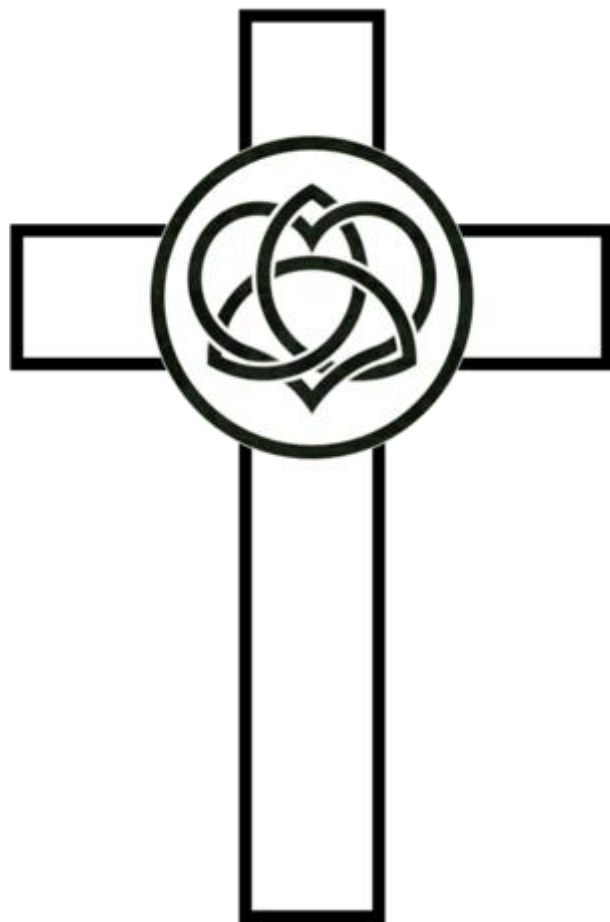


Grace Reformed



November 2, 2025

We are a church that loves the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, and through that gospel, by repentance and faith in Christ, are seeking to grow in love for our Triune God, his church, and our neighbors.

Welcome!

We are pleased to have you with us this morning as we worship our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We believe worship is about gathering together to meet with the Triune God. During worship we believe that God:

- **Draws** near to expose our sins so that we can repent of them
- **Forgives** our sins so that we can be reconciled to him and each other
- **Pours** his love into our hearts
- **Comforts** the mourning
- **Strengthens** the weak
- **Heals** the broken
- **Encourages** the sorrowful
- **Deepens** our faith
- **Refreshes and Renews** our love and obedience to his Word.

Our worship follows a dialogue format, where God speaks to us through his Bible and reflections on his Word, and we respond to him in different ways like listening, singing, praying, repenting, confessing, etc. In this “holy conversation” Jesus tells us about himself, and about us, and about how we can grow closer to him and look more like him in our daily lives.

Therefore, so that we can focus on what God is doing and saying, we ask that you if you are not using your cellphone to read the Bible and access the liturgy to please turn off or silence them during the worship service; or if you are using them to limit yourself to those activities (airplane mode is helpful with this).

Also, meeting with God is not just for adults! Jesus welcomes all of us, including little children. If you have children, we are delighted to have them worship with us in the worship service! We encourage you to help them worship and quietly answer questions they may have during worship. If you are new to church and don't know the answers, or want help in how to encourage their participation, you are very much invited to speak with our pastor or one of the elders. We very much want you and your children to be able to understand and participate in worship as much as possible.

To help you follow along more easily, please note that ***bold italicized text*** are words that we say out loud together. Headings have an * behind them show places where we invite you to stand with us if you are able.

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Meditation Verse and Prelude: Psalm 32:1-2

[During the prelude ask the Triune God to help you worship him through repentance and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.]

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

***God's Greeting: Romans 1:7**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

***God's Call to Worship: Psalm 30:4, 1-3**

Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.

I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me. O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. O Lord, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

***Our Song and Prayer of Approach: #125 Let All Things Now Living**

God's Call to Confession: Exodus 20:16

"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Our Corporate Confession of Sin:

[After this, a time of silent, personal confession follows, where we can confess our individual sins individually]

Our Lord and God, though you have shed the light of truth into our hearts, we are slow to live in that light. Rather than acknowledge our failures before others, we seek to make ourselves look good. Rather than receiving good news with joy, we too often dwell on bad news and let it dominate our lives. Rather than covering for the weaknesses of our brothers and sisters in Christ, we too easily look down upon them in our thoughts and even our words. Please forgive us heavenly Father for our resistance to truth and light. Please grant us grace that we may grow to love you and our brothers and sisters more, and that we may learn to express that love in truth. In Jesus name, amen.

God's Assurance of Pardon: Romans 8:1-2

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.

Our Corporate Response of Praise: Micah 7:19

He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

You have nothing to hide: *I am forgiven in Christ!*

You have nothing to prove: *I am righteous in Christ!*

You have nothing to fear: *I am loved in Christ!*

***Our Song of Assurance: #703 Loved with Everlasting Love**

Reception of New Members

1. Do you believe the Bible, consisting of the Old and New Testaments, to be the Word of God, and its doctrine of salvation to be the perfect and only true doctrine of salvation?

2. Do you believe in one living and true God, in whom eternally there are three distinct persons—God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit—who are the same in being and equal in power and glory, and that Jesus Christ is God the Son, come in the flesh?

3. Do you confess that because of your sinfulness you abhor and humble yourself before God, that you repent of your sin, and that you trust for salvation not in yourself but in Jesus Christ alone?

4. Do you acknowledge Jesus Christ as your sovereign Lord, and do you promise that, in reliance on the grace of God, you will serve him with all that is in you, forsake the world, resist the devil, put to death your sinful deeds and desires, and lead a godly life?

5. Do you promise to participate faithfully in this church's worship and service, to submit in the Lord to its government, and to heed its discipline, even in case you should be found delinquent in doctrine or life?

Offerings of Thanks, Praise and Trust: James 1:16-18

(If you would like to give, you may do so through our online giving portal, by mail, or during Sunday worship)

Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

Sung during the offering: #432 We Give Thee But Thine Own

Our Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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.

***Our Confession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 50-52**

Q. Why the next words: "and is seated at the right hand of God"?

A. Because Christ ascended to heaven to show there that he is head of his church, the one through whom the Father rules all things.

Q. How does this glory of Christ our head benefit us?

A. First, through his Holy Spirit he pours out gifts from heaven upon us his members.

Q. How does Christ's return "to judge the living and the dead" comfort you?

A. In all distress and persecution, with uplifted head I confidently await the very judge who has already offered himself to the judgment of God in my place and removed the whole curse from me. Christ will cast all his enemies and mine into everlasting condemnation but will take me and all his chosen ones to himself into the joy and glory of heaven.

God's Word Read and Proclaimed

Pastor/Speaker: Brett Mahlen

Text: Mark 14:17-21

Sermon: Is it I? Examine Yourself

Our Prayer of Dedication

***Our Song of Response: #579 Dare to Be A Daniel**

The Lord's Supper

We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and his body, the Church.

By eating the bread and drinking the cup with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging to our church that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation.

If you have any doubts about your participation, please speak to the pastor or one of the elders.

***God's Benediction: 2 Thessalonians 2:5**

May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

***Our Song of Hope: #469 How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place v6**

We long to see your churches full,
that all the chosen race
may, with one voice and heart and soul,
sing your redeeming grace.