

Sunday Morning Service January 5, 2025

All Creatures of our God and King William Henry Draper, and St. Francis of Assisi Public Domain

All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing. O praise Him! Alleluia! Thou, burning sun with golden beam. Thou, silver moon with softer gleam. O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness. O praise Him! Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three-in-One. O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the redeemed washed by His blood, come and rejoice in His great love. O praise Him! Alleluia! Christ has defeated every sin, cast all your burdens now on Him. O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He shall return in pow'r to reign, Heaven and earth will join to say: O praise Him! Alleluia! Then who shall fall on bended knee? All creatures of our God and King. O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Welcome & Announcements

Confession of Faith

Apostles' 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 at 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 life everlasting. Amen.

Memory Verse Hosea 6:6 (ESV) For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

Call to Worship & Prayer

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. **Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.** The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters. **The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.**

> Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord Julia Harriette Johnston and Daniel Brink Towner Public Domain

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt Psalm 29:1-4

Chorus Grace grace God's grace Grace that will pardon and cleanse within Grace grace God's grace Grace that is greater than all our sin

Sin and despair like the sea waves cold Threaten the soul with infinite loss Grace that is greater yes grace untold Points to the refuge the mighty Cross

Chorus

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide What can avail to wash it away Look there is flowing a crimson tide Whiter than snow you may be today *Chorus*

Marvelous infinite matchless grace Freely bestowed on all who believe You that are longing to see His face Will you this moment His grace receive *Chorus x2*

Corporate and Silent Confession of Sin

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken and give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let your word abide with us until it has wrought in us your holy will. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Colossians 1:21–22, ESV

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him.

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Grace will prevail, though the darkness is strong and the burden weighs heavy and long, Grace will prevail, for our God is the Light, rending the cover of night Grace will prevail

Grace will prevail in the valleys of shame, where the echoes of failure remain Grace will prevail with the cry to the Lord, there's a mountain of mercy in store Grace will prevail

> *Chorus Wait for the Lord our God, wait for the Lord our God Wait for the Lord, our rest and reward and our peace*

Grace will prevail through the wreckage and storm, and the brokenness washed on the shore Grace will prevail, though an ocean we cry He is with us and weeps by our side till the day they forever run dry

Chorus

(Bridge) Take heart, he has overcome the world He has overcome *Chorus*

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts*, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen. *sins/trespasses

Sermon

A Doxology of Great Joy! (Jude 24-25)

Rev. Dave Latham

He Will Hold Me Fast

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When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast I could never keep my hold, through life's fearful path For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast

Chorus He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast He'll not let my soul be lost, His Promises shall last Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast *Chorus*

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last *Chorus*

* Benediction

The Doxology Thomas Ken, 1709

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW IN GOD'S GRACE

Sunday	
9:00 a.m	Sunday School
10:15 a.m	Worship Service
6:00-7:30 p.m	Youth Group
Wednesday 4:30 p.m	
January 15 th , 5:30 p.m	Fellowship Dinner

Roots 2025 is coming up January 24 - 26!

Nominations for the offices of ruling elder and deacon are open through January 31st. Please be in prayer as you consider which qualified men (based on 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1) you may wish to nominate.

GRACE CHURCH DAILY PRAYER CALENDAR		
DAY	CHURCH FAMILY	MISSIONARY / MINISTRY
SUNDAY	Kristen & Bryan Vaughn Riley, Hannah & AJ	Betty & Rick Aschmann MTW, Ecuador
MONDAY	Linda & Gary Wagoner	Molly & Vinnie Athey RUF at UAH
TUESDAY	Shelby Weatherly	Brenda Carter MTW, Taiwan
WEDNESDAY	Alethea Wofford	Sharlene & Brandon Coker MAF, Canada
THURSDAY	Judy Wood	Aileen Coleman MAFRAQ Hospital, Jordan
FRIDAY	Alcia & David Atchley	Kathy & Scott Craig MTW, Mexico
SATURDAY	Anne & Rick Bearden	Kelci & Tanner Crum RUF at Auburn

Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Search Committee Kathleen Owen – recovery from back surgery Gary Wagoner – healing and recovery Nathan Smith (Kevin & Brandy Smith's son) - Lyme Disease flare-up/upcoming tests Sheryl Lewis (former GPC pastor's wife) – healing from infection

Various Cancer Treatments

Paula Knuckles, Leanne Burkett Weatherford, Roy Brittain, Rhonda Stewart, Rosa Weaver, Josh Brooks, Teresa Barksdale, Rachel Davis, Mary Stover, Sam Franklin

2024 Faith Promise Commitment \$106,660.00

2024 Faith Promise Giving: \$124,735.20