

## Morning Worship

The Prelude

The Greeting and Announcements

The Silent Meditation and Prayer

The Call to Worship

\* The Hymn of Praise No. 214 – *Angels We Have Heard on High*

\* The Invocation

The Psalm of Confession No. 554 – *From Depths of Woe I Raise to Thee (Psalm 130, new tune)*

\* The Assurance of Pardon – II Timothy 1:9-10

“God has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was granted us in Christ Jesus from all eternity, but now has been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel”

\* The Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 647 – *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds*

\* The Confession of Faith – The Nicene Creed (846)

The Reading of Holy Scripture – **Acts 21:1-36**

The Giving of our Tithes and Offering

The Hymn No. 218 – *Angels, From the Realm of Glory*

The Pastoral Prayer

\* The Reading of Holy Scripture – **Matthew 20:28**

*Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came up to him with her sons, and kneeling before him she asked him for something.* <sup>21</sup> *And he said to her, "What do you want?" She said to him, "Say that these two sons of mine are to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom."* <sup>22</sup> *Jesus answered, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am to drink?" They said to him, "We are able."*

<sup>23</sup> *He said to them, "You will drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father."* <sup>24</sup> *And when the ten heard it, they were indignant at the two brothers.* <sup>25</sup> *But Jesus called them to him and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them.* <sup>26</sup> *It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant,* <sup>27</sup> *and whoever would be first among you must be your slave,* <sup>28</sup> *even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." (English Standard Version)*

The Sermon – **“Grace for the World: The Son of Man Serves Me?!”**

\* The Hymn of Commitment No. 224 – *Go, Tell It On the Mountain*

\* The Congregational Response – *The Doxology* (No. 731)

\* The Benediction

\* The Postlude

\*Congregation Standing, If Able

The purpose of Grace Presbyterian Church is to glorify God by equipping individuals and families with the word of God so that by God's grace they will grow in their service and worship of God, cultivate a genuinely loving fellowship, and influence the world for Jesus Christ.

## Evening Worship

The Prelude

The Call to Worship

\* The Hymn No. 195 – *Joy to the World*

\* The Invocation

The Scripture Reading – **Genesis 3:1-15**

The Scripture Reading – **Isaiah 7:10-16**

\* The Hymn No. 196 – *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

The Scripture Reading – **Isaiah 9:2-7**

The Scripture Reading – **Micah 5:2-5**

\* The Hymn No. 203 – *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*

The Scripture Reading – **Luke 1:26-56**

The Scripture Reading – **Luke 2:1-20**

The Anthem – *Silent Night! Holy Night!*

The Scripture Reading – **Matthew 2:1-12**

\* The Hymn No. 226 – *As With Gladness Men of Old*

The Solo – *O Holy Night*

The Scripture Reading – **Hebrews 2:14-18**

\* The Hymn No. 207 – *Good Christian Men, Rejoice*

\* The Benediction

**A Guide to the Morning Service**

The Lord's Day – “The New Testament gives great importance to the fact that the resurrection took place on the first day of the week. All the Gospels are very clear and very explicit about this. The first day of the week was the day of the resurrection, the day when Jesus came to His disciples and broke bread with them. Jesus took the initiative of making this the day of Christian worship, the day of remembrance, the day on which, with the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup, the church celebrated the memorial of Christ's passage from death to life. On this day the risen Jesus again and again came to his disciples as they broke bread. The story of Jesus coming to two of his disciples on the road to Emmaus, on the first day of the week, first explaining to them the Scriptures and then breaking bread with them, is the prototype of the Christian Lord's Day service. The earliest Christians worshipped on the first day of the week because this was the day the risen Jesus came to them. This was the first day of a new age, the eighth day of the old age. This was the new Sabbath, brought in by the Messiah, the new Sabbath of release from the bondage of Satan, which Jesus fulfilled by appearing to his disciples and eating with them” (Hughes Oliphant Old). Jesus has been born a man to free us for service to God!

The Sermon Series – We are currently in a series entitled, “Grace for the World,” considering the truth that we as Christians exist for other people. We are here for the lost, to be a blessing to them by bringing them the knowledge of Jesus Christ and serving them. We are here for our brothers and sisters in Christ, to build them up, encourage them, rebuke them, etc. This morning we think about the fact that Jesus came not to be served, but to serve – and all that such a truth implies for the way we live among one another.

The Nicene Creed – In 318, a man named Arius wrote a letter to Alexander, the bishop of Alexandria. In that letter, he stated that he believed that Jesus Christ was the highest creature, and not equal with God or one with God. “There was a time when He was not,” chanted the children in the street. This letter led eventually to the calling of the Council of Nicaea in 325 A.D., and this creed. At this council, Athanasius arose as a champion of the Biblical faith, declaring that Jesus Christ is one with the Father, “begotten, not made,” being of one substance with the Father. The Word is not a creature, but is God Himself, the second person of the Godhead, incarnate for our salvation. He is equal with the Father in power and glory. As we confess the faith once for all delivered to the saints (Jude 3), let's remember that Christians like Athanasius have suffered for it, and let's hold tenaciously to the truth.

**Welcome to Grace Presbyterian Church**

If you are visiting with us, we pray the ministry of the Word and the fellowship of God's people will encourage you. We would love to be able to follow up with you, so please fill out the information below and place it in the offering plate. We do have a nursery available for children four and under, but we love having every member of the covenant community gather with us to worship our Savior and King – feel free to keep your children with you. We celebrate the Lord's Supper the first Sunday morning of each month. The Inquirers' Class (a prerequisite for membership for non-PCA members) is offered regularly as a way to learn more about what we believe. If you have any questions about our church, the elders would be happy to talk with you after the service.

Please silence all cell phones upon entering the sanctuary.

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Prayer Requests:

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The nursery workers today are: C. Stewart (SS); Cunningham Family (MW); Vick (EW). The nursery workers next Sunday are: G. McCall (SS); Richards' Family (MW); Stevens (EW).
- If you would like your tithes and offerings to be credited toward the 2009 fiscal year, your gift must be received or postmarked no later than December 31, 2009.
- This Evening Worship: Lessons and Carols
- Church wide Christmas Caroling to our Neighbors - **Monday, December 21st** at 6:00 p.m.
- In January we will begin meeting in homes throughout the area. These Community Groups will take on many different forms and will meet on different nights. Some will involve children participating and some will not. Some will do book studies, some will have encouraging fellowship and some will look for ways to serve our church and community. As we begin this new venture, the groups will form organically with the following people taking the lead: Dennis Parker, Andy Berg and Robert Row. If you desire to be a part of these Community Groups, please contact one of these men. If you desire to lead a study in your home then let us know – the more options available the better.

**GPC CALENDAR**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Sunday School</b> – 9:15 a.m. <b>Morning Worship</b> – 10:30 a.m. <b>Evening Worship</b> – 6:00 p.m.
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Calvin's Institutes Reading Group</b> – 12:00-1:00 p.m. at the Church Office. Bring a brownbag lunch. <b>Church wide Caroling</b> – 6:00 p.m. <b>Happy Birthday Michael Savage!</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Happy Birthday Robert Row!</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Cookeville Rescue Mission Meal</b> – 4:30 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>No Events Scheduled</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS DAY – Offices Closed</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>No Events Scheduled</b>

**THE SESSION**

Pastor-Teacher: Caleb Cangelosi (calebcangelosi@gmail.com)  
Ruling Elders: Brad Bleasdale, Dennis Parker (Clerk of Session), Darryl Richards, Robert Row (Director of Family Ministries, robert.row.grace@gmail.com)

**THE DIACONATE**

Todd Burks, Chuck Craig, David Cunningham, Jamey Farris, Jason Morse (Treasurer), Michael Savage, Wes Stevens, John Rust (Chairman)

**MISSIONARIES AND MINISTRIES WE SUPPORT**

Pete Mitchell (France), Perry Heusmann (Italy), El Roi Children's Home in Ethiopia, Third Millennium Ministries, Nashville Presbytery, Reformed University Fellowship at TTU, Reformed Youth Movement, Red Lake Indian Reservation, Helping Hands of Putnam County, Cookeville Pregnancy Clinic, Cookeville Rescue Mission, Cooking on the Square

**THE LORD'S DAY**  
**December 20, 2009**

**As You Enter Silently, Use These Words to Prepare Your Heart for Worship:**

“As we embark upon discipleship we surrender ourselves to Christ in union with his death – we give over our lives to death. Thus it begins; the cross is not the terrible end to an otherwise god-fearing and happy life, but it meets us at the beginning of our communion with Christ. *When Christ calls a man, he bids him come and die.*”

-- Dietrich Bonhoeffer

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