

Welcome to Worship

at

Grace

Presbyterian Church PCA

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MEDITATION

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Christ went more readily to the cross than we do to the throne of grace.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 12:22-29

You have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse him who is speaking... And let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.

JESUS, THANK YOU

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The myst'ry of the cross I cannot comprehend,
The agonies of Calvary.
You, the perfect Holy One, crushed Your Son
Who drank the bitter cup reserved for me.

CHORUS

Your blood has washed away my sin; Jesus, thank You.
The Father's wrath completely satisfied; Jesus, thank You.
Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table;
Jesus, thank You.

By Your perfect sacrifice I've been brought near,
Your enemy You've made Your friend.
Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace,
Your mercy and Your kindness know no end. (Chorus)

THERE IS A FOUNTAIN FILLED WITH BLOOD

There is a fountain filled with blood,
drawn from Immanuel's veins;
and sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
lose all their guilty stains:
lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains;
and sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day;
and there have I, as vile as he,
washed all my sins away:
washed all my sins away, washed all my sins away;
and there have I, as vile as he,
washed all my sins away.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream
your flowing wounds supply,
redeeming love has been my theme,
and shall be till I die:
and shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;
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and shall be till I die.

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CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty and holy Father; we confess that we are unworthy of Your unspeakable gifts. We confess we have lived in selfishness and worldly pride; we have not well used the good gifts You have bestowed upon us. We have not loved You as we ought; nor have we always been loving to one another; kindhearted, forgiving one another; even as You have forgiven us. Please, Father, pardon and blot out our offenses and have compassion on us. Help us to know our sin which made it needful for Jesus to suffer and to die for our salvation. Father, give us a true longing to be free from sin, through the deliverance provided by Jesus Christ our only Redeemer and His shed blood which cleanses from all unrighteousness. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 5:9-11

Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

WCF 25.2-3

The visible Church, which is also catholic or universal under the gospel (not confined to one nation as before under the law) consists of all those, throughout the world, that profess the true religion, and of their children; and is the kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ, the house and family of God, out of which there is no ordinary possibility of salvation.

Unto this catholic visible Church Christ hath given the ministry, oracles, and ordinances of God, for the gathering and perfecting of the saints, in this life, to the end of the world: and does by his own presence and Spirit, according to his promise, make them effectual thereunto.

PRAYER FOR PASTOR SEARCH TEAM

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

GLORIA PATRI Hymn #735

DEACON’S OFFERTORY PRAYER

OH, HOW GOOD IT IS
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Oh, how good it is when the family of God
Dwells together in spirit, in faith and unity.
Where the bonds of peace, of acceptance and love
Are the fruit of His presence here among us.

CHORUS
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord;
And with one heart we'll live out His word.
Till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come
For He dwells in the presence of His people.

Oh, how good it is on this journey we share
To rejoice with the happy and weep with those who mourn.
For the weak find strength, the afflicted find grace
When we offer the blessing of belonging. (Chorus)

Oh, how good it is to embrace His command
To prefer one another, forgive as He forgives.
When we live as one we all share in the love
Of the Son with the Father and the Spirit. (Chorus)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER Hymnal, inside cover

SERMON Arch Van Devender
"The Soul of a True Church"
Acts 2:36-47

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS Hymn #252

LORD'S SUPPER

PSALM 122A

I was filled with joy and gladness
when they said with one accord,
"Let us make our pilgrim journey
to the house of God the LORD."
O Jerus'lem, O Jerus'lem,
we are standing in your gates;
we are standing in your gates.

As a city bound together
is Jerusalem designed.
There, by law, the tribes ascending
thank the LORD in praise combined.
Thrones of David, thrones of David,
there for royal justice stand;
there for royal justice stand.

Pray for peace, the peace of Zion:
"Prosper those who love you well!"
Peace be in your walls forever;
safety in your towers dwell!"
Peace and safety, peace and safety
in Jerusalem abound;
in Jerusalem abound.

For the sake of my companions,
for my brothers, I will say:
"May God's peace abide within you!"
For the temple's sake I pray.
For the LORD's house, for the LORD's house
I will ever seek your good;
I will ever seek your good.

BENEDICTION

Bread is gluten-free

NURSERY PROVIDED DURING WORSHIP
(INFANT – UP TO AGE 3) ROOM #201

JOIN US AFTER WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR

CHILDREN CLASSES	ADULT CLASSES
PRE-K & K - ROOM 101	‘THE STORY OF JOSEPH AND JUDAH’ ROOM 108
1 ST – 2 ND GRADES - ROOM 105	WOMEN’S CLASS WILL RESUME IN SEPTEMBER
3 RD – 5 TH GRADES - ROOM 102	‘A CLASH OF KINGDOMS’ FELLOWSHIP HALL
MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL - ROOM 104	

If you’re new to Grace, we are thankful you are here to worship with us! Please complete a **Welcome Card** or a **Prayer Request Card** from the back of the pew and place it in the offering basket, Elder’s Box or hand it to the pastor.

Check your inbox for the weekly church email, “**This Week at Grace**” or visit the church website ‘**Events**’ & ‘**Groups**’.

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