

Grace Community Presbyterian Church
August 23, 2026



— GATHERING —

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

***Call To Worship** *Psalm 111-1-10*

Michael Cochenour

L: I will extol the Lord with all my heart
in the council of the upright and in the assembly.

L: Great are the works of the Lord;
they are pondered by all who delight in them.

***All: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
all who follow His precepts have good understanding.
To Him eternal praise belongs. Praise the Lord!***

*** Hymn of Praise** "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

#21

***Prayer of Confession** *1 John 1:9*

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. Friends, let us confess our transgressions and be healed.

Loving Lord,

We know that we often move ahead without seeking Your guidance and ways, trusting our plans more than Your presence. Forgive us for wanting Your gifts while neglecting communion with You. Teach us, as Moses prayed, to know Your ways and to move only when we hear that You're going before and with us. If Your presence does not lead us, Lord Jesus, do not let us go forward. In mercy, draw us near again. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession...

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

Psalm 86: 5

For the Lord is good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon Him. Grace church, believe this Good News of Gospel!

All: In Christ Jesus, we are forgiven, renewed, and sent. Amen!

*** Passing of the Peace**

John 14:27

L: "Peace, I leave with you; My peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your heart be troubled and do not be afraid."

The peace of Christ be with you all.

P: And also, with you.

Please pass the peace of Christ to your neighbors in the pews and introduce yourself to those you do not know.

— THE WORD —

Prayer for illumination

Scripture

Exodus 33:13-15

Sermon

"The Danger of Going Alone"

Sharing Joys and Concerns and the Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

— SENDING —

* **Hymn of Dedication** “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” (v.1-2) #575

* **Charge and Benediction** 2 Cor. 13:13

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. **Amen.**

* **Congregational Response** “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” (v.3) #575

* **Postlude**

*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 stay after worship for a congregational picnic lunch.



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 for the month of August school supplies (usually on sale at this time) for Operation Christmas Child. Donations may be placed in the OCC box in the Narthex. Thank you.

The Choir will resume 9am practices on Sunday, September 13th. Any and all are welcome to "Make a Joyful Noise".

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Holiday Vendor/Craft Fair to benefit Operation Christmas Child- Saturday, November 7th from 10am-3pm. Details to follow in a bit but we will be continuing the Basket Raffle and have added a Grab 'N Go Food Items for all you Grace Church bakers (cookies) who would like to participate.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

August 4- Randy Daughtry

August 10- Beulah Brown

August 14- Rich Acre

August 22- Quintin McGeary

August 23- Margie Bistline

August 25- Scott Rupert

August 1- Mike and Sue Pish

August 5- Scott and Sharon Rupert

August 16- Lee & Linda Johnson

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

August 23, 2026- August 29, 2026

Today	Worship- VFW Pavillion	10:00am
	Picnic Lunch	11:00am
Monday	Session Meeting	6:30pm
Tuesday	Lions Club Meeting-Cana Hall	4:00pm
Wednesday	Cross Currents- Assemble/Mail	9:00am
	Cub Scouts	6:00pm

Looking Ahead

August 30, 2026- September 5, 2026

August 30	Worship-	10:00am
	Coffee Fellowship	11:00am
Sept. 2	Cub Scouts- Cana Hall	6:00pm
Sept. 3	Ladies Group	6:30pm

Sermon Notes:

For Sunday __/__/____Scripture Reference _____

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