SUNDAY MORNINGS @ GRACE

Adult Ministry

Adult Sunday School: Meets in the lower level at 9:20am, childcare is provided. We are studying the book of Galatians.

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

November 9, 12:30pm Prayer Lunch Women's Movie Night November 14, 7pm Grace Youth Group @ Serve 6.8 November 15, 1-4pm November 21, 6-8pm Grace Youth Group Nerf Night Young Adult Friendsgiving November 22, 4-7pm 3rd-5th Grade Night November 23, 5pm Hanging of the Greens November 29, 9am Christmas Party @ Wolverine Farm December 12, 6-8:30pm Women's Carols & Ornament Exchange December 19, 7pm GraceKids' Christmas Pageant Dress Rehearsal December 20, 10am GraceKids' Christmas Pageant December 21, 12pm

- Grace Youth Group (GYG) Meets at the Grace House (1933 Mackinac St.) every Sunday, 6-8pm.
- **Prayer Lunch** Join us following the service for a time of prayer and a light lunch in the lower level.
- Women's Movie Night Grace women and friends are invited to a movie night at Barbara Scott's home: 725 Cheyenne Drive Fort Collins, November 14, 7pm. We'll be watching the movie "Woman in Gold."
- Christmas Party We could use some help with setup for the kids' Christmas Party at the church and the churchwide party at Wolverine on December 12. If you'd like to help set up and/or clean up for these parties please contact Stephanie (admin@gracefortcollins.org).
- **ChurchSuite** Email admin@gracefortcollins.org to be added to the online directory!

Financial Performance

	September 2025		July 2025 - Sept. 2025
	Actual	Budget	Actual Budget
Income	\$191,352	\$50,000	\$268,105 \$150,000
Expenses	\$39,714	\$49,969	\$118,387 \$149,906
Net	\$151,638	\$31	\$149,717 \$94

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

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

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Windsor Group // Tuesdays 6:00PM// Leaders: Josh & Rebekah Ooms//Contact Josh (joshooms1@gmail.com)

Northeast FoCo Group @ the Weitz Home // Wednesdays 6:30PM// Leader: Caleb Weitz // Contact Caleb (caleb.weitz@gmail.com)

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

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

Southwest FoCo Group @ the Traff Home//Friday 6AM //Leaders: Devin & Kaila Traff// Contact Devin (dctraff@gmail.com)

Women's Studies

Women's Morning Study @ the Calton Home// beginning Sept. 4//Wednesdays 10-11:30AM//Childcare Provided//Leader: Lauren Leong//Contact Kelly (kpcalton@gmail.com or 864-706-4112)

Women's Evening "Mugs and Muffins" @ the Nelson Home//beginning Sept. 4//Thursdays 6:30PM//Leader: Terry Nelson //Contact Terry (Text: 970-217-4643)

Men's Studies

Men's Evening Study @ The Stauffer Home // beginning Sept. 10// Wednesdays 6:30PM//Leader: Darris Stauffer // Contact Darris (darris stauffer@hotmail.com)

Men's Breakfast @ Grace Church// beginning Aug. 21//Thursdays 6:15AM//Leader: Devin Traff// Contact Devin (dctraff@gmail.com)

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Every person is someone else's disciple. We're all following somebody's words... We have all imbibed somebody's vision of wellness, somebody's ideal of health, or somebody's idea of fitness. Reading the Bible theologically, as teaching by God, of God, and leading to God, is our best hope for breaking free.

-Kevin Vanhoozer

† Call to Worship

Psalm 67:5

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

† Hymn of Worship

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

- 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.
- 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?
- 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

Mark 10:42-44

And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession John Knox

Almighty God, we are unworthy to come into your presence, because of our many sins. We do not deserve any grace or mercy from you, if you dealt with us as we deserve. We have sinned against you, O Lord, and we have offended you. And yet, O Lord, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses, so also do we acknowledge you to be a merciful God, a loving and favorable Father, to all who turn to you. And so we humbly ask you, for the sake of Christ your son, to show mercy to us, and forgive us all our offenses.

Silent Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† Scripture Reading

Mark 10:45

For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

† Hymn of Response

"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.

Chorus: I need no other argument, I need no other plea; It is enough that Jesus died, And that He died for me

- 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. (Chorus)
- 3. My heart is leaning on the Word, the written Word of God, Salvation by my Savior's name, salvation through His blood. *(Chorus)*
- 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. *(Chorus)*

† Hymn of Worship

"Thy Mercy My God is the Theme of My Song"

- 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.
- 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.

† Responsive Psalm

Psalm 32:7-11

You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you.

Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord. Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart! †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

Exodus 12:48

If a stranger shall sojourn with you and would keep the Passover to the Lord, let all his males be circumcised. Then he may come near and keep it; he shall be as a native of the land. But no uncircumcised person shall eat of it.

GraceKids' Big Truth: Every story in the Old Testament points to Jesus who is our

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

PREACHING OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading

Nehemiah 9:1-38

Now on the twenty-fourth day of this month the people of Israel were assembled with fasting and in sackcloth, and with earth on their heads. ² And the Israelites separated themselves from all foreigners and stood and confessed their sins and the iniquities of their fathers. ³ And they stood up in their place and read from the Book of the Law of the LORD their God for a quarter of the day; for another quarter of it they made confession and worshiped the LORD their God. 4 ... and they cried with a loud voice to the LORD their God. ⁵Then the Levites... said, "Stand up and bless the LORD your God from everlasting to everlasting. Blessed be your glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise. ⁶ "You are the Lord, you alone. You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them; and you preserve all of them; and the host of heaven worships you. ⁷You are the Lord, the God who chose Abram and brought him out of Ur of the Chaldeans and gave him the name Abraham. 8 You found his heart faithful before you, and made with him the covenant to give to his offspring the land of the Canaanite, the Hittite, the Amorite, the Perizzite, the Jebusite, and the Girgashite. And you have kept your promise, for you are righteous. ⁹ "And you saw the affliction of our fathers in Egypt and heard their cry at the Red Sea, ¹⁰ and performed signs and wonders against Pharaoh and all his servants and all the people of his land, for you knew that they acted arrogantly against our fathers. And you made a name for yourself, as it is to this day. ¹¹ And you divided the sea before them, ¹³ You came down on Mount Sinai and spoke with them from heaven and gave them right rules and true laws, good statutes and commandments, ¹⁶ "But they and our fathers acted presumptuously... ¹⁷ They refused to obey and ...they stiffened their neck and appointed a leader to return to their slavery in Egypt. But you are a God ready to forgive, gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and did not forsake them. ¹⁸ Even when they had made for themselves a golden calf ...¹⁹ you in your great mercies did not forsake them in the wilderness. The pillar of cloud to lead them in the way did not depart from them by day, nor the pillar of fire by night to light for them the way by which they should go. ²⁰ You gave your good Spirit to instruct them... ²² "And you gave them kingdoms and peoples and allotted to them every corner. So they took possession of the land...²³ You multiplied their children as the stars of heaven, and you brought them into the land that you had told their fathers to enter and possess. ²⁶ "Nevertheless, they were disobedient and rebelled against you and cast your law behind their back and killed your prophets... ²⁷ Therefore you gave them into the hand of their enemies.. And in the time of their suffering they cried out to you and you heard them from heaven, and according to your great mercies you gave them saviors who saved them from the hand of their enemies. ²⁸ But after they had rest they did evil again before you, and you abandoned them to the hand of their enemies, so that they had dominion over them. Yet when they turned and cried to you...you delivered them according to your mercies. ²⁹ And you warned them in order to turn them back to your law. Yet they acted presumptuously and did not obey your commandments, but sinned against your rules, which if a person does them, he shall live by them, and they turned a stubborn shoulder and stiffened their neck and would not obey. ³⁰ Many years you bore with them and warned them by your Spirit through your prophets. Yet they would not give ear. Therefore you gave them into the hand of the peoples of the lands.³¹ Nevertheless, in your great mercies you did not make an end of them or forsake them, for you are a gracious and merciful God. 32 "Now, therefore, our God, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love, let not all the hardship seem little to you that has come upon us, upon our kings, our princes, our priests, our prophets, our fathers, and all your people, since the time of the kings of Assyria until this day. ³³ Yet you have been righteous in all that has come upon us, for you have dealt faithfully and we have acted wickedly. 34 Our [leaders] have not kept your law or ... your warnings that you gave them. ³⁵ Even in their own kingdom, and amid your great goodness that you gave them, and in the large and rich land that you set before them, they did not serve you or turn from their wicked works. ³⁶ Behold, we are slaves this day; in the land that you gave to our fathers to enjoy its fruit and its good gifts, behold, we are slaves, ³⁷ And its rich yield goes to the kings whom you have set over us because of our sins. They rule over our bodies and over our livestock as they please, and we are in great distress. ³⁸ "Because of all this we make a firm covenant in writing; on the sealed document are the names of our princes, our Levites, and our priests.

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

Intercessory Prayer Sermon

> "The Steadfast Lord Never Fails" Rev. Gavin Lymberopoulos

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

9am: Baptism of Fulton David Lather, son of Henry and Pamela Lather 10:40am: Baptism of Olivia Casmera Johnson, daughter of Ross and Emily Johnson

Scrinture Reading

And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself."

† Hymn of Blessing and Sending

"How Firm a Foundation"

- How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word! What more can he say than to you he hath said, To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
- Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed;
 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
 I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.
- When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, My grace, all sufficient shall be thy supply; The flame shall not hurt thee, I only design Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.
- 4. The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
 That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake!

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† Benediction

† Congregation Standing **Bold**— Congregational Response

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