

Grace Presbyterian Church

June 1, 2025

9:30 am

WELCOME AND VISION STATEMENT

We are an open and affirming congregation.

**We genuinely welcome people of all ages,
race, ethnicities, genders, sexual orientations,
beliefs,
and those who are cognitively
and or physically challenged.**

Our vision is to be a community of love and purpose,
**each one engaged in ministry,
seeking to know Christ, growing in discipleship,
and embodying God's love for the world.**



Prayer Candles

Before Worship, you may offer a prayer and light a candle at the communion table.

We Gather

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 16)

Keep me safe, O God,
for I come to you for refuge.

**In your presence, O God, is joy and contentment.
Show me the path that leads to life.**

You are my Lord.
Every good thing I have comes from you.

**In your presence, O God, is joy and contentment.
Show me the path that leads to life.**

I bless the Lord,
whose wise teaching guides my days
and centers my mind at night.
God is always present with me.
I will not live in fear, or abandon my calling,
for his presence surrounds me wherever I go.

**In your presence, O God, is joy and contentment.
Show me the path that leads to life.**

So my heart is glad,
my soul is full of joy and contentment,
and my body is at rest.

Who could ask for anything more?

**In your presence, O God, is joy and contentment.
Show me the path that leads to life.**

*Opening Hymn #79 "Light Dawns on a Weary World"

Call to Confession

We humble ourselves before God, trusting God's love to save us. Let us pray...

Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God,
You have created our bodies in Your image,
fearfully and wonderfully made.
Yet we confess that we have not honored this gift.
We have neglected rest, abused food, ignored pain,
and failed to care for our physical well-being.
We have compared ourselves to others, seeking
worth in appearance rather than in You.**

**As the Body of Christ, we have also failed to
function in unity. We have wounded each other
with judgment, withheld compassion, and failed to
lift one another in love. Forgive us for when we
have been disconnected, indifferent, or divisive.**

Restore us, O God.

**Teach us to honor our bodies as temples of Your
Spirit and to love and serve one another as
members of one Body.**

**Make us whole—individually and together—
so that we may reflect Your healing, grace, and
unity in the world.**

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news:

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation;
the old has gone, the new has come.

(2 Corinthians 5:17)

Through Christ, our sins are forgiven, our bodies
redeemed, and our unity restored.

**We live now in the freedom and healing that only
God can give. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Hymn #755 "Alleluia, Laud and Blessing" (please remain
seated, singing vs. 1 only)

We Reflect

Prayer of Illumination

Creator and Ruler of the Earth,
continue to form us into Your new creation,
that we might welcome You to more fully become
the ruler of our hearts and minds.

Through Him who came as a servant,
and who now reigns over all creation,
Jesus, our Christ. Amen.

~ posted on My Redeemer Lives website. <http://www.myredeemerlives.com/prayers.html>

Reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians 11:23-26

A time for Children and the Young in heart

Reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians 12:12-27

SERMON

*Hymn #485 We Know That Christ Is Raised"

We Respond

MISSION STATEMENT

Our Mission is **to Know, Love, and Serve God**

Offertory Invitation

Musical Meditation

Prayer of Dedication

(Many thanks to all who contribute to the mission and ministry of our church in offering plates during worship and by electronic giving throughout the month).

Prayers of God's People (sharing of Joys and Concerns)

Lord, in your mercy/with thanksgiving, **Hear our prayer.**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer after communion

We Are Sent

*Hymn # 546 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

*Charge and Benediction

Don't you know that you are temples of the Holy Spirit?
Go and glorify God in your bodies, which is a most
reasonable worship.

May the grace of Christ Jesus, bless you.

Amen!

May the love of God, bless you.

Amen!

May the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, bless you.

Amen!

— written by Bruce Prewer, on Bruce Prewer's Homepage.

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Peace be with you!

And also with you.

*(We invite you to offer a sign of peace to those around
you and as you gather for fellowship. We remind you to
ask what folks feel comfortable with...a verbal greeting, a
handshake or fist bump, etc. Do not assume.)*

POSTLUDE

***Indicates, please stand in body or spirit.**

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