



The 38th Lord's Day
Sunday, September 17, 2023

A CONGREGATION OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

Welcome to Grace Covenant Church

Thank you for worshipping with us today!

Grace Covenant Church strives to embrace, embody, and extend our triune God's truth, goodness, and beauty through worship, discipleship, and mission in Jesus Christ.

Visitors, we are so glad you are here! Please locate a 'Visitor's Card,' and fill out any info you'd like to share with us so that we may get to know you better. You can place it in the offering plates on the tables in the Narthex.

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Sunday:

Sunday School
9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship
10:30 a.m.

Wednesday:

Youth Group
6:30 – 8 p.m.

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information and
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at our website:



Please Take Note:

Mission of the Month – Please pray this month for the RUF ministry at Kennesaw State University. Pray for many new young believers to be transformed and redeemed through this ministry. Pray for Chris (and wife Kelsey) Blackman as they seek to reach many young people for Christ in a very hostile environment. Pray for the health and support for this crucial ministry.

Men' Fall-Winer Bible Study – Men of all ages are invited to join us on Wednesday evening, September 27, from 7:00 - 8:30 PM as we study the book of Ruth. This Bible study will trace the context, people, tragedies and heroics depicted in this book as God providentially uses means to protect the promise made in the Garden of an eternal Kinsman Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Subsequent sessions will be held Oct. 11, Oct. 25, Nov. 15 and Nov. 29. All men are welcome - invite your friends and neighbors! For more information, contact Clay Ramsey.

Women's Fall Bible Study – Please join us on Tuesday, September 19th at 10:00 am or Wednesday, September 20th at 7:00 pm as we study Chapter 1 of *Entrusted to be Invested*, a study on 1 Timothy. If you require childcare, please email wmc@gracecovenantpca.com by the Friday before the study.

Children's Church Starting!! – We are beginning the process of developing a Children's Church ministry for K4 through 3rd grade that will meet during the sermon portion of the service. Please contact Brittany Michelson (her contact info is in Breeze) if you would like to help!

ESL Opportunities – Our English program continues to grow, so we're looking for a few good men and women! If you're interested in teaching, you only need to love Jesus and speak English (classes are taught in English). If teaching isn't your thing, we're also looking for assistants, greeters, and servers that fill in where needed. For more information, please contact Jeff Chastine at office@gracecovenantpca.com.

Youth Group – Youth group has resumed meeting on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 PM! The Sign Up Genius for youth meals is up and running, please see your email for the link.

CAYA Food Pantry Donations – Please consider picking up a few extra items each week when you shop to place in the collection bin at church or donate funds to purchase food online at <https://www.cayaministries.com/donate>.

Nursery Schedule:

September 17: Sunday School
Worship

September 24: Sunday School
Worship

Sherry Floresta
Amber and Jude Darnell
Janice Furlong
Lois Barday and Caleb Prather

To receive churchwide emails about church news and events:



Nursery
Care is available for children up to age 4 in the nursery room off the main hallway.

✠ =
Congregation
Standing

The Order of Public Worship



God invites us to
His heavenly
throne of grace

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

from Revelation 1 & 1 Chronicles 16

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

The LORD reigns! Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather and deliver us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise. Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!

Splendor and majesty are before the LORD; strength and joy are in his place. Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength! Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come before him! Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness!

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen!

TH= Trinity
Hymnal

✠ SONG OF ADORATION

Come, Thou Almighty King, TH 101

✠ PRAYER OF INVOCATION

de Isaías 65, 66
Tito 2
Marcos 1

CALL TO CONFESSION

from Isaiah 65 & 66; Titus 2.11-14; Mark 1.15

CONFESSION OF SIN

God cleanses us
and renews us
in His grace

Eternal, merciful, Heavenly Father, you have given us new life in Christ and the privilege of participating with you in your eternal purposes. Yet, we often stray from your way and sin against you and our neighbor in thought, word, and deed; through what we have done and what we have left undone. Forgive us for the many ways we get distracted from our heavenly calling, and help us to prioritize better the stewardship of our time, talents, and treasure for bearing witness for your kingdom. As we renew our devotion to our calling as your people and fill our hearts with the awe and wonders of your works, help us to remember our baptism into Christ, and the picture of cleansing from sin and new life that it provides. Fill us with joy and thanksgiving that you forgive

us yet again. Grant us the grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and reigns with you, and mediates for us even now. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF THE GOSPEL

Colossians 1.15-23; Isaiah 43.25

✠ SONG OF PRAISE

Thy Mercy My God

*Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song,
The joy of my heart. and the boast of my tongue;
Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last,
Hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast.*

*Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here;
Sin would reduce me to utter despair;
But, through Thy free goodness, my spirits revive,
And He that first made me still keeps me alive.*

*Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart,
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart;
Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground,
And weep to the praise of the mercy I've found.*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

*Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own,
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son;
All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.
All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.*

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION & LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father, who 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.*

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✠ SONG OF TRUST

Holy God, We Praise Your Name, TH 103

SERMON TEXT

(Mateo) Matthew 6.5-14

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON “Prayer: Participation in and Anticipation of Our Blessed Hope”

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

✠ SONG OF RESPONSE

Your Will Be Done

*Your will be done, my God and Father
As in Heaven, so on Earth
My heart is drawn to self-exalting
Help me seek Your kingdom first*

*As Jesus walked, so I shall walk
Held by Your same unchanging love
Be still my soul, O lift your voice and pray
"Father, not my will but Yours be done"*

*How in that Garden He persisted
I may never fully know
The fearful weight of true obedience
It was held by Him alone*

*What wondrous faith to bear that cross
To bear my sin, what wondrous love
My hope was sure, when there my Savior prayed
"Father, not my will but Yours be done"*

*When I am lost, when I am broken
In the night of fear and doubt
Still, I will trust in my good Father
Yes, to one great King I bow*

*As Jesus rose, so I shall rise
In ransomed glory at the throne
My heart restored
With all Your saints, I sing
"Father, not my will but Yours be done"*

God
consecrates us
to renewed
devotion and
obedience

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*As we go forth, our God and Father
Lead us daily in the fight
That all the world might see Your glory
And Your Name be lifted high*

*And in this Name we overcome
For You shall see us safely home
Now as Your church, we lift our voice and pray
"Father, not my will but Yours be done"*

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For You shall see us safely home
Now as Your church, we lift our voice and pray
"Father, not my will but Yours be done"
Father, not my will but Yours be done
Father, not my will but Yours be done*

✠ **BENEDICTION**

(Números) Numbers 6.24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Jehová te bendiga, y te guarde;
Jehová haga resplandecer su rostro sobre ti, y tenga de ti misericordia;
Jehová alce sobre ti su rostro, y ponga en ti paz.

God blesses us
with His
presence and
power to be His
ambassadors of
grace

✠ **SONG OF BLESSING**

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.*





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*...striving to make disciples who embrace, embody, and extend
God's truth, goodness, and beauty through worship, discipleship, and mission in Jesus Christ.*