

SUNDAY MORNINGS @ GRACE

Adult Ministry

Adult Sunday School: Meets in the lower level at 9am for the summer, childcare is provided. We are studying the topic 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.
Gracebabies (0-3 years old) Nursery: In the lower level and is provided during both services beginning at 8:45AM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Summer Grill Out

July 13, following the service
- 3rd-5th Grade Outdoor Club

July 20, 3-5pm
- Brewminate Men’s Book Study

July 23
- Middle & High School City Park Pool Day

July 25, 4-6pm
- GraceKids VBS

July 28-August 1
- Men’s Fish and Feast pt. 2 @Picnic Rock

August 2
- Long’s Peak Churchwide Hike

August 16
- **Summer Grill Out** – TODAY, following the service, hot dogs and drinks provided, bring a side to share!
 - **GraceKids VBS** – July 28-August 1, 8:30-11:30AM at Traverse Park. Contact Kelly for more info (kpcalton@gmail.com)
 - **ChurchSuite** – Email admin@gracefortcollins.org to be added to the online directory!

Financial Performance

	May		July 2024-May 2025	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Income	\$58,184.00	\$42,204.08	\$562,694.78	\$464,244.88
Expenses	\$44,118.00	\$41,717.62	\$422,609.13	\$458,893.82
Net	\$14,066.00	\$486.46	\$140,085.65	\$5,351.06

CONTACT INFO//GET INVOLVED

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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

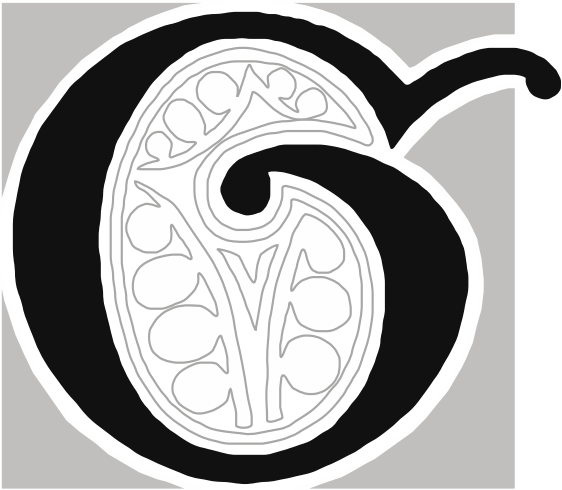
Please Note:

Most Grace Groups take a break during the summer and will resume in the fall.
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 “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
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July 13, 2025

WELCOME AND REFLECTION

No matter what precautions we take, no matter how well we have put together a good life, no matter how hard we have worked to be healthy, wealthy, comfortable with friends and family, and successful with our career — something will inevitably ruin it... You don’t really know Jesus is all you need until Jesus is all you have.
-Tim Keller

PRAISE THE LORD

† Call to Worship

Psalm 134:1-2

Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord,
who stand by night in the house of the Lord!
Lift up your hands to the holy place and bless the Lord!

- † Hymn of Worship
- “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”
1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration.

2. Praise to the Lord, who over all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how all thy longings have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriend thee.

4. Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.
Let the Amen sound from His people again,
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

† 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 6:16-17
“You shall not put the Lord your God to the test, as you tested him at Massah. You shall diligently keep the commandments of the Lord your God, and his testimonies and his statutes, which he has commanded you.	
This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	

Prayer of Confession	
Most Wise God, we confess that our trust in your unfailing kindness has grown weak. We do not love you as you deserve. Forgive us for testing your goodness instead of resting in it. Forgive us for failing to diligently keep your commands. We ask this all in the name of Jesus our Savior and Friend. Amen.	

Silent Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† Scripture Reading	John 3:16
For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.	

† Hymn of Response	“Upon a Life I Have Not Lived”
1.	Upon a life I have not lived, upon a death I did not die, Another’s life; another’s death, I stake my whole eternity.
2.	Not on the tears which I have shed, not on the sorrows I have known, Another’s tears; another’s griefs, on these I rest, on these alone.
	<i>Chorus: O Jesus, Son of God, I build on what Thy cross has done for me; There both my death and life I read, my guilt, and pardon there I see.</i>
3.	Lord, I believe; O deal with me, as one who has Thy Word believed! I take the gift, Lord, look on me, as one who has Thy gift received. <i>(Chorus)</i>

† Hymn of Worship	“Thy Mercy My God Is the Theme of My Song”
1.	Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song, The joy of my heart, and the boast of my tongue; Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last, Hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast.
2.	Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here; Sin would reduce me to utter despair; But, through Thy free goodness, my spirits revive, And He that first made me still keeps me alive.
3.	Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart, Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart; Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground, And weep to the praise of the mercy I’ve found.
4.	Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own, And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son; All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.

† 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 John 2:15
Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.	
~ <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 23
And looking intently at the council, Paul said, “Brothers, I have lived my life before God in all good conscience up to this day.” ² And the high priest Ananias commanded those who stood by him to strike him on the mouth. ³ Then Paul said to him, “God is going to strike you, you whitewashed wall! Are you sitting to judge me according to the law, and yet contrary to the law you order me to be struck?” ⁴ Those who stood by said, “Would you revile God's high priest?” ⁵ And Paul said, “I did not know, brothers, that he was the high priest, for it is written, ‘You shall not speak evil of a ruler of your people.’” ⁶ Now when Paul perceived that one part were Sadducees and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, “Brothers, I am a Pharisee, a son of Pharisees. It is with respect to the hope and the resurrection of the dead that I am on trial.” ⁷ And when he had said this, a dissension arose between the Pharisees and the Sadducees, and the assembly was divided. ⁸ For the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, nor angel, nor spirit, but the Pharisees acknowledge them all. ⁹ Then a great clamor arose, and some of the scribes of the Pharisees' party stood up and contended sharply, “We find nothing wrong in this man. What if a spirit or an angel spoke to him?” ¹⁰ And when the dissension became violent, the tribune, afraid that Paul would be torn to pieces by them, commanded the soldiers to go down and take him away from among them by force and bring him into the barracks. ¹¹ The following night the Lord stood by him and said, “Take courage, for as you have testified to the facts about me in Jerusalem, so you must testify also in Rome.” ¹² When it was day, the Jews made a plot and bound themselves by an oath neither to eat nor drink till they had killed Paul. ¹³ There were more than forty who made this conspiracy. ¹⁴ They went to the chief priests and elders and said, “We have strictly bound ourselves by an oath to taste no food till we have killed Paul. ¹⁵ Now therefore you, along with the council, give notice to the tribune to bring him down to you, as though you were going to determine his case more exactly. And we are ready to kill him before he comes near.” ¹⁶ Now the son of Paul's sister heard of their ambush, so he went and entered the barracks and told Paul. ¹⁷ Paul called one of the centurions and said, “Take this young man to the tribune, for he has something to tell him.” ¹⁸ So he took him and brought him to the tribune and said, “Paul the prisoner called me and asked me to bring this young man to you, as he has something to say to you.” ¹⁹ The tribune took him by the hand, and going aside asked him privately, “What is it that you have to tell me?” ²⁰ And he said, “The Jews have agreed to ask you to bring Paul down to the council tomorrow, as though they were going to inquire somewhat more closely about him. ²¹ But do not be persuaded by them, for more than forty of their men are lying in ambush for him, who have	

bound themselves by an oath neither to eat nor drink till they have killed him. And now they are ready, waiting for your consent.” ²² So the tribune dismissed the young man, charging him, “Tell no one that you have informed me of these things.” ²³ Then he called two of the centurions and said, “Get ready two hundred soldiers, with seventy horsemen and two hundred spearmen to go as far as Caesarea at the third hour of the night. ²⁴ Also provide mounts for Paul to ride and bring him safely to Felix the governor.” ²⁵ And he wrote a letter to this effect:²⁶ “Claudius Lysias, to his Excellency the governor Felix, greetings. ²⁷ This man was seized by the Jews and was about to be killed by them when I came upon them with the soldiers and rescued him, having learned that he was a Roman citizen. ²⁸ And desiring to know the charge for which they were accusing him, I brought him down to their council. ²⁹ I found that he was being accused about questions of their law, but charged with nothing deserving death or imprisonment. ³⁰ And when it was disclosed to me that there would be a plot against the man, I sent him to you at once, ordering his accusers also to state before you what they have against him.” ³¹ So the soldiers, according to their instructions, took Paul and brought him by night to Antipatris. ³² And on the next day they returned to the barracks, letting the horsemen go on with him. ³³ When they had come to Caesarea and delivered the letter to the governor, they presented Paul also before him. ³⁴ On reading the letter, he asked what province he was from. And when he learned that he was from Cilicia, ³⁵ he said, “I will give you a hearing when your accusers arrive.” And he commanded him to be guarded in Herod's praetorium.

The grass withers, the flowers fade,
but the word of our God will stand forever. Isaiah 40:8

Intercessory Prayer	
Sermon	“Take Courage” Rev. Mike Wenzler

THE BREAD AND WINE

Prayer of Preparation

Institution of the Lord’s Supper

† Hymn of Blessing and Sending	“Hope on My Breath”
1.	I am in Jesus, he is in me He has shown mercy, to his enemies He paid for my sins, with his own blood He made us children of God <i>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</i>
2.	When I am dirty, because of my sin I turn to you Jesus, you wash me again You write the truth, all over my heart The truth is who you are <i>(Chorus)</i>

† Benediction
† *Congregation Standing*
Bold– *Congregational Response*