



# GRACE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

*He exalts over you with singing  
Zephaniah 3:14*

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 | April 23, 2023

## 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 69:30*

I will praise the name of God with a song; I will magnify him with thanksgiving.

### Call to Worship: *Psalm 100*

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. "Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations."

### Invocation

•**Opening Hymn:** *Rejoice the Lord is King*

### Confession of Sin

O Lord, You who are all merciful, take away my sins from me and enkindle within me the fire of Your Holy Spirit. Take away this heart of stone from me and give me a heart of flesh and blood, a heart to love and adore You, a heart which may delight in You, love You, and please You, for Christ's sake. Amen.

### Assurance of Pardon: *Ephesians 1:7-9*

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ.

### Confession of Faith: *Apostle's Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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**+Song of Response:** *Greater than Great*

**+Hymn of Thanksgiving:** *His Mercy is More*

### **Children's Moment**

*(Ages 4-8 are dismissed after Children's Moment)*

### **Pastoral Prayer**

**+Scripture Reading:** *Zephaniah 3:14*

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**Sermon:** *He exalts over you with singing*

Rev. Doug Serven

**+Song of Application:** *Mighty to Save*

**+Benediction**

*+If able, please stand*

## Sermon Notes

## Announcements

*We welcome Doug Serven to the pulpit this morning. Doug has two non-ministry degrees from the University of Missouri-Columbia and the University of Oklahoma. He graduated from Covenant Seminary in 2000, started the RUF chapter at the University of Oklahoma in 2001, and then he planted City Presbyterian Church in Oklahoma City in 2011. He moved to Baltimore in 2022. Doug is married to Julie, and they have four adult children. Doug enjoys editing and publishing books, baseball, live music, sailing, cooking, and writing movies.*

**Luncheon Today:** Join us downstairs for fellowship and to meet and greet Doug and Julie directly after the service.

**Zoom Prayer Meeting:** Every Wednesday at 7:30 PM. Contact Jim for details.

**Zoom Town Hall Meeting:** Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM to discuss Pastor Serven's candidacy.

**Save the Date, May 7<sup>th</sup>:** Congregational Meeting called immediately following the Worship Service, pending outcome of pastoral candidate visit.

**English As a Second Language:** God continues to use our ESL program in amazing ways. Give thanks for each relationship that we are able to form, and pray that these lessons and relationships would allow our global citizens to see the love of Christ and understand how God speaks to each one without translation! The session has approved a **special offering for the ESL program** since it has many more to provide for than was anticipated in our budget. You may give any week for the next three weeks, just mark your gift for the ESL program.

**All church work day:** Join us May 20<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 AM to 12:00!

**Save the Date: VBS is June 26-30 this year.** See Bonnie or Janet Pryor if interested in helping!

**Adult Sunday School:** Karl and Debbie Dortzbach have begun a series on the history and practices in missions. We will use mission stories to understand practical questions that missionaries face.

### **Nursery/Children's Church Rotation**

TODAY: Diane, Janice in Nursery Room. Next week: (4.30) Kathy, Renata



# **Ministry Schedule**

*(Changes to the schedule will be in the Announcements)*

## **SUNDAY**

**Sunday School:** 8:50 – 9:45 AM

**Adults** in Trailer

**Children 4-12 yrs.** in main classroom in the church

**Fellowship Time** between Sunday School and Service

**Worship Service:** 10 AM

**Nursery** (infant -3yrs.) in Toddler Room during service (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

**Children's Care** (4-8 yrs.) before Pastoral Prayer in Toddler Room (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

## **MONDAY**

**Women's Discipleship Group:** 7 PM

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month

Meets in person and on Zoom

Contact Diane Darchicourt

## **WEDNESDAY**

**Conversational English Classes:** 9:30 -11:30 AM

Meets weekly during the school year

Contact Janet Pryor

**Zoom Praying Meeting:** 7:30-8:30 PM

Meets weekly

Contact Jim Darchicourt

## **SATURDAY**

**Men's Discipleship Group:** 7 AM

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month at the church

Contact John Daniello

# **Welcome to Grace Reformed Presbyterian Church**

**Dear Guest:** Welcome you 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 and children 4-12 yrs.

**Worship Service:** 10:00 AM

## **Church Leadership**

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