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, August 24

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. – After Church Refreshments

Sunday, August 31

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

AFTER CHURCH REFRESHMENTS – **Today after Worship**, we will have refreshments in the Fellowship Hall. We invite everyone to join us for snacks & Fellowship Time.

NEWSLETTER INFO – if you have anything for the September Church Newsletter, please get it to Sarah by Monday, August 25th.

BULLETIN INSERT – today you will find an insert in your bulletin about alternating worship locations for a short period of time. Please read and if you have any questions, please feel free to ask a member of the Grace Session or a member of the Church Staff.

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 in the same area)* so we can have a record of you joining us today!

Grace Presbyterian prays for……(new in bold)

Sue Blackshear
David Causey
Bill Grubb
Joyce Guillot
Betty Tucker
Katherine Hess
Elke Hitt
Betty Adams
Jim & Jean McLain
Mary Ann Daigle
Mary Lou Montgomery
Family of John Turner
Camille Hensaling Mahtook (Donna Causey)
Linda Johnson (Alicia – MDO)
Steve Sanders (Pam Sanders)
Larry Schendel
Chuck Pickett (Causey's)
Sandy Self (Donna Causey)
Rozlyn Murphy (Nick Manzo)
April Grigg Manzo (Nick Manzo)
Byron Hebert (Betty Couch)
Jacquie Mauter Family (Causey's)
Jim & Jean McLain's Family
Anita Stamm Spears (Betty Couch)
Suzy Stewart (Sandy Stewart)
Mrs. Peebles (Gail Rea)
Troy & Melanie Lillie (Sarah Gaspard)
Joyce Sorbet (Nick Manzo)
Sherri Elter (Danny Jones)
Alice Guillotte (Betty Adams)
Ms. Mary Jo Brook
Linda Scholes (Jean McLain)

Grace Presbyterian Staff

Pat Wadsworth	Interim Pastor
Sarah Gaspard	Administrator
Gray Guillot	Custodian
Katharine Schendel	Organist/Pianist
Nick Manzo	Music Director

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Celebration of Worship

August 24, 2025

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude — Katharine Schendel

Silent Meditation

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: We must keep our eyes on Jesus,
People: who leads us and makes our faith complete.

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, you have taught us that all our deeds without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the very bond of peace and of all goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Hymn *"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"* Blue #281

Call to Confession

Leader: Lord, you do what is right, so come to my rescue.
People: Listen to my prayer and keep me safe.
Leader: Let us confess our sin together to God our refuge.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God our Father, we give you thanks that amidst all trials and troubles of this life, you remain our constant source of care and protection. While we confess our own fault in so many of our daily problems, we also profess our faith in your unfailing love and willingness to come to our aid. Forgive us, we pray, for so easily giving in to our frustration and self-pity, instead of relying on you to keep us strong and on the right path. Open our eyes again to your hand in our lives, strengthen us, and confirm our hope that we may one day be your faithful people, the Body of Christ; in whose name we ask, amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Lord, I depend on you, and I have trusted you since I was young.
People: I have relied on you from the day I was born.
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 — Jeremiah 1:4-10

Special Music — Nick Manzo

Epistle Reading — Hebrews 12:18-29

New Testament Reading — Luke 13:10-17

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 Blue #426

"Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak"

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 *"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"* Blue #438

*Benediction — Rev Pat Wadsworth

*Postlude — Katharine Schendel

*Those that are able please stand