatient with the unfolding of your kingdom and true justice, and teach us to live daily after the example of our Savior, Jesus Christ; in whose name we make our prayer. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Respect and obey the Lord!

People: This is the first step to wisdom and good sense.

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 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14

Special Music Nick Manzo

Epistle Reading Ephesians 5:15-20

New Testament Reading John 6:51-58

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 Blue #387

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

*Benediction Rev. Pat Wadsworth

*Postlude Katharine Schendel



*Those who are able, please stand.

**Please silence cell phones.

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.