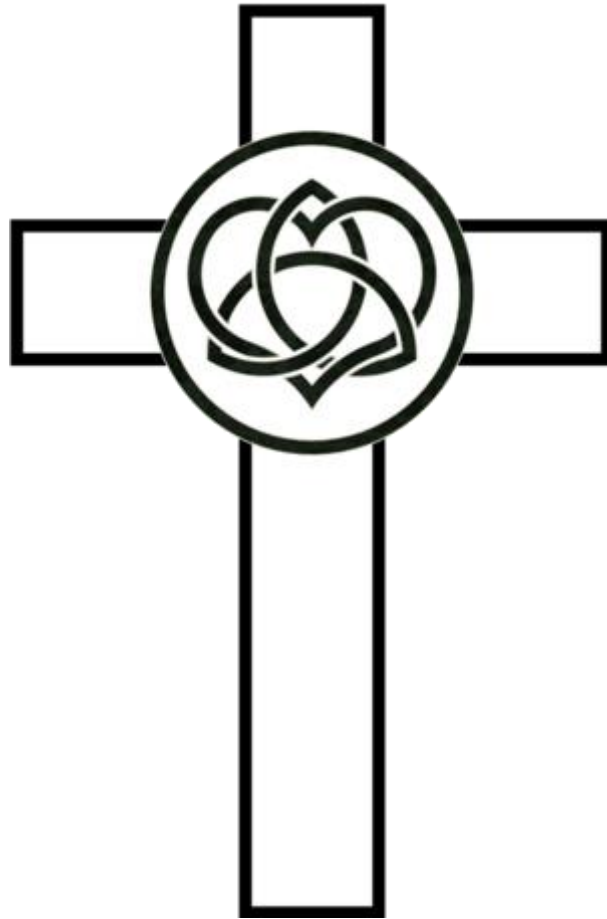


Grace Reformed



September 6, 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 1:5-8

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

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him. But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

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

May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.

***God's Call to Worship: 1 Chronicles 16:8-13**

Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!

Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works!

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually!

Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles and the judgments he uttered, O offspring of Israel his servant, children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

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

God's Call to Confession: Hebrews 13:4

Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous.

Our Corporate Confession of Sin:

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

Heavenly Father, you have given us marriage as a gift, in it you show us your love for us, as well as showing forth Jesus' love for his church. But we each abuse it in our own way. We idolize it and hope that it will complete us, or we treat it as something cheap and think little of it. Please forgive us for our failures to honor you by honoring marriages that you have given to us. For those of us aspiring to marriage, please help us to balance our desires for it with our contentment first in you. For those of us already married, please help us to honor our spouses and the union you have given us, and by so doing to show your goodness to those in need of your light, including ourselves. In all these things, please deliver us from temptation and sin. In Jesus name, amen.

God's Assurance of Pardon: Isaiah 41:9-10

You [Israel] are my servant, I have chosen you and not cast you off"; fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Our Corporate Response of Praise: Romans 8:31-32

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

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: His Mercy Is More**

**1 What love could
remember no wrongs we
have done? Omniscient, all
knowing, He counts not their
sum. Thrown into a sea
without bottom or shore,
Our sins they are many, His
mercy is more!
Praise the Lord! His mercy is
more! Stronger than
darkness, new every morn,
Our sins they are many, His
mercy is more!**

**2 What patience would wait
as we constantly roam?
What Father, so tender, is
calling us home? He
welcomes the weakest, the
vilest, the poor, Our sins
they are many, His mercy is
more! Praise the Lord! His
mercy is more! Stronger
than darkness, new every
morn, Our sins they are
many, His mercy is more!**

**3 What riches of kindness
Christ lavished on us, His
blood was the payment, His
life was the cost! We stood
'neath a debt we could never
afford, Our sins they are
many, His mercy is more!
Praise the Lord! His mercy is
more! Stronger than
darkness, new every morn,
Our sins they are many, His
mercy is more**

Offerings of Thanks, Praise and Trust: Mark 12:41-44

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

And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.

Our Song of Offering: #342 - Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

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: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 108 & 109**

Q. What does the seventh commandment teach us?

A. That God condemns all unchastity, and that therefore we should thoroughly detest it and live decent and chaste lives, within or outside of the holy state of marriage.

Q. Does God, in this commandment, forbid only such scandalous sins as adultery?

A. We are temples of the Holy Spirit, body and soul, and God wants both to be kept clean and holy. That is why God forbids all unchaste actions, looks, talk, thoughts, or desires, and whatever may incite someone to them.

God's Word Read and Proclaimed

Pastor Shawn Spalti

Text: Genesis 27

Sermon: God fulfills his promise in Isaac's blessing

Our Prayer of Dedication

***Our Song of Response: #74 - God is Working His Purpose Out**

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 Corinthians 13:14**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

***Our Song of Hope: TPH #569 Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost!