

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. We will send you more information about all of our classes, groups, and activities.



2023 Ministry Calendar

Explore our year-at-a glance calendar to find information and dates for fellowship events, men's and women's Grace Academy, Church Luncheons, Retreats and Grace Groups.

App

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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 the communion table.



Giving Goal: \$22,500

Monthly Budget: \$18,000

July Giving: \$13,055.46

August Giving MTD: \$7,741.25

Media Ministry Fundraiser Goal: \$52.77/\$4,000

Church Planting & Network

Continue to pray for our current church plant and network
Covenant Grace Columbia in Columbia, TN
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Where Everyone is in Equal Need of Grace

August 13th

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Today's Ministry of Music:

- Boomer Bryant
- Charis Moffitt
- Jane Moffitt
- Titus Moffitt

Announcements:

- August 15 - Baptism Class
- August 19 - Membership Class
- August 24 - Youth Grace Group
- August 25-27 - 4th Week Fellowship
- August 27 - Quarterly Business Meeting
- September 29 - Parenting Seminar
- October 3-5 - GRN Charter Meeting
- November 10-11 - Men's Retreat

Volunteer positions needed:

- Children's Ministry

Call to Worship

Prelude: Doxology

Hear the Word of the Lord

Scripture Reading: Eric Lokker- Elder

Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Prayer of Blessing: Eric Lokker- Elder

A Mighty Fortress

A mighty fortress is our God
A bulwark never failing
Our helper He amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe
His craft and pow'r are great
And armed with cruel hate
On earth is not his equal

Psalm 46:1-3

¹ *God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.*

² *Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, ³ though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. Selah*

Did we in our own strength confide
Our striving would be losing
Were not the right Man on our side
The Man of God's own choosing
Dost ask who that may be
Christ Jesus it is He
Lord Sabaoth His name
From age to age the same
And He must win the battle
God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever

And tho' this world with devils filled
Should threaten to undo us
We will not fear for God hath willed
His truth to triumph thru us
The prince of darkness grim
We tremble not for him
His rage we can endure
For lo his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

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Lord's Supper Visitor Participation Guide

We welcome you to Grace Reformed Church. We trust that you will be blessed by the preaching of the Gospel and the worship of God.

We are celebrating the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. If you desire to partake of this sacrament, we ask that you honor our practice for visitor participation. If you are able to affirm the following three statements, please feel free to partake.

1. ***I have publicly professed my faith in Christ alone for salvation*** in agreement with the articles of the Christian faith as outlined in the Nicene Creed.
2. ***I have been baptized in a local church*** into the Name of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit.
3. ***I am not presently under church discipline***; wherein governing elders have removed you from the receiving of the table and the fellowship of the saints because of unrepentant sin.

If you believe in Jesus, but are not connected to His church in the above ways; or if you are not sure whether you have been saved by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ alone; then please refrain from partaking of the elements. If you have questions about our communion practice or about your relationship to Christ's church, please speak with the elders after worship.

Our Weekly Edification

London Baptist Confession 6.1

1. The Fall

God created humans upright and perfect, and he gave them a righteous law that would have resulted in life if they had kept it, but threatened death if they broke it. ¹ However, they did not remain in this honored position for long. Satan used the subtlety of the serpent to trick Eve, who then seduced Adam. Without any compulsion, Adam willfully disobeyed the law written in his heart (of their creation) and God's command by eating the forbidden fruit. ² God was pleased, according to his wise and holy counsel, to permit this because he had planned to use Adam's sin for his own glory.

1. Genesis 2:16-17

2. Genesis 3:12-13; 2 Corinthians 11:3

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail
Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail
He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold
He must hold me fast

*He will hold me fast
He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so
He will hold me fast*

Jude 1:24-25

²⁴ Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, ²⁵ to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made human. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to life in the world to come. Amen.

Those He saves are His delight
Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight
He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost
His Promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost
He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died
Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied
He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life
He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight
When He comes at last

A Mighty Fortress

That word above all earthly pow'rs
No thanks to them abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Thru Him who with us sideth

Let goods and kindred go
This mortal life also
The body they may kill
God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever

Receiving Grace and Mercy

Prayer of Confession

Jesus, forgive my sins. Forgive the sins that I remember, and the sins I have forgotten. Forgive my many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when I have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements and those when I have failed to boast in your works. Forgive the harsh judgments I have made of others, and the leniency I have shown myself. Forgive the lies I have told to others, and the truths I have avoided. Forgive me the pain I have caused others and the indulgence I have shown myself. Jesus, have mercy on me and make me whole. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

¹⁴ "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand." John 10:14-15, 28-29

Christ The Sure And Steady Anchor

Christ the sure and steady anchor
In the fury of the storm
When the winds of doubt blow
through me
And my sails have all been torn
In the suffering in the sorrow
When my sinking hopes are few
I will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor
While the tempest rages on
When temptation claims the battle
And it seems the night has won

Deeper still then goes the anchor
Though I justly stand accused
I will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

Hebrews 6:19–20

¹⁹ We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, ²⁰ where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

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Christ The Sure And Steady Anchor

Christ the sure and steady anchor
Through the floods of unbelief
Hopeless somehow O my soul now
Lift your eyes to Calvary
This my ballast of assurance
See His love forever proved
All my hope is in the anchor
It shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor
As we face the wave of death
When these trials give way to glory
As we draw our final breath

Prayer of Praise: Dick Holmes

(Please remain standing)

Rest

Someday we'll lay our swords down
And no longer fight
Someday we'll rest from battles
Pray and slumber through the night
Someday You'll wipe away each
tear
And banish death and pain
With angels 'round Your throne
We'll sing all hail to Jesus' name

*Until then we find our rest in You
(Our strength and vision)
Until then we find our rest in You
in You
(Christ in us arisen)*

We will cross that great horizon
Clouds behind and life secured
And the calm will be the better
For the storms that we endured

Christ the shore of our salvation
Ever faithful ever true
We will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

Matthew 11:28–30
*²⁸ Come to me, all who labor and
are heavy laden, and I will give you
rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you,
and learn from me, for I am gentle
and lowly in heart, and you will find
rest for your souls.³⁰ For my yoke
is easy, and my burden is light*

Someday we'll lay our crowns down
At Your love scarred feet
Someday You'll rise and crown our lives
With never ending peace
Someday You'll wipe away each tear
And banish death and pain
With angels 'round Your throne
We'll sing all hail to Jesus' name

Prayer for Giving: Eric Lokker- Elder

Means of Grace

Preaching of the Word: Jon Moffitt

Receiving of the Lord's Table: Eric Lokker- Elder

Lord's Table Preparation

*1Cor. 15:1-4 Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I
preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by
which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to
you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first
importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in
accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was
raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures,*

As we hold this piece of bread, we are reminded that Christ is our
source of life and hope by grace alone through faith alone.

As we hold this cup, we are reminded that Christ's blood is sufficient
to cover all of our past, present, and future sins.

Praise be to our God and Father who keeps his promises and
graciously draws his children near to love, feed, and care for their
every need. Amen.