

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

July 20, 2025

Proper 11

\*Those who are able, please stand.

Please silence cell phones.

Please sign the blue friendship pad at the end of the pew.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Chiming Of The Hour

(Prepare your hearts for worship)

Welcome

One: "The Lord be with you."

All: "And also with you."

\*Call to Worship

(Colossians 1)

One:

In Jesus Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell. Through him God was reconciled to all things in heaven and on earth, even to us, that we might be holy and blameless before God.

All:

In awe and gratitude, let us worship the Lord our God.

\*Hymn 213

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

RATHBUN

Prayer of Confession

(Luke 10)

All:

Merciful God, we confess that we have been distracted with many things and have not loved you with our whole heart and strength. We have not paid attention to your Word. We have allowed the poor to be neglected and the weak to be oppressed. We have been impatient in worship and insincere in our dealings with others. We have ignored signs of injustice and disregarded warnings of judgment. Forgive us, we pray, and teach us repentance. Free us from our habits of pride, and make us steadfast in faith, that we may live as those who are reconciled with you in Jesus Christ our Lord.

(silent confession)

One:

Though we were once estranged, in Jesus Christ we have been reconciled with God. Baptized, forgiven, and freed, we are one with the Lord and with each other.

All:

Thanks be to God!

\*Gloria Patri

Hymn #581

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Anthem

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Psalm 15

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

Epistle: Colossians 1:15-28

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Sermon

Rev. J. David Jordan

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to Discipleship

Prayer

Affirmation of Faith:

(The Apostles' Creed)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again, he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

Prayers of The People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory

\*Doxology

Hymn #606

Prayer of Dedication

(Luke 10)

All:

O God, receive these gifts, which are the product of our labors, and let us not forget the better part of our offering, which is our devotion to the words of life we have received from Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*Hymn 321

"The Church's One Foundation"

AURELIA

SENT FORTH TO SERVE

Announcements

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Chorus

"Bind us together, Lord; bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord; bind us together, Lord; bind us together with love. There is only one God, there is only one King, and there is only one body; that is why we sing. Bind us together, Lord; bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord; bind us together, Lord; bind us together with love."

Please greet each other as you leave with these words:

"Grace to you."

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, July 22

**12:30 p.m.** Ladies, it's time for a summer get together. Tuesday, July 22nd let's go to Puzzle Piece Pastries on Thompson Bridge Rd. in Gainesville. Good menu for breakfast and lunch. Look over their menu at [www.puzzlepiecepastries.org](http://www.puzzlepiecepastries.org). The reservations will be for 12:30. If you want to carpool, meet at church at 12:00. Please let Barbara Quintrell know if you can join us, 678-925-9849. Looking forward to seeing everyone then!

Sunday, July 27

**11:00 a.m.** Join us on July 27 for our annual Blessing of the Backpacks. A special service where we pray for our students, teachers, and families as they prepare for the upcoming school year. If you have a child or know of one who wishes to participate in this service, just have them bring their backpack to church.

Sundays

Sunday Bible study is taking a summer break until Labor Day. When we return, we will study Philippians – more information forthcoming.

Tuesdays

Ladies Bible study will be on break for the summer. The book we will begin studying on September 2nd: Life Lessons from James by Max Lucado.

Wednesdays

The choir will be taking a break during the month of July. The choir returns to practice August 6th at 7:00pm and we hope to see some of you there.

**Liturgist:** Christy Jordan

**Ushers:** Joey and Kristie Homans

**Flowers & Refreshments:** Kristie Homans

**Elders :** Chuck Achuff, Frank Banks, Joe Fortune, Betty Powell, Shirley Schmelzinger, and Lynette Steritz

**Clerk of Session:** Dan Schmelzinger

**Deacons:** Jerry Atkins, Jane Miller, Barbara Quintrell, Dan Scott, Christine Seese, and Priscilla Taylor

**Nominating Committee:** Andy Clemons, Bonnie Fry, Christy Jordan, Betty, Powell, Barbara Quintrell, Mary Ann Sheehy, and Nathan Steritz

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**Welcome to Grace Presbyterian Church!**  
**Grace is a church for the community, and all of God’s people are welcome here.**

**In Our Prayers:** John and Susan Adams (Marsha Loftin), Jason Atkins (Jerry), Susan Atkins, Frank Ball, Ruth Ann Ball, the Barnes Family - Carey and his son Baron (Mary Ann Sheehy), Anna Claire Beavers (Marsha), Sarah Ellen Beavers (Marsha Loftin), Bill and Sandy (Dan Scott), Gretchen Blackwell, Emily Bond (Jared Dixon), Carmen, Cathy (Kristi Deutz), Lisa Conn, Trey Courtney, Jessica and Michael Couture's family (Margie), Patricia Crain (Ruth Ann Ball), Darren (Chris Yarbrough), Karen Davenport, Joan and Randy Davis, Mary Delasota (Bob Thornton), Mike Eason (Joey), Marvin Fuller (Kelly), Quincey Gamble (Marsha Loftin), Jim Hambright, Patrick Hawkins family (Shirley), Clara, Hogan (Shirley), Margaret Hunt (Jim Hambright), Irena (Gretchen Blackwell), Robert Ivy, Jenna (Reece Neidlinger), Cindy Johnson (Amanda Herrit), Doug Jones (Margie O’Byrne), Julia (Kristi Deutz), Justin (Carmen), Cynthia Kodua, Shelby Lee, Linda (Jaycey), Martha’s Family (Dan Scott), Reed Maurer, Anna McQuilken (Kristi Deutz), John Murray (Betty Banks), Eric Nelson (Katie), Mrs. Nichols (Lynette), Margie O’Byrne, Betty Powell, Mandy Power, Brenda Reagans (Kristie), Kathy Silvio (Marsha Loftin), Nancy Smiley (Ruth Ann Ball), Jacob Stone (Nancy McCue), Susan (Ruth Ann Ball), Colleen Taylor, Ti (Shirley Schmelzinger), Viviana Torres, the family of John Trammel (Emma Teems), Carol Watkins, Bill and Sherry Weeks, Sandra White, Wilma & her husband (Sandy), Anonymous leukemia patient

**Assisted Living:** Sandy Grimes

**Sympathy:** The family of Zoe Putnam, the family of Joan Ronsiek, the Family of Jane Stuckey

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