Grace Presbyterian Church

November 8, 2026 **9:30 am**

WELCOME AND VISION STATEMENT

We are an open and affirming congregation.
**We genuinely welcome people of all ages,
races, 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.**



We Gather

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS
Minute for Mission: Stewardship

Call to worship Psalm (based on Psalm 24:1-6)
The earth is the Lord's and everything in it,
the world and its inhabitants too.
Because God is the one who established it on the seas;
God set it firmly on the waters.
Who can ascend the Lord's mountain?
Who can stand in his holy sanctuary?
Only the one with clean hands and a pure heart;
the one who hasn't made false promises,
the one who hasn't sworn dishonestly.
That kind of person receives blessings from the Lord
and righteousness from the God who saves.
And that's how things are
with the generation that seeks God—

Hymn #410 "God is Calling Through the Whisper"

Call to Confession
Relying on your promise of forgiveness we approach with humble hearts, hear our prayer, O Lord.

Prayer of Confession
O Giver of every good and perfect gift, we confess that we are poor stewards of your bounty. You give us time, but we waste it. You give us wealth, but

we make it serve our own comfort, hiding the talents you have given us and taking creation for granted. Forgive us, Lord; turn our hearts from being getters to being givers through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Words of Assurance
Hear the good news: God does not measure our worth by what we clutch tightly in our hands, but by the grace freely poured out for us through Jesus Christ.
In Christ, you are forgiven, renewed, and called to a life of generous service.
Thanks be to God!

Sung response #701 "Lord, Prepare Me to be a Sanctuary" (please remain seated and sing 2x)

We Reflect

Prayer for Understanding
We are listening, Lord God.
Speak your words into the depths of our souls,
that we may hear you clearly.
Give us the wisdom and insight
to understand your will for us
and the fervor to carry out our good intentions. Amen.

A Reading from Deuteronomy 8

Time with Children

A Reading from Matthew 6:1-21

Sermon

Hymn #694 "Great God of Every Blessing"

We Respond

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

Offering- Invitation to share

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 Lord's Prayer

We Are Sent

Hymn#327 "From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

*Charge and Benediction
May God, the giver of all good gifts, fill your hearts with gratitude and your hands with generosity.
Go forth into the world to use what you have received in service to your neighbor and glory to God.

And the blessing of God Almighty—Creator, Redeemer and Spirit—be upon you, and remain with you always. Amen.

<u>*Sharing the Peace of Christ</u>
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.)

Indicates, please stand in body or spirit.
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