

Welcome to Grace Presbyterian Church

We're glad you are worshipping with us today. Please sign the friendship booklet, pass it down and back the pew — note the names and faces of those beside you. The nursery is available for children: infants (6 weeks) through Kindergarten. A private baby feeding nook is available to parents in the infant nursery. All children are welcome in worship.

Announcements...

Pledge Cards - Please prayerfully consider your ability to financially support GPC as we 'Live Generously' • Please turn in your pledge cards as soon as possible for budgeting purposes • Extra pledge cards are available in the narthex • Pre-paid pledges for 2026 will need to be noted specifically for clarification • **ALL pledges will be dedicated in worship next week, so bring them with you!** Thank you for being a cheerful giver!

Hanging of the Greens - if you are interested in helping decorate the church for the Christmas season, we will meet at the church after the morning worship service on Sun, Nov 23

PCHAS Christmas Kids – Christmas Kids (formerly “Angel Tree”) provides gifts for the families in the care of Presbyterian Childrens Homes and including participants in the mentoring program. Please pick up a tag in the narthex beginning Sun, Nov 23 - sign your name and phone number on the sheet next to the corresponding number on the tag, and get to shopping! Please return your gift in a gift bag (no tissue paper) with the tag attached. Gifts are due by Sun, Dec 7. For questions contact Sarah Nickerson (254)624-5610.

Thanksgiving Friends as Family! Let your GPC friends be your family this Thanksgiving! Join us for a potluck meal on Thanksgiving Day, Nov 27, at 11:30AM in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up in the narthex to bring your choice of salads, sides, or desserts.

'Light of Hope, Light of Peace: Celtic Carols for Christmas' will be performed by our choir on Sun, Dec 7, in our morning worship. Our choir will be joined by Emily Gary, piano, flute, drums and violin for this wonderful Lessons and Carols of Celtic Christmas music. Join us as we sing in our anticipation of the birth of our Savior through music of our heritage. Mark your calendars!



PLEASE HELP! Meals on Wheels help needed! In need of cooks to help cook once a month on a Tuesday morning and for regular or substitute drivers. Please prayerfully consider helping in this awesome ministry that serves so many that need a meal. If interested, contact Peg Spangler at 254.231.5205.

November Member of the Month is Clarence Mason! Please shower him with cards by mailing to 151 Beach Trail, Belton, TX 76513. Don't have a card? We have one for you behind the offices under the mailboxes. Fill it out and drop it in the office and we will mail it for you!

Administration - Church offices will be closed Wednesday, November 26 - 27, 2025 in observance of Thanksgiving. Offices will resume regular office hours Monday, December 1.

Did you know you can give by text? Simply text the word GRACE to 254.400.2420 or take a pic of the QR code here and hit the link to give • Thank you for being a cheerful giver!



Leadership at Grace...

Preaching	Elder, Kevin Cushman
Minister of Music	Chelsea Stern
Organist	Dr. Jonathan Gary
Pianist	Emily Gary
Projectionist/Sound Technician	Murray McCarley
Liturgist	Tom Pechal
Elder of the Day	Sarah Nickerson

GPC ELDERS

CLASS OF 2025	CLASS OF 2026	CLASS OF 2027
Margaret Buchanan Mike Milbery Josh Essary Bill Stanley	Sarah Nickerson A'Lisa Ozment Tom Stringfellow Richard Tolleson	John Burns Margie McLoud Patti Smith Bill Stokes

BOARD OF DEACONS

CLASS OF 2025	CLASS OF 2026	CLASS OF 2027
Dan Gatlin Lynn Grant Bob Ritchie Marilyn Ritchie	Andrine Kagu Kenny Lange Becky Northen Norman Northen	Lee Ann Bettis Joey Tabarlet Martha Tabarlet Debbie Trahan

Visiting? We want to hear from you! Please fill out a visitor card and place in the offering plate OR scan the QR Code and fill out the form online • Thank you for visiting GPC Temple!



Wifi password is guestgpc

Watch our worship service LIVE on Grace Presbyterian's Facebook page (@gpctemple). Need help in finding us? Contact us at 254.773.2134 or see Josh Essary. Share with your friends that cannot make it so that they can worship with us!

Pastoral Care - If you have any pastoral care needs, you can contact our church office or Elder of the Week, Sarah Nickerson at 254.624.5610 or by email at snickersonmd@hotmail.com

Prayer Ministry...

If you have a prayer need, please email Donna Bowling directly at dc.bowling2003@gmail.com. Please do NOT reply to the emails from the Prayer Tree—those are thru Constant Contact software system and no responses will be forwarded.



Lectionary for next Sunday...

Jeremiah 23:1-6 • Luke 1:68-79
Colossians 1:11-20 • Luke 23:33-43

Worship for the Lord's Day

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
NOVEMBER 16, 2025 • 11 AM

We Gather in the Lord's Name

Prelude	He Leadeth Me	ARR. J.B. TAYLOR
Welcome		
Moment for Stewardship	Property & Finance Committees	

*Call to Worship
One: God has gathered us to this place,
All: Where we hear those stories which show us what the kingdom of God is like.
One: God calls us to this place,
All: where we can learn how to serve our God without reservation, or hesitation.
One: In Christ, God has made all things new;
All: May the blessings of grace transform our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
One: Come, let us worship God together.

*Hymn #712 As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought FOREST GREEN

*Prayer of Confession (unison)
Look upon us, loving Savior, guide our thoughts and our feelings. Transform those things that have inhibited our love and diverted our energies. Loving God, when we are acting self-righteous, guide us in the way of humility. When we twist words for our advantage, guide us in the way of righteousness. When we become hardened to the needs of our world, open our hearts so your compassion may flow through us. May your Spirit flow through our whole being, that we may be made new through the saving grace of Christ Jesus; hear this prayer, and hear us now as we offer our confession in the silent...

*Silent Confession and Assurance of Pardon

*The Passing of the Peace
One: Having received Christ's forgiveness, let us with love share that peace with one another. The Peace of Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: Let us greet one another with the Peace of Christ.

*Gloria Patri #581

Glory be to the Father
And to the Son and the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen.

We Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination
One: Holy God, we walk by faith and not by sight. So guide our steps in your Word today that, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we are kept from falling and find our way in your way. Through Christ, we pray.
All: Amen.

Psalm For the Day Psalm 98 (NRSV) PEW BIBLE, P. 480
This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God.

Children’s Choir Anthem We Are Growing in the Spirit BY CAROL HUFFMAN DICKERSON

Message for Children Beth Gerdes

The Gospel Lesson Luke 6:27-36(NRSV) PEW BIBLE, P. 940
This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God.

Sermon What Do You Value? Kevin Cushman

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn #710 We Lift Our Voices OFFERING

*The Affirmation of Faith (The Mission Statement written/adopted by Session 2019)
We are Grace Presbyterian Church, called by our baptism to minister in the name of Jesus Christ;To provide for meaningful worship that reflects the love of God and the genuine character of our faith in Jesus Christ;To be an open and inclusive community of faith, welcoming all regardless of race,orientation or economic status;To provide for the nurture of all God’s people of every age. To be God’s heart, hands and voice as we engage as servants of Jesus Christ by reaching out to the community beyond our walls to meet human need. To discern God’s vision as we grow in faith together as the Body of Christ. Amen.

Prayers of the People—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.

Call to Offering
One: Freely you have received, freely give. Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth. Amen.

Offertory Andante JOHANN CHRISTIAN HENRICH RINCK

*The Doxology # 606
Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication
We give you all thanks and praise, O God, for you have nourished us with mercy and kindness. For you, Oh God have created all things and have called us to be your servant people. Therefore, with our hearts lifted high, we offer you thanks and praise at all times; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Go Into the World to Serve

*Hymn #700 I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me I’M GONNA LIVE

*Benediction

*Benediction Sung Response REV THOMAS ALLEN

By the grace of God in Christ Jesus, The Spirit is upon us,
To magnify the name of the Lord, to make him disciples,
To meet the needs of the least of these,
So go in peace, go in joy, go in the Spirit of the Lord.

*Postlude Allegro JOHANN CHRISTIAN KITTEL

Words in bold type are to be read together.
*Indicates worshipers are invited to rise in body and spirit.

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Visitor Card

We are glad you are here! Please fill this out and place in the offering plate.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone _____
Cell Phone _____
Text? (Yes/No) _____
Email _____
Birthdate _____

Spouse _____
Cell Phone _____
Text? (Yes/No) _____
Email _____
Birthdate _____

Children/Date of Birth _____

Today’s Date: _____
Service I attended
☐ 11 AM
Age Range
☐ Student (grade ____)
☐ Adult
I would like more information about
☐ Becoming a Christian
☐ Joining this Church
☐ Serving

Comments/Prayer request _____

Fill out this same form online
by scanning below...

