



# GRACE

Presbyterian Church

**April 14, 2024**  
15<sup>th</sup> Lord's Day of 2024

# Morning Divine Service

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## Preparation for Worship

*Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. Selah.*

*Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! (Psalm 67:4-5)*

Please take a few moments to prepare your hearts and minds to worship the Triune God.

## — GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM —

Salutation – *from* Psalm 124:8

### \* Call to Worship – *from* Psalm 147

Minister: Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God!

**People: For it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting**

The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

**He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.**

He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.

**Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.**

The Lord lifts up the humble; he casts the wicked to the ground.

**Praise the Lord!**

### \* Hymn of Approach – #239 Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven

### \* Prayer of Adoration

\* Congregation Stands

— GOD RENEWS US IN CHRIST —

Call to Repentance

Confession of Sin:

*Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their sins. Restore those who repent, according to Your promises declared to us in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.*

*(Silent Confession)*

\* Assurance of Pardon – Romans 8:31-39

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 – #343 What Wondrous Love Is This

\* Affirmation of Faith – Nicene Creed

Trinity Psalter Hymnal p 852

\* Grace of God's Law – Amos 5:14-15

\* 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 – Leviticus 27:30

\* 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.**

### \* New Testament Reading – Acts 16:22-24

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

**People: Amen**

### \* Sermon Text – 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon – The Ministry of God's Servant

Rev. Judson Marvel

## — GOD FEEDS US AT HIS BANQUET TABLE —

### \* Song 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 – #281 Rejoice, the Lord is King

\* Benediction – Numbers 6:24-26

\* Congregational Threefold Amen

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**Notes:**

## **If I am a visitor, may I participate in the Lord's Supper?**

- 1) Have you been baptized into the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, either as an infant or adult?
- 2) Have you publicly professed your faith in Jesus Christ, and do you embrace the Christian faith as summarized in the Apostles' Creed?
- 3) Are you presently a member in good standing of a Bible-believing, gospel-preaching church? (Or, if you are in the process of looking for a new church, we want you to affirm that you are not currently under church discipline.)

If you can affirm these questions sincerely, the elders welcome you to the Lord's Table! But if you have any hesitation at all, then we would encourage you to refrain this week and then make sure to come talk to one of the pastors or an elder right after service. We would love to talk this through with you!

## **What should I do if I'm not taking communion?**

If you are refraining from taking the Lord's Supper today, we ask you to remain seated and allow others out of your aisle to come forward. There are two very good things you should do as others are receiving the elements. First, we encourage you to reflect and meditate on the Scripture that has been read in service and especially on the message that was preached. Second, silently pray for God to reveal his truth to you and for him to draw you closer to the Lord Jesus Christ.

## **The Nursery & Training Room**

We do not have a staffed nursery or separate children's ministry. Instead, we welcome your children to be in worship with us! Their presence is a joy to us. But we know that not all children can sit quietly through service, so we do have both a nursery and a training room. Our nursery is located in the last room on the left at the end of hallway. This separate space has the audio and video being streamed in for you while you change, nurse, or comfort your baby or toddler up to around 3 years old. Additionally, we have a training room located in the back of the auditorium. This space was designed as a refuge in which to train your young children to both sit quietly and participate as appropriate throughout the service.

## **Missionary of the Month: DH and Emily Henry (MTW)**

DH and Emily Henry serve with Mission to the World (MTW), the missions ministry of the PCA usually associated with international missions. However, the Henry's have been called to serve Christ by being missionaries to the Navajo Nation. In ministering to Native Americans, their call is not less cross-cultural than it would be if they had moved to the other side of the globe. The Henry Family lives and ministers in Flagstaff, Arizona.

Please pray for DH and Emily in their ministry to the Navajo people. Pray that many would come to know Jesus, and that leaders would be raised up to plant Navajo Presbyterian Churches. In addition, pray for the Henry children: Phinehas, Josiah, Zoe, and Felicity.

### **Attendance & Giving Updates**

| <i>As of 4/7/2024</i>  | 4/7/2024:  | 2024 Totals: | Surplus <i>as of 3/31/2024</i> |
|--|------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| General Offering   | \$6,590.58 | \$79,442.27  | \$2,410.81                     |
| Deacons' Benevolence   | \$220.00   | \$785.47     |                                |
| <b>Attendance 4/7:</b> AM Worship – 110      Sunday School – 62      PM Worship - 33 |            |              |                                |

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

### **Today**

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

### **Tuesday, 4/16**

4:30pm – Session Meeting

### **Wednesday, 4/17**

6:30pm – Weekly Prayer Meeting

### **Thursday, 4/18**

4:15pm – Deacons' Meeting  
6:30pm – Worship Music Rehearsal

### **Friday, 4/19**

5:30pm – Potluck Dinners  
6:30pm – Family Bible Study  
Childress home – 401 Canterbury Dr  
Christman home – 8950 Black Bear Oak  
Ellis home – 3833 Loma Ventosa  
Kremer home – 3712 Elder Court

### **Sunday, 4/21**

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

## Music for Next Lord's Day, 4/21/2024

### **Morning**

Approach: 214 – Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above  
Thanksgiving: 457 – Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness  
Preparation: 27A – The LORD's My Light  
Response: 366 – The Stife is O'er, the Battle Done

### **Evening**

Opening Hymn: 230 – Holy, Holy, Holy!  
Psalter Hymn: 5 – Hear My Words, O LORD  
Closing Hymn: 196 – At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing



## **Announcements**

### **Family Photos for On-Line Directory**

We will have the opportunity for everyone to update their photos for our on-line directory. Dwight Lind has graciously offered to use his professional equipment and talent to take photos for everyone. He will set up in the training room at the back of the sanctuary immediately after the morning Divine Service and again after Sunday School on the following three Sundays:

April 14<sup>th</sup> – today!

April 21<sup>st</sup>

April 28<sup>th</sup>

This service is primarily available to our members, regular attendees, and church friends. Please plan to come ready for your family photo, especially if your family has grown, your kiddos have grown, if your kids have moved away, or if it's just been a while since your last directory photo was taken.

### **Volunteers Needed for AZ Presbytery Meeting April 25-26**

Hosting the state Presbytery meeting is a lot of work, and our Session and Deacons could use your help! If you have a couple of hours to volunteer between 9am and 9pm on Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> and/or between 7am and 5pm on Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, please speak with our Hospitality Team POC Paul Northcutt, send him an email at [penorth70@gmail.com](mailto:penorth70@gmail.com), or call him on (520) 508-9173.

### **Presbytery Meeting Worship Service April 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**

The AZ Presbytery meeting includes a worship service on Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Like all the open sessions of the meeting itself, everyone is invited to attend the worship service. Please plan to attend if possible.

### **Friday Family Bible Studies**

Friday night family bible studies with fellowship potluck meals will next meet this Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. We will be studying 1 Thessalonians 2:17-3:13. There are 4 different locations around Sierra Vista and Hereford. If you haven't participated in the past, please feel free to join any of the study groups!

# Evening Service

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Welcome & Silent Prayer

\* Call to Worship – Psalm 147:7-11

\* Opening Hymn– #227 How Great Thou Art

\* Prayer of Adoration and Confession

\* Scripture Reading – Joshua 6 (ESV)

Minister: *The grass withers and the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.*

(Isaiah 40:8)

**People: Amen!**

Congregational Prayers

\* Psalter Hymn– #4 Give Ear, God of My Righteousness

\* Sermon Text – Luke 22:3-30

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Heidelberg Catechism – Lord’s Day 28

Trinity Psalter Hymnal p 884-885

Sermon – The Lord's Supper: As Surely As...

Rev. Judson Marvel

\* Closing Hymn– #326 My Song is Love Unknown

\* Benediction – 2 Corinthians 13:14

\* Psalm of Blessing – Psalm 72:18-19

**Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel, for he alone doth wondrous works in glory that excel. And blessed be his glorious Name to all eternity: the whole earth let his glory fill. Amen, so let it be. A-men.**

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**Notes:**



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Presbyterian Church

## WELCOME

Welcome to Grace Presbyterian Church! We are honored that you chose to worship with us today. We would like to get to know you better, so please fill out the Connection Card (found in the pockets on the back of each pew) and place in the box on the wall in the foyer.

Grace Presbyterian Church is a member congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). The PCA was founded in 1973 in order to uphold the truth of God's Word. Our denominational motto is "Faithful to the Scriptures, True to the Reformed faith, Obedient to the Great Commission of Jesus Christ." This is the driving heartbeat of our congregation.

We call our worship services "Divine Service" because we believe that our Triune God meets with us and satisfies our deepest needs when we come to give him the reverent worship which he is due. Whether this is your first time visiting or if you have been here many times before, we pray that the Lord would minister to you richly in Word, in Prayer, and in Sacrament, and that the Lord Jesus Christ would be increasingly exalted in your heart as we worship him together this Lord's Day.

## Pastors

Judson Marvel, *Pastor*  
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Ken Roth, *Pastor Emeritus*  
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## Ruling Elders

Max Ellis  
Larry Walker, *Clerk of the Session*  
Richard Wolfe

## Deacons

James Bukle, *Chairman*  
Phillip McCluskey, *Secretary*  
Paul Northcutt, *Treasurer*  
Ryan Ellison  
Doug Kremer, *Deacon Emeritus*

## Office

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## Women's Ministry Team

Contact: Jodi Marvel

## Communion and Fellowship Snack Prep

Contact: Bonnie Northcutt

## Sunday School

Contact: Pastor Judson Marvel