



GRACE

Presbyterian Church

April 26, 2026
17th Lord's Day of 2026

Sunday Morning Divine Service – 9:30am
Sunday Evening Service – 5:00pm

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 117

Minister: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

People: therefore let us keep the feast,
not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness;
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

* Hymn of Approach

#222 O God, Our Help in Ages Past

* Prayer of Adoration

* Please stand if you are able.

— GOD RENEWS US IN CHRIST —

Confession of Sin:

We, poor sinners, acknowledge before You, our God and Creator, that we have terribly and in many ways sinned against You, not only outwardly, but much more with inward blindness, unbelief, doubts, despondency, impatience, pride, covetousness, envy, hatred, malice, and other sinful affections, as You, our Lord and God, know well, and we cannot deeply enough deplore. But we repent of these things, and are sorry for them, and heartily ask You for mercy, for the sake of Your beloved Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

* Assurance of Pardon – 1 John 2:1-2

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

#45B My Heart Does Overflow

* Profession of Faith

Nicene Creed

TPH pg 852

* Grace of God's Law – James 1:19-27

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)

* 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.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

* Doxology #567

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 – Ezekiel 36:26-27

* Sermon Text – Romans 6:15-23

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon – Twisting the Truth (Part 2)

Rev. Judson Marvel

— GOD FEEDS US AT HIS BANQUET TABLE —

* Hymn of Preparation

#202 Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

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

#377 Join All the Glorious Names

* 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)

Morning Service Notes:

Additional 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?

Missionaries of the Month

Jeff and Heather, work through MTW supporting missionaries to the persecuted church around the world. Jeff asks that we join him in the following prayers of supplication and thanksgiving:

Prayer:

1) Please pray for our workers and brothers and sisters throughout the Middle East during this period of conflict. There are a handful of people who are in harm's way. We evacuated two families, but everyone else is continuing to work in their communities. Pray for a 4-year-old struggling with the turmoil and transition.

2) Please pray for three serious disputes involving workers and local governing bodies. Two of the three have been especially painful and draining for me because of personal ties. Pray for wisdom, repentance, and reconciliation.

3) When I was with you, I asked you to prayer for the teenaged daughter of a family working with refugees. She has been in long term treatment, since November. This week is the first time she has been able to spend time with her family. Please pray for continued recovery and restoration of trust.

Praises:

1) My MBB friend in North Africa and his wife have been using marriage counseling as a means of loving their community. A Muslim couple divorced because the man was physically abusing his wife and children. The woman remarried a believer, and the husband took her to court for converting. Miraculously, the judge sided with the woman and gave her custody of the children.

2) Last fall, all but one family member abandoned this fledgling fellowship after the death of a new brother. In January, a man began to study with my North African friend and several weeks later became part of the family. This has been really encouraging for my friend and the remaining sibling.

3) We've added three more counselors since last summer. I now have more energy to enjoy the training and proactive aspects of my role. One of my current projects is to help clarify our protocols for crisis care. I'm following up with folk working in Ukraine, West Africa, the ME, and Central Asia to learn how what worked and how the Global Member Care team can improve our response. One of the areas that has come up is better training for handling suicidal ideation.

4) Our sons, Samuel and Elijah, were in the ME the week before this present conflict. We are glad they made it out. Elijah is planning on traveling with me to visit families from the region in April.

DH and Emily Henry working jointly with MTW and RUF serving the *Diné* (the Navajo) people and especially students in Flagstaff, AZ share the following information and prayer requests:

I just wanted to start by saying thank you. Because of your partnership, we are able to live here in Flagstaff, collaborate with Northern Arizona University students and indigenous Bible college students and people here in the native community. Your support truly helps us bring the hope of the gospel to life here.

God has opened a really exciting opportunity for us here at Northern Arizona University. We are trying out what campus ministry looks like. We're doing something unique which is specifically trying to reach the 10% of the student body population here that is indigenous. We are just having a blast walking through life with students and seeing how God is really already at work in their lives.

We also have the privilege of continuing to do life coaching at Indigenous Bible College.

Please join us in praying:

- MTW's team has been working together to form a stronger understanding of the animistic culture and especially the way it impacts spiritual health and vitality of missionaries serving in those cultures. DH has really been encouraged by his time with that Animism survey with the wider MTW team serving amid Native American Tribes. He really wants to apply what he's learned and be more vigilant against our spiritual enemy. Please pray that the Henry's not be ignorant of Satan's schemes (2 Corinthians 2:11).
- Life out in Flagstaff continues to be non-stop for the Henrys, no matter what stage or time of year (maybe part of it is their having two teens and two more under age 10). Pray that they might balance their schedules well and prioritize the most important aspects — especially time with God.
- Pray for our family and the Navajo families we serve alongside...for children, grandparents, parents, and extended family members, that God will be very real to us all and glorify Himself in our lives. Pray that family relationships will be strengthened. Pray that we will grow stronger in the Lord.

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?

Grace 101 is a class designed to introduce the history, doctrines, practices, and people of our church. It is offered for visitors who are considering membership. It is also recommended for current members who want a refresher course. See the Announcement section for information on the next class or talk with Pastor Jud.

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.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sunday, 4/26

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

Friday, 5/1

5:30pm – Covenant Family Meals
 6:30pm – Bible Study

Wednesday, 4/29

6:30pm – Mid-week Prayer Meeting

Sunday, 5/3

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

Music for Next Lord's Day, Sunday 5/3/2026

May Communion Hymn: 370 – A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

Morning

374 – All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!
 352 – Man of Sorrows! What a Name
 291 – O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
 243 – How Firm a Foundation

Evening Scripture and Song

219 – O Worship the King
 1A – That Man is Blest
 222 – O God, Our Help in Ages Past
 567 - Doxology

Attendance & Giving Updates

<i>As of 4/26/2026</i>	4/19/2026:	2026 Totals:	YTD Income minus Expenses as of March 31, 2026
General Offering	\$9,460.23	\$90,448.20	\$71,008.03 All Income
(which includes) Deacons' Benevolence	\$100.00	\$2,426.17	- <u>\$47,028.38 Expenses</u> \$23,979.65
Attendance 4/19: Morning Service – 90 Sunday School – 43 Evening Service - 31			

Announcements

Covenant Family Groups – Friday, May 1st

Our covenant family groups will meet Friday, May 1st.

- Pastor Ken Roth and RE Larry Walker will lead a group meeting at the church.
- RE James Bukle and RE Max Ellis will combine with group meeting at the church.
- RE Kevin Christman and RE Jon Hardy will lead a group meeting at John and Susi Childress' home (401 Canterbury Drive).

Each group will start with a potluck meal at 5:30pm with study on the book of Jude starting around 6:30pm. Please feel free to come for the study even if you are unable to make it to dinner. Remaining studies for this spring will meet on May 1st and 15th.

Need a Book?

Looking for a good book or video resources on Reformed doctrine, Bible studies, parenting, marriage, or other topics? Stop by the Church Library, located in the Preschool SS room, and check out all the resources available to borrow.

Looking for a Few Good Men

The Deacons are looking for a few men (old, young, or anywhere in between) to help with the collection and counting of Sunday offerings. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the foyer, or you may speak to Phillip or Ryan directly.

Save the Date for Ladies Friends and Fellowship – Saturday May 9th

All ladies are invited to attend our Friends and Fellowship event May 9, 2026 at 10:00. Please join us for fellowship, coffee, and light-bites as we engage in a discussion on Biblical Submission. You only need to bring your Bible! Hosted by Karena Christman at 8950 S. Black Bear Oak Drive Hereford. Feel free to contact Karena with any questions.

Save the Date for CareNet's Annual Walk for Life – Saturday, May 16th

CareNet will be hosting their annual Walk for Life on Saturday, May 16th. Registration on the day starts at 7am with the walk starting at 8am. The church office has registration forms as well as pledge forms.

Deacons' Mercy Corner

The job of a Deacon is, most simply stated, to be a minister of mercy. Within the church body our Deacons provide help to members of the congregation in times of need. That need might be help with a physical task such as moving furniture or yard work, financial help during a loss of job or for expenses related to an emergency, or even something as simple as a ride to church.

Our Deacons also help tie our congregation to other local organizations which share in ministering mercy. Two such organizations which GPC financially supports are Veritas Christian Community School and CareNet Crisis Pregnancy Center of Sierra Vista.

Here is how you can help our Deacons minister to our own congregation as well as how you can partner with the Deacons to support Veritas and CareNet.

- **CareNet will be hosting their annual Walk for Life on Saturday, May 16th.** Registration on the day starts at 7am with the walk starting at 8am. The church office has registration forms as well as pledge forms. You may also register online at <https://secure.fundeasy.com/ministrysync/event/?e=31912> .
- We currently have two Deacons, both of whom are dedicated to serving our congregation! They are also husbands and fathers with responsibilities to their families. Please join us in **praying for God to raise up additional deacons** to join them in their service to the church.

Evening Service

Welcome & Silent Prayer

* Call to Worship – Psalm 95:6-7a

* Opening Hymn – #164 God Himself Is with Us

* Prayer of Adoration and Confession

* Responsive Reading – Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q 79-81 TPH pg 974

Congregational Prayers

* Psalter Hymn – #16A Preserve Me, O My God

* Sermon Text – Exodus 20:17

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon – The Tenth Commandment

Rev. Judson Marvel

* Closing Hymn – #210 O God, We Praise Thee

* Benediction

* Doxology - #567

Sermon Notes:

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Additional Evening Service Notes:



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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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