

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”. Reminder: Sunday School will not meet on Sunday, May 25.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Membership Class

May 17, 8:30-11:30am
- Prayer Lunch

May 18, 12:15-1:15pm
- 3rd-8th Grade Outdoor Club

May 18, 3-5pm
- Volunteer Thank You Lunch

May 25
- Summertime One Service Begins

June 1, 10am
- **Musicians Needed** – Contact Dan (dan@gracefortcollins.org) for more info
 - **Membership Class**- We’ll be offering a membership class on May 17, 8:30-11:30am. For more information contact gavin@gracefortcollins.org
 - **High School Youth Trip** – Glendo State Park, June 19-22, contact: graceyouth@gracefortcollins.org
 - **GraceKids VBS** – July 28-August 1
 - **ChurchSuite** – Email admin@gracefortcollins.org to be added to the online directory!

Financial Performance

	February		July-Feb	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Income	\$41,950	\$42,204	\$398,077	\$337,633
Expenses	\$43,791	\$41,718	\$301,975	\$333,741
Net	-\$1,840	\$486	\$96,102	\$3,892

CONTACT INFO//GET INVOLVED

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

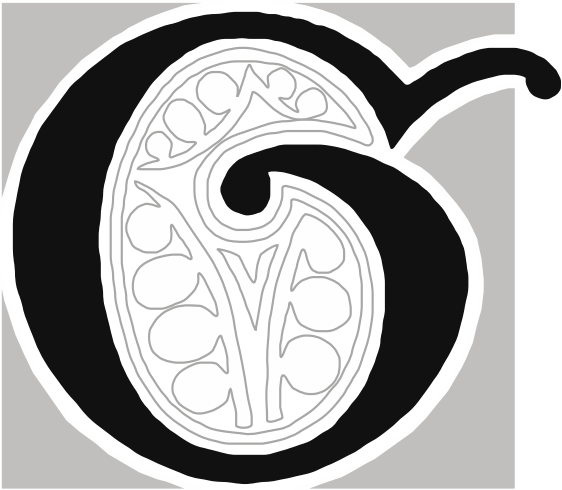
Women’s Morning Study @ the Calton Home// Wednesdays 10-11:30AM//Childcare Provided//Leader: Kelly Calton//Contact Kelly (kpcalton@gmail.com or 864-706-4112)
Women’s Evening Study @ The Worthington // Tuesdays 6:45PM//Leader: Susan Stauffer//Contact Susan (susansstauffer@gmail.com)
Women’s Evening “Mugs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



GRACE CHURCH
presbyterian

Loving God - Loving People - Loving Life

May 11, 2025

WELCOME AND REFLECTION

The Holy Christian Church, whose only head is Christ, was born from the Word of God, and abides in it, and does not listen to the voice of strangers. The Church of Christ does not establish laws and commandments outside the Word of God... Human traditions ...bind us only insofar as they are founded and commanded in the Word of God.

-Ten Thesis of Berne

PRAISE THE LORD

† Call to Worship Matthew 11:28
Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

- † Hymn of Worship “The Lord’s My Shepherd”
1. The Lord’s my shepherd; I’ll not want. He makes me lie in pastures green, He leads me by the still, still waters, his goodness restores my soul.
Chorus: And I will trust in you alone, and I will trust in you alone, For your endless mercy follows me, your goodness will lead me home.
 2. He guides my ways in righteousness and he anoints my head with oil And my cup it overflows with joy; I feast on his pure delights. (*Chorus*)
 3. And though I walk the darkest path, I will not fear the evil one For you are with me, and your rod and staff are the comfort I need to know. (*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.

RENEWAL	
Scripture Reading	Deuteronomy 5:6, 17-18
6 “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery...17 “You shall not murder. 18 “And you shall not commit adultery. 19 “And you shall not steal. This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	
Prayer of Confession	Geneva Liturgy of 1543
Lord God, eternal and almighty Father: We acknowledge before your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil, unable of our own power to do good. O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow, we repent.	

Silent Confession
We would like to offer a full minute for you to enter into this sacred space with God.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON	
† Scripture Reading	1 Corinthians 6:9-11
9 Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, 10 nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.	

† Hymn of Response	“God Be Merciful to Me”
1. God, be merciful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea; Plenteous in compassion thou, blot out my transgressions now; Wash me, make me pure within, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin. 2. My transgressions I confess, grief and guilt my soul oppress; I have sinned against thy grace and provoked thee to thy face; I confess thy judgment just, speechless, I thy mercy trust. 3. Broken, humbled to the dust by thy wrath and judgment just, Let my contrite heart rejoice and in gladness hear thy voice; From my sins O hide thy face, blot them out in boundless grace. 4. Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true; Cast me not away from thee, let thy Spirit dwell in me; Thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.	

† Hymn of Worship	“Thou Lovely Source of True Delight”
1. Thou lovely source of true delight whom I unseen adore Unveil thy beauties to my sight that I might love Thee more, Oh that I might love Thee more. 2. Thy glory o’er creation shines but in Thy sacred Word I read, in fairer, brighter lines my bleeding, dying Lord, See my bleeding, dying Lord 3. ‘Tis here, when e’er my comforts droop and sin and sorrow rise Thy love with cheering beams of hope my fainting heart supplies, Oh, my fainting heart’s supplied 4. Jesus, my Lord, my life, my light, Oh come with blissful ray Break radiant through the shades of night and chase my fears away, Won’t you chase my fears away	

† Responsive Psalm	Psalm 23:1-6
The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.	

†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.
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OFFER YOURSELF TO THE LORD	
Presentation of the Tithes and Offerings	Matthew 11:29
Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <i>~Children 3 years – 2nd grade are invited to stay in the service or line up for Children's Church.~</i>	

Musical Reflection
Prayer

PREACHING OF THE WORD	
Scripture Reading	Acts 15:1-35
But some men came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, “Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved.” 2 And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and the elders about this question. 3 So, being sent on their way by the church, they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, describing in detail the conversion of the Gentiles, and brought great joy to all the brothers. 4 When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they declared all that God had done with them. 5 But some believers who belonged to the party of the Pharisees rose up and said, “It is necessary to circumcise them and to order them to keep the law of Moses.”6 The apostles and the elders were gathered together to consider this matter. 7 And after there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, “Brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe. 8 And God, who knows the heart, bore witness to them, by giving them the Holy Spirit just as he did to us, 9 and he made no distinction between us and them, having cleansed their hearts by faith. 10 Now, therefore, why are you putting God to the test by placing a yoke on the neck of the disciples that neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear?11 But we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will.” 12 And all the assembly fell silent, and they listened to Barnabas and Paul as they related what signs and wonders God had done through them among the Gentiles. 13 After they finished speaking, James replied, “Brothers, listen to me. 14 Simeon has related how God first visited the Gentiles, to take from them a people for his name. 15 And with this the words of the prophets agree, just as it is written,16 “After this I will return, and I will rebuild the tent of David that has fallen; I will rebuild its ruins, and I will restore it, 17 that the remnant of mankind may seek the Lord, and all the Gentiles who are called by my name,	

says the Lord, who makes these things 18 known from of old.’ 19 Therefore my judgment is that we should not trouble those of the Gentiles who turn to God, 20 but should write to them to abstain from the things polluted by idols, and from sexual immorality, and from what has been strangled, and from blood. 21 For from ancient generations Moses has had in every city those who proclaim him, for he is read every Sabbath in the synagogues.” 22 Then it seemed good to the apostles and the elders, with the whole church, to choose men from among them and send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. They sent Judas called Barsabbas, and Silas, leading men among the brothers, 23 with the following letter: “The brothers, both the apostles and the elders, to the brothers who are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia, greetings. 24 Since we have heard that some persons have gone out from us and troubled you with words, unsettling your minds, although we gave them no instructions, 25 it has seemed good to us, having come to one accord, to choose men and send them to you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, 26 men who have risked their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. 27 We have therefore sent Judas and Silas, who themselves will tell you the same things by word of mouth. 28 For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to lay on you no greater burden than these requirements: 29 that you abstain from what has been sacrificed to idols, and from blood, and from what has been strangled, and from sexual immorality. If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well. Farewell.” 30 So when they were sent off, they went down to Antioch, and having gathered the congregation together, they delivered the letter. 31 And when they had read it, they rejoiced because of its encouragement. 32 And Judas and Silas, who were themselves prophets, encouraged and strengthened the brothers with many words. 33 And after they had spent some time, they were sent off in peace by the brothers to those who had sent them. 35 But Paul and Barnabas remained in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.

The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God will stand forever. Isaiah 40:8
Intercessory Prayer
Sermon
“The Silencing Power of Grace” Rev. Gavin Lymberopoulos

THE BREAD AND WINE	
Prayer of Preparation	
Institution of the Lord’s Supper	
† Hymn of Blessing and Sending	“My Faith Has Found a Resting Place”
1. My faith has found a resting place, from guilt my soul is free; I trust the Ever-living One, His wounds for me shall plead. <i>Chorus: I need no other argument, I need no other plea; It is enough that Jesus died, And that He died for me</i> 2. Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt; A sinful soul I come to Him, He’ll never cast me out. <i>(Chorus)</i> 3. My heart is leaning on the Word, the written Word of God, Salvation by my Savior’s name, salvation through His blood. <i>(Chorus)</i> 4. My great Physician heals the sick, the lost He came to save; For me His precious blood He shed, for me His life He gave. <i>(Chorus)</i>	

† Benediction
† <i>Congregation Standing</i> Bold— <i>Congregational Response</i>