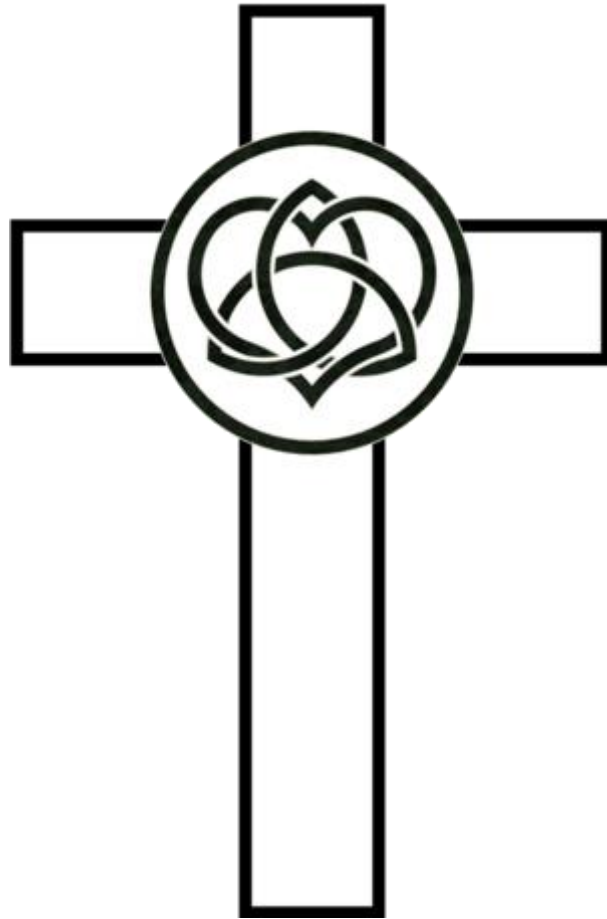


Grace Reformed



August 30, 2026

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. Any songs not in the public domain are covered by our CCLI. License No. 11554939.

Meditation Verse and Prelude: James 1:2-4

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

Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

***God's Greeting: 2 Timothy 1:2**

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

***God's Call to Worship: Psalm 100**

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

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.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

***Our Song and Prayer of Approach: TPH 19A - The Heavens Above Declare (v1-5)**

God's Call to Confession: Hebrews 13:3

Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body.

Our Corporate Confession of Sin:

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

Holy God, you have commanded us to care for and love prisoners and the mistreated. Please forgive us for failing in this. We see people imprisoned and sometimes rejoice to see justice done, but fail to consider that they are destitute of your comfortable presence. We see people mistreated and often worry about where our society is going and what that means for us, but we fail to show your love for them. Please forgive us for our hard-heartedness. Take our stony hearts and give us hearts of flesh, equipped and able to love all of our neighbors. Please give us opportunities to help those in need, and strengthen our wills to actually follow through and do the work. By your mercy, please glorify yourself in the love you show through us. In Jesus name, Amen.

God's Assurance of Pardon: Ezekiel 36:25-27

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

Our Corporate Response of Praise: Psalm 65:3-4

When iniquities prevail against me, you atone for our transgressions. Blessed is the one you choose and bring near, to dwell in your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, the holiness of your temple!

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: #650 I Will Sing of My Redeemer**

Offerings of Thanks, Praise and Trust: Malachi 3:10

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

Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.

Our Song of Offering: #585 Take My Life, And Let It Be

Our Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession:

[We pray the Lord's Prayer at the end together]

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: Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

God's Word Read and Proclaimed

Pastor Shawn Spalti

Text: Matthew 9:25-28

Sermon: The Harvest is Plentiful but the Laborers are Few

Our Prayer of Dedication

***Our Song of Response: #443 - Hark! the Voice of Jesus Crying**

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: Numbers 6:24-26**

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

***Our Song of Hope: #735 Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and always shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.