

CONNECT CARD

We're glad you are here. It is our joy to welcome and love those who need grace just like we do. Please scan the QR code to fill out our Connect Card. This helps us keep you in the loop and serve you better.



COMING UP

8/20 Walking Together - Men
8/23 Membership Class
9/1 Church Picnic
9/7 Members Meeting

Find more details on the CGC app!

SERVING

We aim to be a church where we all share the load. There are a variety of ways to use your gifts to love the church. The best way to get started is to scan the code to the right and fill out the form!



GIVING

We give so that we can offer the hope and rest found in Jesus to those around us. Thank you for joining with us and investing in this important work! You can scan the code to give online anytime or drop a donation in the box on our Welcome Table.



Monthly Budget Goal: \$18,500

August Giving MTD: \$5,055.71

APP

Access and share our teaching content, find groups to connect with, keep tabs on what is going on, give, chat with your church family, and more. Just search "Covenant Grace Columbia" in your app store or scan the QR code to get started.



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Liturgy

Call to Worship

God gathers his people to care for them and receive their worship.

Psalms 138

- ¹ I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise;
- ² I bow down toward your holy temple
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your
faithfulness,
for you have exalted above all things
your name and your word.
- ³ On the day I called, you answered me;
my strength of soul you increased.
- ⁴ All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O LORD,
for they have heard the words of your mouth,
⁵ and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD,
for great is the glory of the LORD.
- ⁶ For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly,
but the haughty he knows from afar.
- ⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve my life;
you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my
enemies,
and your right hand delivers me.
- ⁸ The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands.

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song; This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My Comforter, my all in all; here in the love of Christ I stand.	There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain. Then bursting forth in glorious day— up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me. For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.
In Christ alone who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe. This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save: Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied. For every sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.	No guilt in life, no fear in death: this is the power of Christ in me. From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. no power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand. Till He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

The Lord's Supper

God gives his people the sign of their New Covenant union with Christ.

Doxology

God's people praise Him in light of all they have received.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen

Benediction

God sends His people out with His blessing.

Numbers 6:24–26

- ²⁴ The LORD bless you and keep you;
²⁵ the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be
gracious to you;
²⁶ the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and
give you peace.

Prayer

After the Pastor leads us in prayer for our church and community, pray together as Jesus taught us

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.

Sermon - Matthew 27:11-26

God proclaims His word to His people.

The Apostle's Creed

God's people confess the faith once for all delivered to the saints.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ,
His only begotten Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there he shall come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
AMEN.

"catholic" means universal; that is, there is one church across all times, places, and peoples

My One Comfort

My one comfort both in life and
death
Is that I am not my own
I was bought with blood and I
confess
I belong to you alone

By the Father's good decree
Jesus, you've delivered me
By your Spirit set me free
To follow you

Jesus, you have taken hold of me
And in your grip of grace I'm finally
free

The Law of God

God requires righteousness of all people.

Romans 12:9–21 - Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰ Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. ¹⁷ Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰ To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Confession of Sin

God's people acknowledge their sin before Him.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.
For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.
Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice.
Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

God shows his people mercy and grace in Jesus Christ

1 Timothy 1:15-17
The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Lord Have Mercy (For What We Have Done)

For what we have done and left undone We fall on Your countless mercies For sins that are known and those unknown We call on Your name so holy For envy and pride for closing our eyes For scorning our very neighbor In thought word and deed we've failed You our King How deeply we need a Savior	For what You have done Your life of love You perfectly lived we praise You Though tempted and tried You fixed Your eyes You finished the work God gave You And there on the tree A King among thieves You bled for a world's betrayal You loved to the end Our merciful friend How pure and forever faithful
<i>Lord have mercy Christ have mercy</i> <i>Lord have mercy on us</i> <i>Lord have mercy Christ have mercy</i> <i>Lord have mercy on us</i>	For hearts that are cold for seizing control For scorning our very Maker In thought word and deed we've failed You our King How deeply we need a Savior

Come Thou Fount

Come, Thou fount of every blessing Tune my heart to sing Thy grace Streams of mercy, never ceasing Call for songs of loudest praise Teach me some melodious sonnet Sung by flaming tongues above Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it Mount of Thy redeeming love	Jesus sought me when a stranger Wandering from the fold of God He, to rescue me from danger Interposed His precious blood
Here I raise mine Ebenezer Hither by Thy help I'm come And I hope, by Thy good pleasure Safely to arrive at home	Oh, to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be Let thy goodness, like a fetter Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it Prone to leave the God I love Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it Seal it for Thy courts above