# SUNDAY MORNINGS @ GRACE

#### Adult Ministry

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

#### **Children's Ministry**

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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Upcoming Events**

3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade Kids Night Town Hall Meeting May 5, 5:30-6:30pm May 26, following the service

- Kids Night for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Graders! WHEN? TONIGHT from 5:30-6:30. WHAT? Pizza 5:30-5:45, song and Gospel lesson 5:45-6:00, discussion groups 6:00-6:15, games/dessert from 6:15-6:30. WHERE? Drop off at Grace Church Lower Level.
- Membership Class Our next class for those interested in becoming members or learning more about Grace Church is May 25, 9am-noon. Contact Gavin at gavin@gracefortcollins.org to register.
- Town Hall Meeting Join us following the service on May 26 to learn more about what's going on at Grace Church.
- Summer Youth Trip 2024 Join Grace Youth for an epic 4-day, 3-night adventure at Glendo Reservoir, WY. We will be camping on the beach, tubing/waterskiing, and digging into faith and life with youth leaders and friends. Contact Jon Hoppin (jonathanhoppin@gmail.com) for more info or grab a flyer, scan the code, and sign up!
- ChurchSuite Email admin@gracefortcollins.org to be added to the online directory!

# CONTACT INFO//GET INVOLVED

<u>Pastor</u>: Rev. Gavin Lymberopoulos//gavin@gracefortcollins.org <u>Elders:</u> Jon Hoppin, Bruce Jenkins, Glenn Nelson, Josh Ooms, Gary Scott

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<u>grace.churchsuite.co.uk/my</u> – Online Photo Directory (*Printed upon request*)

www.gracefortcollins.org – Facebook.com/gracefortcollins ~ Instagram: @Gracefoco Weekly E-Newsletters— Sign up at www.gracefortcollins.org

<u>Grace Text-to-Give (Kindrid):</u> Text "Give" to (970)800-2376

# 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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# GRACE CHURCH presbyterian

# Loving God - Loving People - Loving Life

At this small, lonely place in the midst of the chaos of the wilderness, a new creation comes into being. In the midst of disorder, there is order. The tabernacle is the world order as God intended writ small in Israel. The priests of the sanctuary going about their appointed courses is like everything in creation performing its liturgical service - the sun, the trees, human beings. The people of Israel carefully encamped around the tabernacle in their midst constitutes the beginnings of God's bringing creation back to what it was intended to be. -Terence Fretheim

# PRAISE THE LORD

#### † Call to Worship

Psalm 100:3-4

3 Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. 4 Enter...his courts with praise!

#### † Hymn of Worship

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

- 1. Come Thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.
- 2. Here I raise my Ebenezer hither by Thy help I'm come And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.
- 3. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

#### † Pastoral Prayer

# RENEWAL

#### Scripture Reading

Isaiah 6:1-5

I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. 2 Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. 3 And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" 4 And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. 5 And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. You are Holy and good, and left to our selves, we are impure and wicked. Forgive us for the way we use our mouth to do harm instead of building up. We ask this in Jesus name. Amen.

#### Silent Confession

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.

# **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

#### † Scripture Reading

Ephesians 1:7

7 In [Christ] we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace.

#### † Hymn of Response

"From Depths of Woe"

- 1. From the depths of woe I raise to Thee the voice of lamentation; Lord, turn a gracious ear to me and hear my supplication; If Thou iniquities dost mark, our secret sins and misdeeds dark, O who shall stand before Thee? (Who shall stand before Thee?) 2x
- 2. To wash away the crimson stain, Grace, grace alone availeth; Our works, alas! Are all in vain; in much the best life faileth; No man can glory in Thy sight, all must alike confess Thy might, And live alone by mercy (Live alone by mercy) 2x
- 3. Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine own merit; On Him my soul shall rest, His word upholds my fainting spirit; His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort and my sweet support; I wait for it with patience (Wait for it with patience) 2x
- 4. Though great our sins and sore our woes His grace much more aboundeth; His helping love no limit knows, our utmost need it soundeth. Our Shepherd good and true is He, Who will at last His Israel free From all their sin and sorrow (All their sin and sorrow) 2x

#### † Westminster Shorter Catechism Q11

What are God's works of providence?

God's works of providence are his most holy, wise and powerful preserving and governing all his creatures, and all their actions.

## †Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him, all creatures here below, Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# OFFER YOURSELF TO THE LORD

# Presentation of the Tithes and Offerings

Romans 12:1

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

#### Musical Reflection

#### Prayer

~Children 3 years – 3rd grade dismissed to line up downstairs for Children's Church. ~

## PREACHING OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading

Exodus 27-28

27:1, 3, 8 "You shall make the altar of acacia wood. <sup>3</sup> You shall make pots for it to receive its ashes, and shovels and basins and forks and fire pans. You shall make all its utensils of bronze. <sup>8</sup> You shall make it hollow, with boards. As it has been shown you on the mountain, so shall it be made.

27:9, 16 "You shall make the court of the tabernacle. <sup>16</sup> For the gate of the court there shall be a screen twenty cubits long, of blue and purple and scarlet yarns and fine twined linen, embroidered with needlework. It shall have four pillars and with them four bases. 28:1-4 "Then bring near to you Aaron your brother, and his sons with him, from among the people of Israel, to serve me as priests—Aaron and Aaron's sons, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. <sup>2</sup> And you shall make holy garments for Aaron your brother, for glory and for beauty. <sup>3</sup> You shall speak to all the skillful, whom I have filled with a spirit of skill, that they make Aaron's garments to consecrate him for my priesthood. <sup>4</sup> These are the garments that they shall make: a breastpiece, an ephod, a robe, a coat of checker work, a turban, and a sash. They shall make holy garments for Aaron your brother and his sons to serve me as priests.

28:9-12 You shall take two onyx stones, and engrave on them the names of the sons of Israel, <sup>10</sup> six of their names on the one stone, and the names of the remaining six on the other stone, in the order of their birth. <sup>11</sup> As a jeweler engraves signets, so shall you engrave the two stones with the names of the sons of Israel. You shall enclose them in settings of gold filigree. <sup>12</sup> And you shall set the two stones on the shoulder pieces of the ephod, as stones of remembrance for the sons of Israel. And Aaron shall bear their names before the Lord on his two shoulders for remembrance.

28:15-21 "You shall make a breastpiece of judgment, in skilled work. In the style of the ephod you shall make it—of gold, blue and purple and scarlet yarns, and fine twined linen shall you make it. <sup>16</sup> It shall be square and doubled, a span its length and a span its breadth. <sup>17</sup> You shall set in it four rows of stones. A row of sardius, topaz, and carbuncle shall be the first row; <sup>18</sup> and the second row an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond; <sup>19</sup> and the third row a jacinth, an agate, and an amethyst; <sup>20</sup> and the fourth row a beryl, an onyx, and a jasper. They shall be set in gold filigree. <sup>21</sup> There shall be twelve stones with their names according to the names of the sons of Israel. They shall be like signets, each engraved with its name, for the twelve tribes.

28:29-43 On its hem you shall make pomegranates of blue and purple and scarlet yarns, around its hem, with bells of gold between them, <sup>34</sup> a golden bell and a pomegranate, a golden bell and a pomegranate, around the hem of the robe.<sup>35</sup> And it shall be on Aaron when he ministers, and its sound shall be heard when he goes into the Holy Place before the Lord, and when he comes out, so that he does not die. <sup>36</sup> "You shall make a plate of pure gold and engrave on it, like the engraving of a signet, 'Holy to the Lord.' <sup>37</sup> And you shall fasten it on the turban by a cord of blue. It shall be on the front of the turban. <sup>38</sup> It shall be on Aaron's forehead, and Aaron shall bear any guilt from the holy things that the people of Israel consecrate as their holy gifts. It shall regularly be on his forehead, that they may be accepted before the Lord. <sup>39</sup> "You shall weave the coat in checker work of fine linen, and you shall make a turban of fine linen, and you shall make a sash embroidered with needlework. <sup>40</sup> "For Aaron's sons you shall make coats and sashes and caps. You shall make them for glory and beauty. 41 And you shall put them on Aaron your brother, and on his sons with him, and shall anoint them and ordain them and consecrate them, that they may serve me as priests. <sup>42</sup> You shall make for them linen undergarments to cover their naked flesh. They shall reach from the hips to the thighs; <sup>43</sup> and they shall be on Aaron and on his sons when they go into the tent of meeting or when they come near the altar to minister in the Holy Place, lest they bear guilt and die. This shall be a statute forever for him and for his offspring after him.

The grass withers, the flowers fade,

but the word of our God will stand forever.

Isaiah 40:8

Intercessory Prayer Sermon

> "An Invitation to Holiness" Rev. Gavin Lymberopoulos

# THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism of Evelyn Taylor, child of Ben and Laura Taylor

## Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:18-20

<sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

## Questions for the Parents:

Do you acknowledge *Evelyn's* need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?

Do you claim God's covenant promises in *Evelyn's* behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do your own?

Do you now unreservedly dedicate her to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our faith, and that you will strive, by all means of God's appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

## Question for the Congregation:

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the *Taylor family* in the Christian nurture of *Evelyn*?

## † Hymn of Worship

"Jesus I Come"

- Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to thee; Out of my sickness into thy health, Out of my want and into thy wealth, Out of my sin and into thyself, Jesus, I come to thee.
- 2. Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into the glorious gain of thy cross, Jesus, I come to thee; Out of earth's sorrows into thy balm, Out of life's storms and into thy calm, Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to thee.
- 3. Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to thee; Out of myself to dwell in thy love, Out of despair into raptures above, Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to thee.
- 4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into the joy and light of thy home, Jesus, I come to thee; Out of the depths of ruin untold, Into the peace of thy sheltering fold, Ever thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to thee.

#### † Hymn of Blessing and Sending

"If Thou Hast Drawn a Thousand Times"

1. Draw me from created good, From self, the world, and sin To the fountain of Thy blood, And make me pure within

Chorus: If Thou hast drawn a thousand times (Oh draw me Lord again)

Around me cast the Spirit's bands (Oh draw me Lord again)

- 2. Lead me to Thy mercy seat, oh draw me nearer still Like Mary, draw me to Thy feet, to sit and learn Thy will (Chorus)
- 3. Draw me all the desert through with cords of heavenly love
  And when prepared for going home, oh draw me up above (Chorus)

## † Benediction

† Congregation Standing

**Bold**— Congregational Response