



GRACE

Presbyterian Church

October 4, 2026
40th 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.

Preparation for Worship

"The hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."
(John 4:23-24)

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

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

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

Call to Worship

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

* Call to Worship — Psalm 29

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

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

* Hymn of Approach

#229 Holy God, We Praise Your Name

* Prayer of Adoration

— GOD RENEWS US IN CHRIST —

Confession of Sin:

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved You with all of our heart, soul, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, You are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy; there is always forgiveness with You! Restore to us the joy of Your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let Your word abide with us until it has wrought in us Your holy will. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

* Assurance of Pardon – Romans 8:1-4

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

#277 Before the Throne of God Above

* Profession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

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* Grace of God's Law – Exodus 20:1-17

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 #572**

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 – Leviticus 18:5**

*** Sermon Text – Romans 10:4-13**

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon – Call on Him

Rev. Judson Marvel

— GOD FEEDS US AT HIS BANQUET TABLE —

* Hymn of Preparation

#425 How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place

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



Ben Castaneda, and his wife Bethel, serving in Edinburgh, Scotland as a lecturer in Greek and New Testament at Edinburgh Theological Seminary (ETS).

Though Scotland is the birthplace of Presbyterianism, it has grown to be an un-churched and de-churched nation. ETS is committed to raising up and training faithful, evangelical ministers and Bible scholars to reach Scotland, the UK, and Europe with the Gospel. Additionally, since Ben is an ordained minister in the PCA, the Castaneda family supports the local church in Edinburgh, which includes many church planting efforts.

Current prayer requests:

- Please pray for their specific congregation and all congregations of the Free Church of Scotland, which is a sister organization of the PCA. Pray for spiritual growth for those already attending, and that the Lord will lead many more to salvation through the church. Pray for God to raise up men to pastoral ministry in Scotland (and worldwide).
- Glasgow Presbytery has 29 congregations but only about 15 ministers (with a couple more off work due to health issues). As a result, Ben is now serving as the temporary moderator of a vacant church south of Glasgow. Please pray for wisdom as he chairs their Session meetings and provide leadership for the church until they call a minister of their own.
- Finally, please pray for Ben, his wife, Bethel, and their 5 children.



Covenant College "In All Things Christ Preeminent"

Founded in 1955, Covenant College is a Christian liberal arts college that exists to explore and express the preeminence of Jesus Christ in all things. Located in Lookout Mountain, Georgia, we are a community committed to the Bible as the inerrant Word of God, and everything we do is grounded in our Reformed theology and worldview.

Covenant College is celebrating the **largest traditional undergraduate student enrollment in the college's history**, with **1,074 students** for the fall 2026 semester.

The milestone comes during a remarkable period of growth for Covenant. **Over the past three years, enrollment has grown by nearly 25%**, dramatically above the **national average of 7.3%** for higher education institutions over the same period.

Those numbers, however, only tell part of the story. Students and families are choosing Covenant because it is a Christ-centered community that shapes the whole person for all of life. **"We care about cultivating lives marked by wisdom, faithfulness, humility, and courage,"** says Covenant College's president, Dr. Brad Voyles. "That is the very heartbeat of our mission. **That is why we exist—to send out Christ-like builders** who are both biblically faithful and professionally excellent, builders who seek the welfare of the communities where God calls them, builders prepared to serve the church and the world in ordinary and extraordinary ways."

- Please pray for the staff of Covenant College, that they may embody the college's motto "In all things Christ preeminent", guiding students towards the Truth.
- Please pray for the students as well, that they may be open to the teaching they receive, and that they might come to learn God's calling in their lives.

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 join Grace Presbyterian Church?

Pastor Jud will offer a two-part class to visitors considering membership with Grace Presbyterian Church starting today and finishing on Nov. 1 following morning worship. Please contact Pastor Jud if you plan to intend.

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, 10/4

9:30am – Morning Service
 11:15am – Adult Choir Practice
 AND New Members Class
 NO Sunday School
 5:00pm – Evening Service

Wednesday, 10/7

4:30pm – Session Meeting

Friday, 10/9

6:00pm – Potluck Meal @the Childress’
 home followed by
 Grace Church Study

Sunday, 10/11

8:45am – Adult Choir Practice
 9:30am – Morning Service
 11:15am – Sunday School for All Ages
 5:00pm – Evening Service

Saturday, 10/17

Time TBD - Men’s Fellowship Hike

Music for Next Lord’s Day, Sunday 10/11/2026

Morning

224 - Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
 431 - And Can It Be That I Should Gain
 116A - I Love the Lord, for He Has Heard My
 Voice (verses 1-4)
 524 - Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Evening

252 - This Is My Father’s World
 Requested Hymn(s)
 429 – Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Attendance & Giving Updates

<i>As of 10/04/2026</i>	9/27/2026	2026 Totals:	YTD Income minus Expenses as of June 30, 2026
General Offering	\$2,663.62	\$198,556.03	\$132,309.18 Income
(which includes) Deacons’ Benevolence	\$0.00	\$6,035.83	- <u>\$123,300.77</u> <u>Expenses</u> \$ 9,008.33
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How Can I Serve My Brothers and Sisters in the Church?

In 1 Corinthians 12, Paul compares the church to a body, each person as different parts of the body with a gift to serve one another. Below are listed some ways to serve. If you would still like to serve in a different way, please talk to an elder or Pastor Jud and ask, "How can I serve?"

- 1) **Fellowship Snack/Coffee Coordinator:** Jon and Shannon Hardy have been managing fellowship snacks (from setting up and taking down on Sunday morning to keeping track of inventory and letting the office know when to order additional items) and the coffee making. These tasks could be managed by one person or by a group of people. **Please talk to Pastor Jud for more information or to volunteer.**

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. They 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.

- CareNet has just announced their *Loving Them Both* annual fundraiser banquet will be held on Friday, October 30th. Michelle Pillar will be the guest speaker. RSVPs are due by October 8th. More information is available on the flyer posted on the Missions board in the hallway.

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.

Announcements

Grace Church Study

Grace Church Study will be held next Friday, October 9th at the Childress' home. We will share a meal, have a discussion led by Pastor Jud about the Lord's Day sermon, and pray together.

The potluck theme will be Oktoberfest, and it begins at 6:00 p.m. Bring a side, salad, or dessert as you are able, but more importantly come to enjoy fellowship and learning with your church family. Look for an email early in the week with the potluck sign-up information.

This is one gathering for the whole congregation, not a program for a few. Come as you are and bring your children. Please contact Pastor Jud with any questions.

Adult Choir

If you are interested in singing with the adult choir (ages 13 and up), we will meet today, Sunday, October 4th at 11:15am at the piano. We will work on hymn #249 *For the Beauty of the Earth* for offertory on Sunday, October 11th. We will also introduce some of the songs we hope to sing during the Christmas season.

New Member Class

Pastor Jud will offer a two-part class to visitors considering membership with Grace Presbyterian Church starting today, October 4th, and finishing on November 1st following morning worship. Please contact Pastor Jud if you plan to intend.

Men's Fellowship

A men's hike is being planned for Saturday, October 17th. Time and location are still under discussion. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the foyer. If you are interested in joining other men in the church for a hike, please sign up. (Knowing who is interested may help in determining the location and time.) Please contact Pastor Jud or RE Max Ellis with any questions.

"Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." (Proverbs 27:17)

Calling all musicians!

If you would like to offer a vocal or instrumental piece (solo or group) for the upcoming Christmas Eve service, please let Pastor Jud know by October 18th!

Evening Service

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering of Hymn Requests

- * Call to Worship – Psalm 33:1-3
- * Opening Hymn – #252 This Is My Father's World
- * Prayer of Adoration and Confession
- * Hymn Requests
- * Scripture Reading – Isaiah 9

Praying for Each Other

- * Sermon Text – Nahum 3:1-19

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon – God's Justice Over the Nations

Rev. Judson Marvel

- * Closing Hymn – #429 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
- * Benediction
- * Doxology - #567

* Please stand if you are able.

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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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Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9am–2pm

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Contact: RE Jon Hardy

Children's Sunday School Superintendent

Contact: RE Max Ellis

Website Coordinator

Contact: Brandon Buchs