

### 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.



*Where Everyone is in Equal Need of Grace*

**May 12<sup>th</sup>**



### 2024 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.

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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.



**Giving Goal: \$25,000**  
Monthly Budget: \$19,000  
April Giving: \$55,854.24  
May Giving: \$8,002.36  
Building Fund: \$10,001.71

### Today's Ministry of Music:

- Caleb Condon
- Charis Moffitt

### Announcements:

May 18 - Women's Grace Academy  
May 19 - Quarterly Members Meeting  
May 26 - All Church Picnic  
June 2 - Youth Pancake Breakfast- Camp Fundraiser  
June 24-28 - Youth Summer Camp - Registration Closes May 24  
July 30-Aug 1 - GRN General Assembly

### Volunteer positions needed:

- Children's Ministry
- Set Up Team

*Find more details online or on the GRC app!*

### Church Planting & Network

Continue to pray for our current church plant and network  
Covenant Grace Columbia in Columbia, TN  
[covgracechurch.org](http://covgracechurch.org)  
Grace Reformed Network - [gracereformednetwork.org](http://gracereformednetwork.org)

### Prayer for Missions Ben May - Elder

International Reformed Baptist Seminary - [irbsseminary.org](http://irbsseminary.org)

## Call to Worship

### Hear the Word of the Lord

#### Call to Worship: Ben May- Elder

Psalms 100:1-5 - Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! 2 Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! 3 Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. 4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! 5 For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

#### Prayer of Blessing: Ben May- Elder

#### Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

John 1:1-5 - In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. 4 In him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry  
In the dawning of the King  
He the theme of heaven's praises  
Robed in frail humanity  
In our longing in our darkness  
Now the light of life has come  
Look to Christ who condescended  
Took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry  
He the perfect Son of Man  
In His living in His suffering  
Never trace nor stain of sin  
See the true and better Adam  
Come to save the hell-bound man  
Christ the great and sure fulfillment  
Of the law in Him we stand

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry  
Christ the Lord upon the tree  
In the stead of ruined sinners  
Hangs the Lamb in victory  
See the price of our redemption  
See the Father's plan unfold  
Bringing many sons to glory  
Grace unmeasured love untold

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry  
Slain by death the God of life  
But no grave could e'er restrain Him  
Praise the Lord He is alive  
What a foretaste of deliverance  
How unwavering our hope  
Christ in power resurrected  
As we will be when He comes

## 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 11.1

##### 1. Justification Is Forgiveness and Imputation of Righteousness

Everyone whom God effectually calls he also freely justifies. 1 God does not justify people by infusing them with righteousness, but rather by forgiving them and by counting and accepting them as righteous. 2 Justification is not based upon anything done within or by them, but is based upon Christ alone. 3 It does not impute faith, the act of believing, or any other gospel obedience to them as their righteousness. Rather, it imputes Christ's active obedience to the entire law and his passive obedience in his death for their entire and only righteousness by faith. 4 undefined 5

1. Romans 3:24, 8:30
2. Romans 4:5-8, Ephesians 1:7
3. 1 Corinthians 1:30-31, Romans 5:17-19
4. Philippians 3:8-9; Ephesians 2:8-10
5. John 1:12, Romans 5:17

## Lord's Table Preparation

### Receiving of the Lord's Table - Ben May- Elder

*1 Corinthians. 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.

**Benediction** -Romans 8:38-39 - For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## Receiving Grace and Mercy

### Reading of the Law

Exodus 20:12–17 - “Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. <sup>13</sup> “You shall not murder. <sup>14</sup> “You shall not commit adultery. <sup>15</sup> “You shall not steal. <sup>16</sup> “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. <sup>17</sup> “You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”

### Time of Personal Reflection

### Prayer of Confession

**Father in heaven, we need to be forgiven. We have tried to heal ourselves. Instead of trusting in the death of Jesus Christ, we have tried to work off our guilt. We have tried so hard to pile up good deeds that outweigh our sins. When this doesn't work, we quickly turn to denial and distraction. Instead of trusting in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we have tried to change through our own efforts. We have tried to change our hearts through sheer willpower. This has left some of us arrogant. This has left most of us anxious and depressed. Forgive us for trying to heal ourselves. Forgive us for neglecting your grace. Forgive us and heal us, for Jesus' sake.**

### Assurance of Pardon

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, 1 Peter 1:3-4

## All I Have Is Christ

Philippians 3:7-9a - But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup> Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him,

I once was lost in darkest night  
Yet thought I knew the way  
The sin that promised joy and life  
Had led me to the grave  
I had no hope that You would own  
A rebel to Your will  
And if You had not loved me first  
I would refuse You still

**Prayer of Praise: Adam Botterbusch**  
(Please remain standing)

## Only A Holy God

Isaiah 57:15 - For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite.

Who else commands  
all the hosts of heaven  
Who else could make  
every king bow down  
Who else can whisper  
and darkness trembles  
Only a Holy God

But as I ran my hell-bound race  
Indifferent to the cost  
You looked upon my helpless state  
And led me to the cross  
And I beheld God's love displayed  
You suffered in my place  
You bore the wrath reserved for me  
Now all I know is grace

*Hallelujah all I have is Christ  
Hallelujah Jesus is my life*

Now Lord I would be Yours alone  
And live so all might see  
The strength to follow Your  
commands  
Could never come from me  
O Father use my ransomed life  
In any way You choose  
And let my song forever be  
My only boast is You

*Come and behold Him  
The One and the Only  
Cry out sing holy  
Forever a Holy God  
Come and worship the Holy God*

What other glory consumes like fire  
What other power can raise the dead  
What other name remains undefeated  
Only a Holy God

Who else could rescue me from my failing  
Who else would offer His only Son  
Who else invites me to call Him Father  
Only a Holy God  
Only my Holy God

## Means of Grace

### Preaching of the Word: Jon Moffitt

#### Scripture Reading

1 Peter 3:18–22 - For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit,<sup>19</sup> in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison,<sup>20</sup> because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water.<sup>21</sup> Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,<sup>22</sup> who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

### Christ Is Mine Forevermore

Philippians 3:7-8 - But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup> Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ...

Mine are days that  
God has numbered  
I was made to walk with Him  
Yet I look for worldly treasure  
And forsake the King of kings

But mine is hope in my Redeemer  
Though I fall His love is sure  
For Christ has paid for every failing  
I am His forevermore

Mine are tears in times of sorrow  
Darkness not yet understood  
Through the valley I must travel  
Where I see no earthly good

But mine is peace that  
flows from heaven  
And the strength in times of need  
I know my pain will not be wasted  
Christ completes His work in me  
Mine are days here as a stranger  
Pilgrim on a narrow way  
One with Christ I will encounter  
Harm and hatred for His name

But mine is armor for this battle  
Strong enough to last the war  
And He has said He will deliver  
Safely to the golden shore

And mine are keys to Zion city  
Where beside the King I walk  
For there my heart has  
found its treasure  
Christ is mine forevermore

Come rejoice now O my soul  
For His love is my reward  
Fear is gone and hope is sure  
Christ is mine forevermore