

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meal Suggestions – for the month of March, Van Pelts will continue to bring dessert and drinks. Armitsteads will bring paper goods and utensils. All others can bring main dishes or salads.

Children in Worship – Children's ministry is important to us. Currently, child care is available for children ages 4 and under during the service. As our church grows and we have more volunteers, we will plan to have a children's church for the older kids.

GRC Information – Our web address is www.gracereformedms.com. Our phone number is 601-790-0530. If you are new to the church, please fill out an information form located on the back table and place it in the box marked "Giving."

Giving – If you would like to financially support this church, there is a box for donations located on the back table in the worship meeting room. All money received will be used for the ministry of the gospel or for the care of those in need.

Dinner at Newk's! – Sunday Evenings at 5:30 PM

Anyone interested in gathering together for dinner on Sunday evenings is invited to Newk's. Come, hang out, eat, and get to know one another. **Address** – 1065 Highland Colony Parkway Suite A, Ridgeland MS 39157.

On the Gospel and Life

Irreligious people seek to be their own saviors and lords through irreligion, "worldly" pride. ("No one tells me how to live or what to do, so I determine what is right and wrong for me!"). But moral and religious people seek to be their own saviors and lords through religion, "religious" pride. . . . Both irreligion and religion are forms of self salvation.

To "get the gospel" is to turn from self-justification and rely on Jesus' record for a relationship with God. The irreligious don't repent at all, and the religious only repent of sins. But Christians also repent of their righteousness. That is the distinction between the three groups—Christians, moralists (religious), and pragmatists (irreligious).

Tim Keller, Redeemer Presbyterian Church, New York

BELONGING

If you are a Christian, you are a member of Christ's church. If you are seeking to associate with a local church body, Grace Reformed Church would love to have you come under the care of its leadership. For more information about coming under the care of this local church, speak with a deacon or elder, or contact us at contact@gracereformedms.org.

EATING

Each week, after worship, we hang around and eat a meal together. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. During this time, we will discuss the sermon for that evening in a question-and-answer format. Meal assignments are listed in the announcement section of this church bulletin. Please note that you do not need to bring any food in order to attend the meal. Just come!

GIVING

Grace Reformed Church is supported by the generosity of those who gather together for worship and community. If you would like to financially support this church, there is a box for donations located on the back table in the worship meeting room.

COMMUNING

Each week during worship, we take the Lord's supper together toward the end of the service. The Lord's table is for all those who profess faith in Christ, repenting of their sins and resting in the finished work of Christ. For whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 95:6–8

Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care. Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.

Song of Praise

Shout to the Lord

Prayer of Invocation

Confession of Sin

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

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

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 8:1–3

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh.

Song of Praise

Compassion Hymn

Scripture Reading

Genesis 22:1–8

1 Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, “Abraham!” “Here I am,” he replied. 2 Then God said, “Take your son, your only son, Isaac, whom you love, and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains I will tell you about.”

3 Early the next morning Abraham got up and saddled his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about. 4 On the

third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. 5 He said to his servants, “Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you.”

6 Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them went on together, 7 Isaac spoke up and said to his father Abraham, “Father?”

“Yes, my son?” Abraham replied. “The fire and wood are here,” Isaac said, “but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?”

8 Abraham answered, “God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son.” And the two of them went on together.

Song of Thanksgiving

Oh the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Scripture Reading

Revelation 5:1–14

1 Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides and sealed with seven seals. 2 And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming in a loud voice, “Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?” 3 But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth could open the scroll or even look inside it. 4 I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside. 5 Then one of the elders said to me, “Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals.”

6 Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing in the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. He had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. 7 He came and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne. 8 And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. 9 And they sang a new song:

“You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation. 10 You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth.”

11 Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. 12 In a loud voice they sang:

“Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!”

13 Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: “To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!”

14 The four living creatures said, “Amen,” and the elders fell down and worshiped.

Sermon

“Worthy Is the Lamb”

Song of Response

Worthy is the Lamb, v. 1

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

1 Corinthians 11:26

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

Song of Response

Worthy is the Lamb, v. 2

Closing Prayer