



GRACE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)

One-anothering *A Study in Colossians 3*

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 | March 13, 2022

Order of Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Please silence your electronic device before the worship service begins.

Worship Leader

Mark Woodland, Ruling Elder

Preparation for Worship: *Deuteronomy 6:4-9*

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

Call to Worship: *Psalms 130:1-6*

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy! If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

Invocation

+Opening Hymn: *Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!*

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Confession of Sin: *James 5:16*

Leader: Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.

All: Heavenly Father, your Son and our Savior Jesus the Christ, reminded us of the one great commandment from Matthew 22:37-3. "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.” Lord, if we were only able to achieve this mighty command, how would our lives change; how would we open up to you; how would all those around us be blessed from the Christly dimension of our love. I call on you Lord to open the eyes of our hearts, that this love, your love, though foreign to our natures might be imputed to us; that we might love each other with your enduring love. In the Name of Jesus, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: *Hebrews 10:21-22*

And since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

+Song of Response: *Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive*

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+Confession of Faith: *Basel Confession of 1534, part IV, Concerning Christ, True God and True Man*

We firmly believe and confess that Christ was given to us by the Father at the appointed time according to the promises of God, and that the eternal, divine Word became flesh, that is, the Son of God, united with human nature in one person, became our brother in order that we might become heirs of God through Him.

Concerning this Jesus Christ, we believe that He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the pure, undefiled Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified and died for our sins; and thus by offering up Himself He made satisfaction to God for our sins and the sins of all believers and reconciled us to God, our heavenly Father, and by His death has conquered and overcome the world, death and hell. Moreover, we believe that according to the flesh He was buried, descended into hell, on the third day rose from the dead, and when He had sufficiently shown himself, He ascended into heaven with body and soul where He sits at the right hand of God in the glory of God His heavenly Father, whence He will come to judge the living and the dead. Furthermore, as He had promised He sent to His disciples His Holy Spirit, in whom we believe even as we believe in the Father and the Son.

+Song of Response: *Glorious Day*

Offering & Offertory

Pastoral Prayer

Ages 4-8 are dismissed for Children's Church before the prayer

+Scripture Reading: *Colossians 3:12-17*

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Sermon: *Bearing the Burden of Forgiveness*

Gerry Sutter

+Closing Hymn: *Oh, How Good It Is*

+Benediction: *Jude 1:34-25*

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

+If able, please stand

Application questions for today's sermon:

1. In verse 12, which of the attributes are most difficult for you to consistently achieve? How can you achieve them more fully?
2. Think about a time when forgiveness was difficult for you. In hindsight was there something that you could have done better to minimize the problem?
3. In verse 17, how do you teach, admonish, sing spiritual hymns to each other? How else do you keep the thankfulness of God fresh in your heart?

Reflection questions for NEXT week: from *John 17:14-26*

1. What are the things that Jesus asks God the Father? Why does Jesus ask each of those things?
2. What has Jesus given us? Why (for what purpose)? What has Jesus done for us? Why (for what purpose)?

Children's Activities

Find the word in the puzzle. Words can go in any direction. Words can share letters as they cross over each other.

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HEARTS KINDESS HUMILITY MEEKNESS PATIENCE FORGIVING

LOVE BINDS EVERYTHING TOGETHER HARMONY PEACE PSALMS

HYMNS THANKFULNESS NAME LORD JESUS FATHER

Announcements

We welcome Gerry Sutter to the pulpit today: Gerry has been a deacon for the last 15 years at Faith Christian Fellowship PCA and has just received his MDIV from Metro Baltimore Seminary. He has worked as an English and Math High School Teacher with at-risk kids for the last 15 years. He lives with his wife in Baltimore, along with his two sons and two grandchildren.

Women's Discipleship Meeting: Tomorrow evening at 7:00 PM, at the church and on Zoom. See Diane Darchicourt for more information.

Wednesday Prayer Meeting: Join us on Zoom for prayer. Go to myGRPC for the link.

Southwest Emergency Services Donations: Specific needs are for Hamburger and Tuna helper and personal items like tooth paste and deodorant.

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

Children's Church: 2nd Sunday of the month

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