

Grace Presbyterian Church

May 25, 2008



8:45 a.m.

GATHERING PRAISE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

(4 yr old through 4th grade will exit for "Kids Own Worship")

PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

RECOGNITION OF VETERANS

BOWING BEFORE GOD IN PRAYER

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

SERMON

"The Benefits of Freedom"

Selected passages from Galatians

CELEBRATION SONG

BLESSING

DEPARTING IN FAITH AND HOPE

All songs projected by permission: CCLI # 945944

11:15 a.m.

Today we use The Presbyterian Hymnal (blue)

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“American Hymn Tune Medley”

Selected

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Little ones and strong ones,
People: Praise the Lord.

Leader: Old ones and new ones,
People: Sing out your joy.

Leader: Short ones, tall ones and those in between,
People: Give thanks to our Maker.

Leader: Happy ones, sad ones and those dizzied by the pace of life,
People: Bless our God who knows all our days.

Leader: All you gathered in this holy place,
All: Sing and praise our God.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #151

Crown Him with Many Crown

DIADEMATA

CHILDREN IN CHANCEL

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, you know me. You know the inner thoughts of which I am ashamed and the visible deeds I regret. You know my struggle to live faithfully: being generous to those in need; being forgiving to those who have hurt me; being patient when there is so much to do; taking time for prayer in the midst of busyness; being loving, when judging and criticizing are my first thoughts.

Loving God, you know me, love me, forgive me, trust me, and I stand in awe at your amazing grace. Keep me on the path of Christ and lead me to deep joy and abundant gratitude. In his name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*** GLORIA #579**

GREATOREX

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(The people greet fellow worshippers with the peace of Christ)

***HYMN #280**

Amazing Grace

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RECOGNITION OF VETERANS

HYMN #466

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

Azmon

SERMON

**“The Benefits of Freedom”
Selected Passages from Galatians**

Pastor Larry Turner

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles’ Creed

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

“God of Our Fathers”

*George W. Warren
Arr. By Mark Townsend*

***DOXOLOGY**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN #538**

Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

Sicilian Mariners

***BENEDICTION**

“Wherever you go, God is sending you, wherever you are, God has put you there. He has a purpose in your being there. Christ who dwells within you, has something He wants you to do. Believe this and go in His grace and love and power.”

POSTLUDE

“In Christ, Our Liberty”

arr. M.E. Kerrick

** denotes Congregation Standing*

***Parents please pick up your children from Kids Own Worship!!*

IN SERVICE THIS WEEK May 25, 2008

Oversight Elders:

Opening - Dossett Foster

Closing - Jean Markham

Hosts:

Joan Tinnen, John Price, Daryl & Johnnie Davis

Worship Attendance for May 18, 2008

8:45 38
11:15 97
Total 135

Children’s Church

8:45 am

Leader:

Kim Upshaw

Assistant: Linda Foster
Puppet Asst. Leslie Russell
11:15 am
Leader: Beth Turner
Assistant Kirsten Waddell
Puppet Asst. Catie Waddell
Topic **Samson Receives Strength from God**
Judges 15: 9-16; 16: 4-30

In service for next week, June 01, 2008

Oversight Elders: **Opening** – Walt Schrimper
Closing – Joe Bishop

Hosts: Mildred and Earle Culverhouse, Frances Kitterman, Ken Hathaway

Communion Servers:
 8:45 am Janet Vawter, Mark Gray
 11:15 am Linda Tolley, John Dotson, Jean Starnes, Bill Byrd, Jean Markham

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Topic: **Elisha Helps a Widow and Her Sons**
2 Kings 4:1-7

Calendar of Events

<u>Sunday, May 25, 2008</u>		<u>Thursday, May 29, 2008</u>	
5:00 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm	Praise Band
6:00 pm	Youth/Adult Game Night (YAP)		
<u>Monday, May 26, 2008</u>		<u>Friday, May 30, 2008</u>	
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts	7:00 pm	Game Night – White Elephant Bingo
		8:00 pm	Youth Lock-in
<u>Tuesday, May 27, 2008</u>		<u>Sunday, June 01, 2008</u>	
7:00 pm	Boy/Cub Scouts	8:45 am	Contemporary Service/Children’s Church
		10:00 am	Sunday School
<u>Wednesday, May 28, 2008</u>		11:15am	Traditional Service/Children’s Church
6:30 pm	Youth Bible Study	5:00 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:30 pm	Choir		

CHURCH STAFF

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WELCOME VISITORS: In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you to worship today. Please sign the friendship pad during the announcements so that we may have a record of your presence today.

If you have not had your picture taken and want it in the church directory, please contact Dot Hathaway at 388-2117 to set up an appointment.

Children's worship bulletins, with crayons are available at the back of the Sanctuary near the entrance doors. If you are unable to locate the bulletins, please ask the ushers for assistance.

White Elephant Bingo will be sponsored by the Congregational Life Committee, Friday, May 30th. Bring a White Elephant prize - some new item with a value of at least a dollar, maybe an unneeded birthday gift, or Christmas present. Bingo will be from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Arrive a little early and bring either, a dessert, veggie tray, cookies, chips, drinks, etc. Come join the fun and fellowship, no reservations are required.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Joe and Amy Bishop in memory of Betty Stedham and James Krech, and to all of Grace Presbyterian Veterans.

The Care Committee will be meeting on June 12, 2008 at 7:00 pm at the church. **We will host the MIHN guests starting on June 08th.** The signup sheet is available in the hallway. Sign up early for your favorite spot. For more information please call Dana Jackson at 377-9374.

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REMEMBER THESE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH

Our Church Family:

Lee Guenther Healing/Strength
Katelyn Vawter..... Safety in her travels and work.
Ray Haley Health Concerns
Alex Martin, grandson of Virginia Martin Deployed to Baghdad

Our Extended Church Family:

Debbie Boren, co-worker of Johnnie Davis Leukemia
Cynthia Lee, Friend and co-worker of Janet Vawter.....Pituitary tumor and other health related problems.
The father of Tony Taylor, Katleyn Vawter's best friend.....Colon Cancer
Bill & Cathy Bendall's Daughter, Rachel Pope ...Thyroid Cancer
Bill & Cathy Bendall's Son, Billy Bendall
Joe & Viola Gonzales, Daniel Hick's grandparents ... Health Concerns
Paul Cave, Dan & Georgie Cave's brother Cancer treatment
To all of our military troops who are serving overseas, or state-side.

The parents of Pastor Larry Turner..... Health Concerns

Dale Crum, Friend of Pastor Larry Turner

Susan Jenkins, co-worker of Janet Vawter, and her son Ben..... Emotional Healing & Strength.

