



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.

The Lord's Day | June 20, 2021

Order of Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship: John 10:14-16

I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

Children's Moment

Call to Worship: Psalm 107:1-3

Leader: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever! Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

All: Praise the Lord!

Invocation

+**Opening Hymn:** *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

no. 347

+**Confession of Faith:** Westminster Shorter Catechism #67-69

Leader: Which is the sixth commandment?

All: The sixth commandment is, Thou shalt not kill.

Leader: What is required in the sixth commandment?

All: The sixth commandment requireth all lawful endeavors to preserve our own life, and the life of others.

Leader: What is forbidden in the sixth commandment?

All: The sixth commandment forbiddeth the taking away of our own life, or the life of our neighbor unjustly, or whatsoever tendeth thereunto.

+**Song of Response:** *Stronger*

Confession of Sin: Matthew 5:20,48

Leader: For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

All: Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good, and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned, in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. O Lord, have mercy upon us; we are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins, for the sake of Your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, help us, we beg you, to live in Your light and walk in Your ways according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Book of Common Worship

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103:8-13

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

+Song of Response: *Jesus, Thank You*

Pastoral Prayer

+Scripture Reading: Ephesians 2:11-13

p. 1242

Sermon: *Brought Near*

Rev. Eric Tracy

+Closing Hymn: *The Church's One Foundation*

no. 345

+Benediction

+ If able, please stand

Children's Activities

Can you find the words below in the wordsearch? The words are from Ephesians 2:1-13

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Write a note of thanks or draw a picture thanking God for the gift of Jesus Christ.

Announcements

VBS is June 28th-July 2nd. The children will explore Mystery Island discovering more about who God is as they look to the only source of truth, God's Word. Each day we will focus on a different attribute of God. Registration is open now – June 23rd on the website.

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).

Children's Ministry: If you are a member of Grace and would like to serve in the Sunday morning children's ministries (inside services) please contact the church office. More volunteers are needed in order to offer regular Sunday School classes, Nursery and Children's Church.

Missionary of the Week

Craig and Ree Coulbourne, serving in Urayasu, Japan with Mission to the World. E-mail: CraigRee@aol.com. Thank God that Shin Urayasu Grace Church has been able to continue holding worship in-person even as Corona Virus numbers have been on the increase again. Please pray for wisdom for church leaders as they navigate this complex situation. Please pray for God's leading for several members of Shin Urayasu Grace Church facing upcoming decisions about where to live and where to work. These decisions may affect the roles they are able to fill in the church's ministry.

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.

Sunday Schedule

Sunday School: 8:50 AM for adults

Worship Service: 10:00 AM

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