

Grace Community Presbyterian Church

January 11, 2026



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Thought for Meditation

When Herod was dead — His death, of which Josephus has given us a very affecting account, happened, according to some, within three or four months of his perpetrating the above-mentioned bloody act, and was a fearful instance of that vengeance which God, even in this world, sometimes takes on his enemies, and those of his people. He died eaten with worms, at the age of seventy-one, after a reign of forty years, having endured such excruciating, lingering, and loathsome diseases, as rendered him intolerable to himself and others also. And his innate cruelty being thus exasperated, he became more barbarous than ever, and just before his death caused Antipater, his son and the heir apparent of his kingdom, to be executed on some groundless suspicion. God, it seems, made him, in a remarkable manner, a terror to himself and to all round about him. Eusebius, the ancient ecclesiastical historian, thought his death so great an illustration of the gospel history, that he has inserted it at large in his work. *Benson Commentary*

—GATHERING —

Prelude

“Partita on “Terra Beata”
(This is My Father’s World)

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Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

***Call To Worship**

Psalm 29:1-11

Rev. Paul Milz

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, people of God; ascribe to His glory and strength.

People: We gather to honor the Lord, God of glory,

who shows His might in thunder and speaks through the storm.

Leader: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty

People: We come before Him, ready to hear His voice and respond in worship

Leader: Let us worship the Lord, the God of glory

All: Together, we seek the Lord with all our hearts. Amen!

*** Hymn of Praise**

“Come Christians Join to Sing”

#225

***Prayer of Confession**

Hebrews 4:16

“Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.”

Friends, let us seek God's forgiveness and mercy.

Gracious and loving God,

We come before You, acknowledging our sins. Like Joseph, who was guided by Your angel, we often stray from Your paths, seeking our own way and forgetting the peace You offer. Forgive us for choosing fear over faith and silence over Your calling. Help us hear Your voice amidst the world’s noise. Cleanse our hearts of doubt and fill us with courage to trust in Your plan. As we start this new month in this new year, make us anew so that we may serve You with commitment and an open heart. Amen

Silent Prayer of Confession...

Sharing Joys and Concerns and the Lord's Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

Proverbs 3:9

"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops."

Offertory

"Voluntary on "Crimond"

Warner

*** Doxology**

#815

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all Creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer of Dedication (*in unison*)

Generous God, we give You thanks for all Your blessings to us. Use these gifts we offer as a sign of Your great love for the world, so that all may know and share the abundance of Your grace; in Your holy name we pray. Amen.

— SENDING —

*** Hymn of Dedication** "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness (vs. 1-2) #293

*** Charge and Benediction** *2 Corinthians 13:14*

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
The love of God our Father,
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **Amen**

*** Congregational Response** "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness" (vs. 3) #293

*** Postlude**

"Fanfare in C"

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*PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

Welcome to Grace Community Presbyterian Church

We extend a warm welcome to all worshipping with us today and we hope that you will return. Please join us for Coffee Fellowship in Cana Hall (located downstairs).



Rev. Dr. Ojulu (Pastor Owar) is available anytime if you have any concerns, want to schedule a meeting, or if you need a prayer. You can contact him at the office @ 724-339-9661 or his cell 507-304-5958.



Help fill shoeboxes all year long! Samaritan's Purse recommends hats, gloves, scarves for the month of January for Operation Christmas Child. Donations may be placed in the OCC box in the Narthex. Thank you.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS-ANNIVERSARIES

January 17- Debbie Acre

January 21- Randy & Cindy Daughtry

January 21- Cheryl Landis

January 26- Bill Ludwig

January 29- Ammani Ojha

If your name does not appear, or if the listed information is incorrect, please contact the church office so that the records can be updated.

This Week's Calendar

January 11, 2026- January 17, 2026

Today	Worship	10:00am
	Congregational Meeting	11:00am
	Coffee Fellowship	11:00am
	Adult Sunday School	11:00am
Thursday	Boy Scouts Den Meeting	6:00pm

Looking Ahead

January 18, 2026- January 24, 2026

January 18	Worship	10:00am
	Deacons Meeting	11:00am
	Coffee Fellowship	11:00am
	Adult Sunday School	11:00am
January 19	Sewing Group	1:00pm
January 22	Boy Scouts Den Meeting	6:00pm
	Ladies Group	6:30pm
January 24	Knead Café'	8am-12p

Sermon Notes:

For Sunday __/__/____

Scripture Reference _____

What spoke to my heart from today's sermon:

Prayer Concerns for this week:



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