



GRACE

Presbyterian Church

November 2, 2025

44th Lord's Day of 2025

Sunday Morning Divine Service – 9:30am
Reformation Day Joint Evening Service – 4:00pm

Morning Divine Service

Time of Preparation

The Lord has set aside this Day to meet with His people. Use this time to prepare yourself for entering His presence by praying, such as this prayer.

Votum

This prayer expresses our need for the Lord's help to worship Him properly.

Call to Worship

The Lord summons us as His people to enter into His presence on the Lord's day (Psalm 100:4-5)

Hymn of Approach

Singing praise is our first response as we enter His gates with thanksgiving (Psalm 95:2)

Preparation for Worship

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. (Colossians 3:1-4)

Prayer of Preparation

O Lord, enable me this morning to worship You in sincerity and in truth. Help me to receive again Your gracious service to me in the Word and Sacrament. Help me to give to You the praise due Your name, the Father who loves me, the Son who died for me, and the Spirit who helps me walk in newness of life. Amen.

— GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM —

Votum – *Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth. Amen.* (Psalm 124:8)

* Call to Worship – Psalm 66:1-4

Minister: This is the day that the LORD has made;

People: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Let us worship the Triune God!

* Hymn of Approach

#236 Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven

Prayer of Adoration

* Please stand as you are able.

— GOD RENEWS US IN CHRIST —

Confession of Sin:

Merciful Father, we openly acknowledge and confess our sin to You. Our transgressions are many. We have been slow to do good and quick to do evil. We have allowed our hearts to grow cold in love for You. At times we have loved the things of this world more than You, our Creator and Redeemer. We have not loved You as we ought, and we have not grieved over our sins as we ought. In Your mercy, forgive us and renew our hearts. Blot out our transgressions for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ. By Your Spirit, enliven us to love You more and to walk in Your ways. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

* Assurance of Pardon – John 3:16

Minister: Therefore, as Christ's minister and by His authority, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins; in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

* Hymn of Thanksgiving

#459 My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

* Profession of Faith – Apostles' Creed pg 851

Grace of God's Law – Exodus 20:1-17

* Gloria Patri

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.

Confession of Sin

Entering the presence of Almighty God, we are made aware of our own sinfulness and guilt. We humble ourselves and ask for the forgiveness of sins based on the work of Jesus alone. (Psalm 66:18)

Assurance of Pardon

God declares His forgiveness to all who trust in Christ. We stand firm in the truth of this good news. (Romans 5:1-2)

Hymn of Thanksgiving

Our response to the promise of deliverance is to offer thanksgiving. (Exodus 15)

Profession of Faith

God demands that we make personal, public profession of our faith. We join with the universal, historic faith of the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ. (Matthew 10:32-33)

Grace of God's Law

We are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works. (Ephesians 2:10) After God announces our deliverance through Christ, God gives His law to summarize our duty as redeemed saints.

Tithes and Offerings

As a sign of our thankful dedication to the Lord, we tithe a tenth of the profit which the Lord has blessed us and any freewill offering over and above.

(Leviticus 27:30-32)

Prayers of Intercession

Having been forgiven and renewed in Christ, we now confidently approach the throne of grace to pray for the church and the world.

(Hebrews 4:14-16)

Scripture Reading

God speaks to His people through the reading of His inspired Word and we hear it.

(Amos 4:1)

Sermon

Christ equips and matures us through the preaching of His Word and we joyfully receive it.

(Ephesians 4:12 -16)

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

* Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Intercession & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* Old Testament Reading – Psalm 24

Elder: *The grass withers and the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.* (Isaiah 40:8)

People: **Amen**

* Sermon Text – James 4:1-12

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon – Warning Against Worldliness

Rev. Judson Marvel

— GOD FEEDS US AT HIS BANQUET TABLE —

* Hymn of Preparation

#229 Holy God, We Praise Your Name

The Administration of the Table

Sursum Corda

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks.

The Lord's Supper

— GOD BLESSES & SENDS US OUT —

* Hymn of Response

#252 This Is My Father's World

* Benediction

* Congregational Threefold Amen

The Lord's Table

The Lord prepares a visible sign of the peace we have with Him through the once for all sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. By faith in Christ, we receive God's gift for our spiritual nourishment and growth. (1 Corinthians 11:24-26)

Benediction

In this final act, God assures us of His peace, promises, and presence as we return to the world. (Luke 24:50)

Sermon Notes:

“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.” (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

What doctrine does this teach?

What unsound teaching does this reprove?

How does it correct our wayward living?

How does it train us to walk in righteousness?

Additional Morning Service Notes:

Missionaries of the Month

Veritas Christian Community School in Sierra Vista has provided a classical Christian education to students grades K-12 since opening in 2000. Here are some specific prayer requests for the next school year:

- Pray the school and staff will always seek to honor our Lord and Savior and His will for the Veritas ministry.
- Pray He will continue to provide for the needs of the school in finances, in staff, and in student numbers.
- Pray for specific funding for the development of our playground structure, shade, and additional play areas
- Pray for favor in the resolution of ongoing serious problems with our HVAC system.
- Praise God for the opportunities our students have had this quarter:
 - Robotics Team (5th – 7th) is building, programming, researching, and preparing to compete on Nov 8!
 - Mountain Bike Team (7th – 12th) finished the regular season placing 6th in the state! Individual riders are preparing for finals to be held Nov 1-2 at Wren Arena on Ft Huachuca.
 - Girls Volleyball (8th-12th), Girls Volleyball will play in the season play-offs Nov 3-6

Matt and Sarah Esswein, serving at University of Arizona through Reformed University Fellowship (RUF), the campus ministry organization of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). Matt shares the following prayer requests:

- Pray for our upcoming events specifically: Veteran's Day Hang (11/11), Hike (11/15), Friendsgiving (11/20), Christmas Party (12/6). Pray that these would be opportunities to welcome students well as we have been welcomed by Christ (Romans 15:7) and for students to experience Christ's love.
- Pray for Graduating Seniors and their opportunity to share about their experience within RUF on Tuesday, 12/2. (Praise God for 5 students graduating this December!)
- Pray for End-of-Year fundraising as we seek to raise \$75,000 by 12/31 to finish the year well and start 2026 with excitement for what God will do.
- Pray for encouragement and rest for our staff (Matt, Russ, Paige) as we have been pushing hard these first couple months of the semester and are seeing great fruit, but also feeling tired.

Building Blocks

Pillar Verse

But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

James 4:6

Weekly Bible Reading

	New Testament Readings	Psalms Reading
Sunday, November 2	Acts 3, Hebrews 5	Psalm 92
Monday, November 3	Acts 4, Hebrews 6	Psalm 93
Tuesday, November 4	Acts 5, Hebrews 7	Psalm 94
Wednesday, November 5	Acts 6, Hebrews 8	Psalm 95
Thursday, November 6	Acts 7, Hebrews 9	Psalm 96
Friday, November 7	Acts 8, Hebrews 10	Psalm 97
Saturday, November 8	Acts 9, Hebrews 11	Psalm 98

The Coming Week at GPC

Today

9:30am – Morning Service
11:15am – Sunday School for All Ages
4:00pm – Joint Reformation Service
with our sister congregation
United Korean PCA

Friday, 11/7

5:30pm – Potluck dinners followed by
6:30pm – Covenant Family Groups

Saturday, 11/8

10:00am – Women's Large Group Bible
Study

Wednesday, 11/5

4:30pm – Session Meeting
6:30pm – Midweek Prayer Service

Sunday, 11/9

9:30am – Morning Service
11:15am – Sunday School for All Ages
5:00pm – Evening Service

Music for Next Lord's Day, Sunday 11/9/2025

Morning Service

227 – How Great Thou Art
340 – There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood
202 – Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face
256 – God Moves in a Mysterious Way

Evening Service

45B – My Heart Does Overflow
65A – Praise Waits for You in Zion
509 – Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?

Announcements

Shared Reformation Evening Service Tonight at 4pm

Tonight's evening service will be a joint service shared with our sister church, the United Korean PCA church. *The service will start at 4pm.* Even if you don't regularly come to evening service, please join us this afternoon to celebrate the Reformation with our sister church members.

Cards of Encouragement and Birthday/Anniversary Calendar Update

Please stop by to sign and write a short note to those who are celebrating birthdays/anniversaries this month or to build up our missionaries! Let's be a family who joins in celebrations with one another!

The calendar which is used to plan all these cards will be on the table in the foyer. If you would like to receive anniversary and/or birthday cards, please add or update the information in the calendar.

Women's Bible Study Reading and Meeting

The reading for the week starting November 3rd is John 21:1-25. Be sure to check in with your accountability person or team to share what the reading meant to you.

The final large group study will be held here at the church on Saturday, November 8th at 10am.

Covenant Family Groups

The Covenant Family groups (previously Friday Family Bible Study) will meet the first and third Friday of each month. The groups will begin with a potluck meal beginning around 5:30pm then discuss Pastor Jud's sermons on the book of James followed by a time of prayer.

Led by Ruling Elder Max Ellis

Hosted by the Ellis Family

3833 Loma Ventosa, Sierra Vista

Contact Mindy @mindy.ellis@yahoo.com

Led by Pastor Emeritus Ken Roth

Meeting at the church

4950 E Camino Segundo, Sierra Vista

Contact Susi @ SuzanneHelps@gmail.com

Youth Night Friday, November 14th

All youth ages 12-18 are invited to come to the Ellisons' home for a time of fun, fellowship, and Godly discussion. Come at 6pm. Dinner will be provided. An Elder will lead bible study and discussion, followed by prayer and fellowship. Contact Ryan or Molly with any questions.

Save the Date – Hike on Saturday, November 15th

Please mark your calendars for a church hike in Brown Canyon led by Pastor Ken on Saturday, November 15th, meeting at 8am. More information will come closer to the date.

Music Ministry Opportunities

We will have both adult and children's choirs for Christmas Eve service. More information will be shared later in the month, but the dates and times of rehearsal are on the calendar on the next page.

Also, anyone who would like to make a musical offering (vocal or instrumental, solo or ensemble) during offertory, communion, or especially on Christmas Eve should talk with Pastor Jud or Susi Childress.

Looking Ahead through the End of the Year

- Tue Nov 5th 4:30pm – Session Meeting
- Fri Nov 7th 5:30pm – Covenant Family Groups potluck and study
- Sat Nov 8th 10:00am – Women’s Large Group Bible Study
- Frid Nov 14th 6:00pm – Youth Night at the Ellison’s home
- Sat Nov 15th 8:00am – Church Hike in Brown Canyon
- Tues Nov 18th 3:00pm – Women’s Ministry Meeting
- Wed Nov 19th 4:30pm – Joint Session & Deacons Meeting
- Thurs Nov 20th through Fri Nov 28th – Office Closed*
- Fri Nov 21st 5:30pm – Covenant Family Groups potluck and study
- Mon Nov 24th 5:00pm – Christmas Decorating party at church
- Mon Nov 24th through Sun Dec 7th – Pastor Marvel out on Study Leave*
- Sun Nov 30th 8:00am – Worship Music Rehearsal
immediately after AM service – Adult Christmas Choir rehearsal
- Fri Dec 5th 5:30pm – Final Covenant Family Groups potluck and study of 2025
- Sat Dec 6th 10:00am – Women’s Christmas Event
- Sun Dec 7th 8:30am – Adult Christmas Choir Rehearsal
immediately after AM service – Children’s Christmas Choir rehearsal
also immediately after AM service – Cards of Encouragement Table open
- Wed Dec 10th 4:30pm – Mission Team Meeting
- Sat Dec 13th 6:30am – Men’s Group Study
- Sun Dec 14th 8:30am – Adult Christmas Choir Rehearsal
immediately after AM service – Children’s Christmas Choir rehearsal
- Sun Dec 14th 8:30am – Adult Christmas Choir Rehearsal
immediately after AM service – Children’s Christmas Choir rehearsal
- Wed Dec 17th 4:30pm – Session Meeting
- Sun Dec 21st 8:30am – Adult Christmas Choir Rehearsal
immediately after AM service – Children’s Christmas Choir rehearsal
- Wed Dec 24th 6:30pm – Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols service
- Thurs Dec 25th through Fri Jan 2nd – Office Closed*

Who may come to the Lord's Table?

The Lord's Supper is for all who are baptized and a professing member in good standing at a church that professes the gospel. The Lord prepares the table for those displeased with themselves because of their sins, but who nevertheless trust that their sins are pardoned and that their continuing weakness is covered by the blood of Christ, and who desire more and more to strengthen their faith and to walk by the Spirit.

But those who are unbelieving or living in ungodliness should not come to the table until they reform their lives, for one should not dishonor God's covenant and bring down his anger upon the entire congregation. Instead, use this time to meditate on the following prayer: *Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Lord and Savior. Amen.*

How do I learn more about the church?

Pastor Marvel offers a Grace 101 class periodically. This class introduces interested visitors to the beliefs of our church and life together in this church family. Please contact Pastor Jud if you are interested in attending the next class.

The Nursery & Training Room

Worship is the act of all God's people. We welcome children to worship with us! We do have a nursery (infant to 3yo) located in the last room on the left at the end of the hallway. We also have a training room in the back of the auditorium to train your young children both to sit quietly and participate as appropriate throughout the service.

Attendance & Giving Updates

<i>As of 11/2/2025</i>	10/26/2025	2025 Totals: (as of 10/26/2025)	2025 Budget Deficit <i>As of 10/31/2025</i>
General Offering	\$7,674.99	\$236,465.30	\$(11,611.62)
Deacons' Benevolence	100.00	\$5,650.11	
Attendance 10/26: Morning Service – 105			



GRACE

Presbyterian Church

Our Mission

For the glory of our Triune God, the mission of Grace Presbyterian Church is to exalt Him, to equip His saints, and to evangelize southeast Arizona and the world with the gospel of Christ.

(Matthew 28)

Our Vision

Our vision is to be a spring of living water to quench the spiritual thirst of our dry and weary land. We accomplish this by proclaiming the whole counsel of God; by maturing in Christ through the means of grace -- Scripture, sacraments, and prayer; by finding belonging in God's covenant family; by serving one another in love; by loving our neighbors. The result we seek is that each of his saints may yield fruit in their season to the praise and glory of the Triune God.

(Psalm 63; John 4; Psalm 1)

We are a member of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

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Contact: RE Larry Walker