

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

10/5-10 Grace Groups Meet
10/10 Women's Line Dancing at the Mulhouse
10/19 Picnic and Picture

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 September Giving MTD: \$14,991.53

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 "Church Center" in your app store, then find Covenant Grace Columbia in Church Center, 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 142

¹ With my voice I cry out to the LORD;
with my voice I plead for mercy to the LORD.

² I pour out my complaint before him;
I tell my trouble before him.

³ When my spirit faints within me,
you know my way!

In the path where I walk
they have hidden a trap for me.

⁴ Look to the right and see:
there is none who takes notice of me;
no refuge remains to me;
no one cares for my soul.

⁵ I cry to you, O LORD;
I say, "You are my refuge,
my portion in the land of the living."

⁶ Attend to my cry,
for I am brought very low!
Deliver me from my persecutors,
for they are too strong for me!

⁷ Bring me out of prison,
that I may give thanks to your name!
The righteous will surround me,
for you will deal bountifully with me.

We Will Feast In The House Of Zion

<i>We will feast in the house of Zion;</i>	In the dark of night before the dawn,
<i>We will sing with our hearts restored.</i>	My soul, be not afraid;
<i>"He has done great things,"</i>	For the promised morning,
<i>we will say together;</i>	oh how long?
<i>We will feast and weep no more.</i>	Oh God of Jacob, be my strength.

We will not be burned by the fire;	Every vow we've
He is the Lord, our God.	broken and betrayed;
We are not consumed by the flood;	You are the faithful one.
Upheld, protected, gathered up.	And from the garden to the grave,
	Bind us together, bring shalom.

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.

From Deuteronomy 6 and Numbers 6:
These words that I command you today shall be on your heart.
You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.
The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

The Apostles 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

God Is For Us

We won't fear the battle,
we won't fear the night;
We will walk the Valley
with You by our side.
You will go before us,
You will lead the way;
We have found a refuge,
only You can save.

Even when I stumble,
even when I fall;
Even when I turn back, still
Your love is sure.
You will not abandon,
You will not forsake;
You will cheer me onward with never
ending grace.

*Sing with joy now; our God is for us.
The Father's love is a strong and
mighty fortress.
Raise your voice,
now no love is greater;
Who can stand against us
if our God is for us?*

Neither height nor depth
can separate us,
hell and death will not defeat us;
He who gave His Son to free us
holds me in His love.

The Law of God

God requires righteousness of all people.

Matthew 22:37–40 - And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

This is the great and first commandment.

And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.
On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

Confession of Sin

God's people acknowledge their sin before Him.

Merciful Father, if our salvation is something we must maintain, it is as good as lost. Our best days fall so short of your holiness. When we look to ourselves, we see weakness, foolishness, and failure. Our love is cold and self-serving; our obedience is half-hearted and prideful; our faith wavers and is mixed with doubts. So we turn from ourselves to plead Christ. When you look at us, see only Him. See his perfect righteousness that clothes us and his death that secures our pardon. Preserve us in him by your Spirit and bring us safely home. 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.

Now Why This Fear

Now why this fear and unbelief? Has not the Father put to grief His spotless Son for us? And will the righteous Judge of men condemn me for that debt of sin now canceled at the cross?	How sweet the sound of saving grace, How sweet the sound of saving grace, Christ died for me.
Jesus, all my trust is in Your blood; Jesus, You've rescued us through Your great love	Be still, my soul, and know this peace; the merits of your great high priest have bought your liberty. Rely then on His precious blood, don't fear your banishment from God since Jesus sets you free.
Complete atonement You have made, and by Your death have fully paid the debt Your people owed. No wrath remains for us to face, we're sheltered by Your saving grace and sprinkled with Your blood.	

Christ Is All

I've found a treasure that can't be taken, Found a well that won't run dry. Oh worldly pleasure be now forsaken; Behold what love, what life is mine.	And in the trial, when storms are raging; Though tears may fall, my soul will rise. For there's a peace that is mine unchanging; There is a joy that never dies.
Could endless striving now make me righteous? Could all my works now grant me hope? Oh hallelujah, the blood of Jesus My only plea, my only boast!	When life is passing and strength is fading, I'll see the One that I adore; Let this world vanish, oh give me Jesus— My great desire, my true reward.
<i>Christ is all, Christ is all; And my song will ever be. Christ is all, all in all; And my song will ever be Christ is all.</i>	

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 - The Church: Beginnings (Acts 2)
God proclaims His word to His people.