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 or at wadp1@msn.com.

THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH:

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. – After Church Refreshments

Thursday, March 28 Maundy Thursday

5:30 p.m. – Maundy Thursday Service

(Potluck & Communion)

Friday, March 29 Good Friday

11:00 a.m. – Prayer Vigil at First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday

10:30 a.m. – Worship in Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. – After Church Refreshments

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

EASTER LILIES – are on sale again today. The cost is \$12.00/each. There is a table set up outside the Sanctuary for you to let us know who to "honor" or "remember". Cash or checks payable to Grace.

2024 PHONE DIRECTORIES — if you have not picked up a directory yet, there are still some available on the table outside the Sanctuary today.

<u>MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE (with Communion)</u> – will be held on **Thursday, March 28**th at **5:30 p.m.** at Grace Presbyterian. We will also have a "potluck supper" and invite everyone to bring a dish. Sign up poster is located in the Fellowship Hall today!

<u>GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER VIGIL</u> – 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.

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

Grace Presbyterian Prays for......(New Requests in Bold)

Family & Friends of Bob Hess

Katherine Hess

Donna Causey

Elke Hitt

Betty Adams

Pam Fontenot

Jim & Jean McLain

Bill & Bette Grubb

Mary Ann Daigle

Mary Lou Montgomery

Michael Jamison (Katharine Schendel)

Grant & Kailey Frick (Sarah Gaspard)

Mrs. Peebles (Gail Rea)

Troy & Melanie Lillie (Sarah Gaspard)

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)



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Gather,
Grow,

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Celebration of Worship

March 24, 2024

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Gather - Assemble in God's Name

Prelude Ann Voge

Silent Meditation

Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: I trust in you, Lord.

People: I say, "You are my God."

Opening Prayer (in unison)

We praise you, O God, for your redemption of the world through Jesus Christ, who entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph and was proclaimed Messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Let these branches be signs of his victory, and grant that we who carry them may follow him in the way of the cross, that, dying and rising with him, we may enter into your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

*Hymn "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Blue #89

Call to Confession

Leader: Lord, have mercy on me. I'm in deep trouble.

People: I'm so sad I can hardly see.

Leader: Let us confess our sin together to the God of

mercy.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God our Father, we thank you for Jesus' humble ride into Jerusalem on this day, showing the world what

kind of king he was. We tend to judge those who acclaimed him with shouts of adoration on that day, but later betrayed him. It reminds us that we, too, betray him when following is not convenient. Forgive us, we pray, our own fickle faith, that shrinks in the face of popular pressure, and shrinks from bold words and actions for your kingdom. Reconcile us to yourself and to one another, that we may gratefully share the good news at the resurrection of our Lord. In his name we pray, amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: May you look on me with favor, Lord. **People: Save me because your love is faithful.**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.

Grow - Proclaim God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 50:4-9

Special Music Nick Manzo

Epistle Reading Philippians 2:5-11

New Testament Reading Mark 14-15

Message Rev. Pat Wadsworth

*Affirmation of Faith (in unison)

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn *"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"* Blue #387

Give Thanks to God

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer ("debts and debtors")

Offering

*Doxology

Go- In God's Name

*Closing Song "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" Blue #88

*Benediction Rev. Pat Wadsworth

*Postlude Ann Voge



^{*}Those that are able please stand

^{*}Passing of the Peace

^{*}Prayer of Dedication