

SUNDAY MORNINGS @ GRACE

Adult Ministry

Adult Sunday School: Meets in the lower level at 9:15a.m.

Children’s Ministry

Gracekids (1st– 3rd Grade) & Gracelittles (PreK-K) Children’s Church: Offered during the sermon in the lower level. The children are dismissed at the end of announcements. Gracebabies (0-3 years old) Nursery: In the lower level and is provided the entire service beginning at 10:15AM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Events

Men’s Movie Night	March 23, 7pm
Palm Sunday	March 24
Evening Service	March 24, 6:30pm
Maundy Thursday	March 28, 6:15pm, nursery
Easter Sunrise Service	March 31, 6:30am
Easter Services	March 31, 8:30am & 10:30am
Easter Egg Hunt	Following the Easter service
Women's Retreat at YMCA of the Rockies, Estes Park	April 19th - April 21st

- **GraceKids Easter Egg Hunt**–All kids are invited to join us for an egg hunt around noon on Easter. Parents if your child would like to participate please drop off a dozen filled eggs/child at the nursery counter in the lower level any time before Easter Sunday.
- **Men’s Movie Night** – Men, invite your friends and neighbors for movie night, Saturday, March 23. Join us at 7:00 pm in the church sanctuary. Any questions, contact Gary Scott at gary.w.scott@gmail.com.
- **Maundy Thursday** – A worship and communion service during Holy Week, March 28 at 6:15-7:30pm, nursery provided.
- **Elder, Deacon, and Deconess Nominations** – Nominations begin March 1, email Josh Ooms (joshooms1@gmail.com) with your nominations.
- **Grace Women’s Retreat** – Register TODAY for the April 19-21 Women’s Retreat! Grab more info in the foyer or contact gracewomen@gracefortcollins.org
- **ChurchSuite** – Email admin@gracefortcollins.org to be added to the online directory!

CONTACT INFO//GET INVOLVED

**Pastor:** Rev. Gavin Lymberopoulos//gavin@gracefortcollins.org  
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GRACE CHURCH PRESBYTERIAN

Loving God - Loving People - Loving Life

VISION

Grace Church is an authentic community knowing and making known the love, hope, joy and freedom of Jesus. Through a gospel saturated message, Grace Church will embrace the city and the world with authentic relationships, loving leadership, engaging worship and a robust world and life view!

MISSION

**Loving God** ❖Out of a belief in the gospel, we are called to love God through engaging worship and vibrant discipleship. God’s glory, not our preferences, will guide decisions we make. His beauty, majesty and holiness will overwhelm and govern our lives. We desire to spread His fame in Fort Collins and beyond!

**Loving People** ❖Out of a belief in the gospel, we are called to love others. As a community, we are to live out the gospel through truth, love, hospitality, and kindness. We are not solely about the individual, but the body. We move into, not out of, the city and the world. Through the gospel, God blesses and makes us a blessing. Christ meets our needs that we may serve God and others!

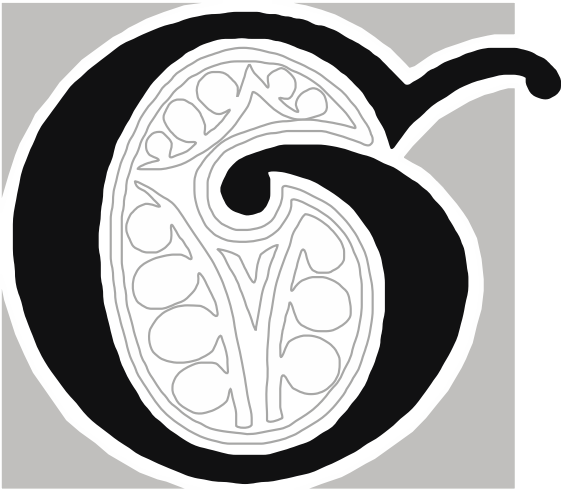
**Loving Life** ❖Out of a belief in the gospel, we will passionately live out the gospel life where we live, work, and play. We are called to enter work by taking the “formless” and “raw” places of the world and cultivating them. We will celebrate what God has done in creation literally eating and drinking to the glory of God! There will be a sense of longing in our midst as we wait for the new heavens and the new earth.

GRACE GROUPS

Some churches have small groups, or community groups, or life groups - ours are called Grace Groups. These gatherings take place at various times throughout the week across the greater Fort Collins region. Each group strives to show hospitality, build friendships, and strengthen our ability to carry each other's burdens. To put it another way, Grace Groups exist to grow disciples of Jesus Christ who love each other, our neighborhoods, and our world. Please reach out to Glenn Nelson (glennmail97@gmail.com) or Steph Mikkelsen (admin@gracefortcollins.org) to find a group.



Scan this code to request prayer or to connect to the Grace community.



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March 17, 2024

WELCOME AND REFLECTION

*Settle this in your heart: Whether I am up or down, the Lord Jesus is the same. Whether I sing or sigh, the promise is true and the Promiser is faithful. Whether I stand on the summit or am hidden in the vale the covenant stands fast and everlasting love abides.*  
– Charles Spurgeon

PRAISE THE LORD

† Call to Worship Hebrews 12:28-29  
Let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, 29 for our God is a consuming fire.

- † Hymn of Worship “Be Thou My Vision”
1. Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
  2. Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
  3. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High king of heaven, my treasure Thou art.
  4. High king of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

† 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.

RENEWAL	
Scripture Reading	Matthew 16:24-26
24 Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. 25 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. 26 For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul?	
This is the word of the Lord <b>Thanks be to God.</b>	
Prayer of Confession	
ALL: <b>Gracious Father, we confess that we are tempted to love the world more than we love you. We confess that we are tempted to deny others instead of denying ourself. Teach us to take up our cross and follow your Son Jesus so that we may glorify Him by the Spirit.</b>	

Silent Confession
<i>We would like to offer a full minute for you to enter into this sacred space with God. As he meets you here, may you be renewed in his presence.</i>

ASSURANCE OF PARDON	
† Scripture Reading	Isaiah 53:5
But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.	
† Hymn of Response	“Before the Throne of God Above”
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea A great High Priest whose name is love who ever lives and pleads for me My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart I know that while in heav’n He stands No tongue can bid me thence depart, No tongue can bid me thence depart</li><li>When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end to all my sin Because the sinless Savior died my sinful soul is counted free For God the Just is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me</li><li>Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless Righteousness The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace One with Himself, I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood My life is hid with Christ on high With Christ my Savior and my God, With Christ my Savior and my God</li></ol>	

† Scripture Reading	Psalms 6:4-10
Turn, O Lord, deliver my life; save me for the sake of your steadfast love. For in death there is no remembrance of you; in Sheol who will give you praise? I am weary with my moaning; every night I flood my bed with tears; I drench my couch with my weeping. <b>My eye wastes away because of grief; it grows weak because of all my foes. Depart from me, all you workers of evil, for the Lord has heard the sound of my weeping.</b> The Lord has heard my plea; the Lord accepts my prayer. All my enemies shall be ashamed and greatly troubled; they shall turn back and be put to shame in a moment.	

† Gloria Patri
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.

OFFER YOURSELF TO THE LORD	
Presentation of the Tithes and Offerings	Hebrews 12:1-2
Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, 2 looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.	
Musical Reflection	
Prayer	~Children 3 years – 3rd grade dismissed to line up downstairs for Children's Church.~

PREACHING OF THE WORD	
Scripture Reading	Exodus 24:1-18
Then he said to Moses, “Come up to the Lord, you and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, and worship from afar. 2 Moses alone shall come near to the Lord, but the others shall not come near, and the people shall not come up with him.” 3 Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord and all the rules. And all the people answered with one voice and said, “All the words that the Lord has spoken we will do.”4 And Moses wrote down all the words of the Lord. He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. 5 And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the Lord. 6 And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. 7 Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, “All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient.” 8 And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, “Behold the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words.” 9 Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, 10 and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. 11 And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.12 The Lord said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” 13 So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. 14 And he said to the elders, “Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them.”15 Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. 16 The glory of the Lord dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. 17 Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. 18 Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.	
The grass withers, the flowers fade, <b>but the word of our God will stand forever.</b>	
Intercessory Prayer	Isaiah 40:8
Sermon	“God’s Gracious Covenant” Rev. Gavin Lymberopoulos

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM	
<i>Baptism of Garrett Chase Schluter, child of Cameron and Ali Schluter</i> <i>Baptism of James Alexander Bergren, child of Nick and Bekka Bergren</i>	
Scripture Reading	Romans 6:1-4
What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? 2 By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? 3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life	

Questions for the Parents:
Do you acknowledge <i>[child’s name]</i> need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
Do you claim God’s covenant promises in <i>[child’s name]</i> behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do your own?
Do you now unreservedly dedicate him to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the doctrines of our faith, and that you will strive, by all means of God’s appointment, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?
Question for the Congregation:
Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the <i>[family name]</i> in the Christian nurture of <i>[child’s name]</i> ?

† Hymn of Worship	“We Will Feast in the House of Zion”
<i>Chorus:</i> We will feast in the house of Zion, We will sing with our hearts restored. He has done great things, we will say together We will feast and weep no more.	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>We will not be burned by the fire, he is the Lord our God We are not consumed by the flood, Upheld, protected, gathered up! (<i>Chorus</i>)</li><li>In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul be not afraid. For the promised morning: O how long? O God of Jacob be my strength! (<i>Chorus</i>)</li><li>Every vow we’ve broken and betrayed; You are the faithful one. And from the garden to the grave Bind us together bring shalom! (<i>Chorus</i>)</li></ol>	
† Hymn of Blessing and Sending	“Wonderful, Merciful Savior”
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Wonderful, merciful Savior, Precious Redeemer and Friend Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men? Oh, you rescue the souls of men.</li><li>Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way Oh, we hopelessly lost the way. <i>Chorus: You are the One that we praise; You are the One we adore You give the healing and grace, Our hearts always hunger for Oh, our hearts always hunger for</i></li><li>Almighty, infinite Father, Faithfully loving Your own Here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne Oh, we're falling before Your throne. (<i>Chorus</i> x2)</li></ol>	

† Benediction
† <i>Congregation Standing</i>
<b>Bold–</b> <i>Congregational Response</i>