

## Announcements

**Links on myGRPC:** Please log into myGRPC for links to church meetings.

**Tithes and Offerings:** You may leave your offering in the offering plate or mail checks to the church (1602 Linden Ln. Relay, MD 21227), or give online ([grpca.org/give](http://grpca.org/give)).

**Worship Sign Up:** Space is still limited in the sanctuary, so we need you to sign up if you plan to attend worship inside. The sign-up form may be found on the church website.

**Men's Discipleship Group:** Meets this Saturday from 7:00-9:00 AM on Zoom as we continue our study in the book of Daniel. Please see John Daniello for more details.

## Welcome to Grace Reformed Presbyterian Church

**Dear Guest:** Welcome to Grace Church! We thank God that you have chosen to worship with us today. Please connect with an elder or pastor to leave your contact information. For more information about Grace Church, please visit our website: [grpca.org](http://grpca.org).

### Sunday Schedule

**Sunday School:** 8:50 AM for adults

**Worship Service:** 10:00 AM

### Church Staff

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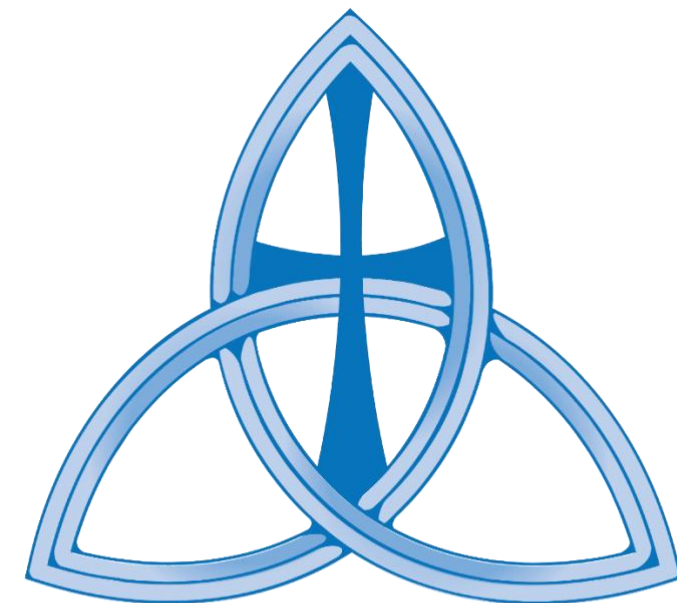
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**GRACE REFORMED  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)

*Richly Blessed in Christ:  
A Study in Ephesians*

Our church exists to help people *know* God's Son, *fellowship* with God's people, *worship* in God's church, *grow* in God's grace and *serve* in God's world.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 25, 2021

**Worship Leader:** Mark Woodland, Ruling Elder

### Welcome & Announcements

*Please silence your electronic device before the worship service begins.*

**Preparation for Worship:** *Galatians 4:4-6*

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"

### Children's Moment

**Call to Worship:** *Psalms 96:7-13*

**Leader:** Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength! Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts! Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!

**All:** Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns! Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."

**Leader:** Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it!

**All:** Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the LORD, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in his faithfulness.

## Invocation

**+Opening Hymn:** *Take My Life/I Am Yours*

**Confession of Sin:** *Matthew 22:37-40*

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

**All:** 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 faults. Restore those who are penitent. According to Your promises declared to mankind 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. *Book of Common Worship*

**Assurance of Pardon:** *Micah 7:18-19*

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our<sup>l</sup> sins into the depths of the sea.

**+Song of Response:** *I Know Who I Am*

**+Confession of Faith:** *Shorter Catechism #37-38*

**Leader:** What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death?

**All:** The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, and do immediately pass into glory; and their bodies, being still united to Christ, do rest in their graves till the resurrection.

**Leader:** What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

**All:** At the resurrection, believers, being raised up in glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

**+Song of Response:** *By Faith*

### Pastoral Prayer

**+Scripture Reading:** *Ephesians 1:5-6*

**Sermon:** *Identity and Destiny* Rev. Stan Long

**+Closing Hymn:** *Good, Good Father*

### +Benediction



**+Congregation Standing**