



# GRACE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)*

## Praying Through The Psalms *A Study in Psalm 27*

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 | August 7, 2022

## Order of Worship

### Welcome & Announcements

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

### Worship Leader:

Jim Darchicourt, Ruling Elder

### Preparation for Worship: *Psalm 25:1*

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

### Call to Worship: *Psalm 25: 4, 5*

Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.

### Invocation

+**Opening Hymn:** *Leaning of the Everlasting Arms*

### Confession of Sin

Spirit of the Living God turn our eyes and feet back to your truth and the joy of a relationship with you. We confess that we have counted friendship with the world more important than with you. We have turned our eyes this week to the gods of our desires and expected those things to fulfill and satisfy us. Now we behold your supreme gift of Jesus Christ. We hold your covenant before you and beg that in your mercy you would draw us near to you again through the work of the Redeemer, Christ.

### Assurance of Pardon: *Psalm 25:14,15*

The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him, and he makes known to them his covenant. My eyes are ever toward the LORD, for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

+**Song of Response:** *Build My Life*

**Confession of Faith:** *Westminster Shorter Catechism Q33, 34*

**Leader:** What is justification?

**All:** Justification is an act of God's free grace<sup>[a]</sup> in which he pardons all our sins<sup>[b]</sup> and accepts us as righteous in his sight<sup>[c]</sup> for the sake of the righteousness of Christ alone, which is credited to us<sup>[d]</sup> and received by faith alone.<sup>[e]</sup>

[a]. Rom 3:24 [b]. Rom 4:6-8; 2 Cor 5:19 [c]. 2 Cor 5:21 [d]. Rom 4:6, 11; Rom 5:19 [e]. Gal 2:16; Php 3:9

**Leader:** What is adoption?

**All:** Adoption is an act of God's free grace<sup>[a]</sup> by which we are received into the number and have a right to all the privileges of the sons of God.<sup>[b]</sup>

[a]. 1 John 3:1 [b]. John 1:12; Rom 8:17

**Hymn of Thanksgiving:** *Whom Shall I Fear*

**Children's Sermon**

**Pastoral Prayer**

+**Scripture Reading:** *Psalms 27*

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**Sermon:** *My Light and My Salvation*

Rev. Karl Dortzbach

**Communion**

+**Song of Application:** *Here I Am to Worship*

+**Benediction**

*+If able, please stand*



## Sermon Notes

**Preparation for Next Week: Pray through Psalm 34.** Praying through the Psalms: Book of reference: *Learning to pray through the Psalms*, James W. Sire. Use this guide each week: 1. Read, reread, and read again! 2. Clarify the text, get an understanding of each word or phrase. 3. Analyze the structure: the flow of ideas, the flow of emotions, and the rhetorical structure. 4. What does the psalm tell you about God's character? His covenant with His people? His redemption? 5. Understand the psalmist's own complex and changing relationship to God. 6. Make the speech of the psalmist your own by repeating the words as your own, adapting the words to your situation.

## Children's Word Search

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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B Y G T Y C C T N B N D S S Z
C P N H E F O O F H U R U U N
G L C G B A I N M I E R G O L
U N X I V T C J F W L N I I Q
R F I L A L B H S I O U X C X
S Z D V A S E N E R D S G A D
T E L R I P A Q T S H E Z R I
D A U K O L U S H E L P N G Y
S C T A L L T E L P Z T T T X
Y R A P X V Y T G V L R I B P
F H A M L A E C N O C L A F K
E T C O U R A G E Z B E W A W
H S S E N D O O G K M V S A P
S T R O N G H O L D E E A H O
A X R N N Y S A V X E L R D E
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Lord    Light    Salvation    Stronghold    Confident    Beauty

Shelter    Conceal    Lift    Gracious    Answers    Help

Teaches    Level    Path    Goodness    Living    Wait    Strong    Courage

## Announcements

**Women's Discipleship Group:** Meets tomorrow evening at church and on Zoom at 7:00 PM. Contact Janet Pryor for more information. We will be discussing Lesson 12 of *James: Portrait of a Living Faith*, "Woe the Rich." It covers James 5:1-6. Please join us even if you don't have a book or have missed the earlier lessons. We would love to have you study God's word with us! Lesson 13 is the last lesson in the book, so please be thinking of what you would like the group to do next.

**Wednesday Prayer Meeting:** Join us on Zoom for prayer at 7:30 PM.

**Conversational English:** In-person classes will be starting on September 7. Teachers and assistants are needed! Training is provided (3 opportunities on Zoom this summer and in-person at Chapelgate September 16 and 17). We are also in need of two paid childcare workers. Contact Janet Pryor for more information.

**Southwest Emergency Services Donations:** Donations of food, household items and clothes are welcome.

**Sunday Offering:** There will be no offering plate passed on Sunday. Please put Sunday offerings in the box on the front door of the church.

# **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

**Children's Church:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month

## **Church Leadership**

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