

Welcome to Grace Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are here and look forward to discovering ways that we can grow in faith and service together. We pray that you will be blessed in worship today. If you have any questions, we encourage you to contact the church office at (337) 984-6400 or gracpreb@lusfiber.net. For Pastoral Care, please contact Rev. Pat at (337) 781-1806.

THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH:

Sunday, March 3 *Communion*

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. – After Church Fellowship

Sunday, March 10

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. – After Church Fellowship

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SPRING FORWARD – Next Weekend will be when the time changes. Make sure to set your clock **forward 1-hour** before going to sleep on **Saturday, March 9th**!

2024 PHONE DIRECTORIES – are ready for pickup TODAY! They are located on the table outside the Sanctuary. Feel free to take more than 1 copy if you wish. Many peoples information has changed since our 2023 directory, so make sure to pick up a copy today.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES:

PALM SUNDAY SERVICE – will be on **Sunday, March 24th** at **10:30 a.m.** at Grace Presbyterian.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE – will be held on **Thursday, March 28th** at **5:30 p.m.** at Grace Presbyterian. We will also have a “potluck supper” and invite everyone to bring a dish. Communion will be served at our Maundy Thursday Service.

GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER VIGIL – will be held on **Friday, March 29th** at First Presbyterian Church from **11am-1pm**. During this time, there will be several different prayer stations you can visit.

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE – will be on **Sunday, March 31st** at **10:30 a.m.** at Grace Presbyterian Church.

Grace Presbyterian prays for..... (new in bold)

Bob & Katherine Hess
Elke Hitt
Betty Adams
Pam Fontenot
Jim & Jean McLain
Bill & Bette Grubb
Mary Ann Daigle
Mary Lou Montgomery
Troy & Melanie Lillie (Sarah Gaspard)
Larry Schendel (Katharine Schendel)
Joyce Sorbet (Nick Manzo)
Mona Faherty (Sandy Stewart)
Jeff & Leslie Zellers (Melissa Gonzalez)
Sherri Elter (Danny Jones)
Cal Odom
Alice Guillotte (Betty Adams)
Judy Lopez (Pam Sanders)
Ms. Mary Jo Brook
Tiffani Bass & Mazen Lee McCoy (William Baker)
Larry Baker (Nancy Sorbet)
Linda Scholes (Jean McLain)
Mildred & Maryann Baker (William Baker)



Grace Presbyterian Staff

Pat Wadsworth	Interim Pastor
Sarah Gaspard	Administrator
Gray Guillot	Custodian
Katharine Schendel	Organist/Pianist
Nick Manzo	Music Director

Grace Presbyterian Church of Lafayette

Unashamed in
Jesus' Name, we will

Gather,
Grow,
and
Go

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Celebration of Worship

March 3, 2024

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude Ann Voge

Silent Meditation

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: The heavens tell about the glory of God.

People: The skies show that his hands created them.

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Father of us all, as we move quickly toward Easter, and it feels more and more like spring, help us to see and enjoy the new life around us. May our faith be refreshed, and our hope renewed for the eternal life with you promised in Jesus' death and resurrection; in whose name we pray, amen.

*Opening Song "This Is My Father's World" Blue #293

Call to Confession

Leader: Lord, forgive our hidden faults.

People: Also keep us from the sins we want to commit.

Leader: Let us confess our sin together to the Lord our God.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Heavenly Father, scripture tells us over and over that your commands are just and your laws are for our benefit; but we confess that our spirits still rebel against "control," and we often resent structure we feel is imposed on us. Forgive our reluctance to trust

you, and help us to grow in gratitude for your wisdom and compassion for our nature. Help us to rely more deeply on your will, and to find our deepest joy in pleasing you. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Lord, may these words of our mouths please you.

People: And may these thoughts of our hearts please you also.

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God!

*Praise Response

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

Grow - Proclaim God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Exodus 20:1-17

Special Music Nick Manzo

Epistle Reading 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Gospel Reading John 2:13-22

Message Rev. Pat Wadsworth

*Communion Hymn "Jesus Loves Me!" Blue #304

Give Thanks to God

Offering and Offertory

*The Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's table

Prayer of Consecration The Lord's Prayer

Communion of the People

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Go - In God's Name

*Closing Song "O for a World" Blue #386

*Benediction Rev. Pat Wadsworth

*Postlude Ann Voge



*Those that are able please stand.

VISITOR CARDS – if you are a visitor today, please fill out a "welcome card" which is located on the table as you exit the sanctuary. Please place the completed card in the offering plate (*located on the same table*) so we can have a record of you joining us today.