SUNDAY MORNINGS @ GRACE

Adult Ministry

Adult Sunday School: Meets in the lower level at 9:20am, childcare is provided. We are studying the top of "Union with Christ".

Children's Ministry

Gracekids (1st– 2nd Grade) & Gracelittles (PreK-K) Children's Church: Offered during the sermon in the lower level. The children are dismissed during the offertory.

Grace babies (0-3 years old) Nursery: In the lower level and is provided during both services beginning at 8:45AM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Potluck at Library Park

Women's Retreat

Volunteer Thank You Lunch

April 20, after church

May 2-4

May 25

- Grace Women's Retreat Registration is open! May 2-4, at the YMCA in Estes Park, scan the QR code on the retreat flyer or visit our website. Questions? Contact: gracewomen@gracefortcollins.org
- Easter Potluck and Egg Hunt Join us after the Easter services for a potluck at Library Park. We'll provide ham and drinks, but please bring a side to share. If your child will participate in the egg hunt please bring a dozen filled eggs and drop them off in the box in the entry way before Easter Sunday!
- Save the Date: VBS July 28-August 1
- ChurchSuite Email admin@gracefortcollins.org to be added to the online directory!

Financial Performance

	<u>February</u>			<u>July-Feb</u>		
	Actual	Budget	Α	ctual	Budget	
Income	\$41,950	\$42,204	\$39	98,077	\$337,633	
Expenses	\$43,791	\$41,718	\$30	01,975	\$333,741	
Net	-\$1,840	\$486	\$9	96,102	\$3,892	

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

For more info contact Glenn Nelson (glennmail97@gmail.com) for mixed groups or Gary Scott (gary.w.scott@gmail.com) for men's and women's groups

Women's Studies

Women's Morning Study @ the Calton Home// Wednesdays 10-11:30AM//Childcare Provided//Leader: Kelly Calton//Contact Kelly (kpcalton@gmail.com or 864-706-4112) Women's Evening Study @ The Worthington // Tuesdays 6:45PM//Leader: Susan

Stauffer//Contact Susan (susansstauffer@gmail.com)

Women's Evening "Mugs and Muffins" @ the Nelson Home//Thursdays 6:30PM//Leader: Terry Nelson //Contact Terry (Text: 970-217-4643)

Men's Studies

Men's Evening Study @ The Stauffer Home // Tuesdays 6:30PM//Leader: Darris Stauffer // Contact Darris (darris stauffer@hotmail.com)

Men's Breakfast @ Grace Church// Thursdays 6:30AM//Leader: Gary Scott// Contact Gary (gary.w.scott@gmail.com)

Mixed Studies

Mid-town Group @the Calton Home//Sundays 5PM //Leader: Wes Calton// Contact Kelly (kpcalton@gmail.com)

Old Town Group @ the Lymberopoulos Home//Sundays 4PM //Leader: Gavin Lymberopoulos//Contact Gavin (gavin@gracefortcollins.org)

North FoCo Group//Sundays 4:30PM //Leaders: Gary Scott and Blake Lewis//Contact Gary (gary.w.scott@gmail.com)

Loveland Group @ the Muraguri Home // Mondays 6PM// Leaders: Stephen and Wairimu Muraguri //Contact Stephen (muraguri.s@gmail.com)

Windsor Group // Tuesdays// Leaders: Ross & Emily Johnson, Josh & Rebekah Ooms//Contact Emily (emcjohnson13@gmail.com)

Mid-town Group @the Hoppin Home//Thursdays 6:30PM // Leaders: Jon & Heather Hoppin//Contact Jon (jonathanhoppin@gmail.com)

South FoCo Group @ the Mikkelsen Home//Thursdays 6:30PM //Leaders: Doug and Stephanie Mikkelsen//Contact Stephanie (stephaniemikk@gmail.com)

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GRACE CHURCH presbyterian

Loving God - Loving People - Loving Life

April 20, 2025
Easter Sunday

WELCOME AND REFLECTION

Entering the house of God to dwell with God, beholding, glorifying and enjoying him eternally, I suggest, is the story of the Bible, the plot that makes sense of the various acts, persons and places of its pages

-Michaell Morales

PRAISE THE LORD

† Call to Worship

Psalm 147:1

Praise the LORD!

For it is good to sing praises to our God;

for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

† Hymn of Worship

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

- Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own: Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.
- Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
 Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified:
 No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
 But downward bends his wond'ring eye at mysteries so bright.
- Crown Him the Lord of Life who triumphed o'er the grave And rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save. His glories now we sing who died and rose on high, Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die.
- 4. Crown Him the Lord of Heaven, one with the Father known One with the Spirit thru Him given from yonder glorious throne. To Thee be endless praise for Thou for us hast died Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days adored and magnified

1. Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears; The bleeding sacrifice, in my behalf appears; Before the throne my Surety stands, Before the throne my Surety stands, My name is written on His hands.

Chorus: Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Shake off your guilty fears and rise

2. He ever lives above, for me to intercede;
His all redeeming love, His precious blood, to plead;
His blood atoned for every race,
His blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

3. Five bleeding wounds He bears; received on Calvary; They pour effectual prayers; they strongly plead for me: "Forgive them, O forgive," they cry, "Forgive them, O forgive," they cry,

4. My God is reconciled; His pardoning voice I hear; He owns me for His child; I can no longer fear With confidence I now draw nigh, With confidence I now draw nigh, And "Father, Abba, Father," cry.

"Don't let these ransomed sinners die!"

† 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

Exodus 20:2-3

"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. "You shall have no other gods before me."

This is the word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession

Book of Common Prayer

Lord, we ask you, absolve your people from their offenses, that through your bountiful goodness we may be delivered from the hands of all those sins, which by our frailty we have committed, grant this, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

† Hymn of Response

"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

- 1. O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.
- 2. O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.
- 3. O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain, That morn shall tearless be.
- 4. O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee;
 I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red
 Life that shall endless be.

† 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 on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living 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.

† 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

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

Musical Reflection

Prayer

~Children 3 years – 2nd grade are invited to stay in the service or line up for Children's Church.~

PREACHING OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading

Acts 13:26-31

26 "Brothers, sons of the family of Abraham, and those among you who fear God, to us has been sent the message of this salvation.27 For those who live in Jerusalem and their rulers, because they did not recognize him nor understand the utterances of the prophets, which are read every Sabbath, fulfilled them by condemning him. 28 And though they found in him no guilt worthy of death, they asked Pilate to have him executed. 29 And when they had carried out all that was written of him, they took him down from the tree and laid him in a tomb. 30 But God raised him from the dead, 31 and for many days he appeared to those who had come up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are now his witnesses to the people.

The grass withers, the flowers fade,

but the word of our God will stand forever.

Isaiah 40:8

Intercessory Prayer

Sermon

"The Historical Jesus and the Resurrection" Rev. Gavin Lymberopoulos

THE BREAD AND WINE

Prayer of Preparation

Institution of the Lord's Supper

† Hymn of Worship

"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone.
 What is our only confidence? That our souls to him belong.
 Who holds our days within his hand? What comes apart from his command?
 And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.

Chorus: O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal; O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.

- 2. What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good, God is good. Where is his grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's blood. Who holds our faith when fears arise? Who stands above the stormy trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh Unto the shore, the rock of Christ? (Chorus)
- 3. Unto the grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!"
 And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with him.
 There we will rise to meet the Lord, then sin and death will be destroyed,
 And we will feast in endless joy, when Christ is ours forevermore. (Chorus)

† Hymn of Blessing and Sending

"Hope On My Breath"

Chorus: Lord when you died, I died with you
When you rose up, you made me new
You conquered sin, you conquered death
You are the hope that is on my breath
Hallelu, Hallelujah

† Benediction

† Congregation Standing **Bold**– Congregational Response

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