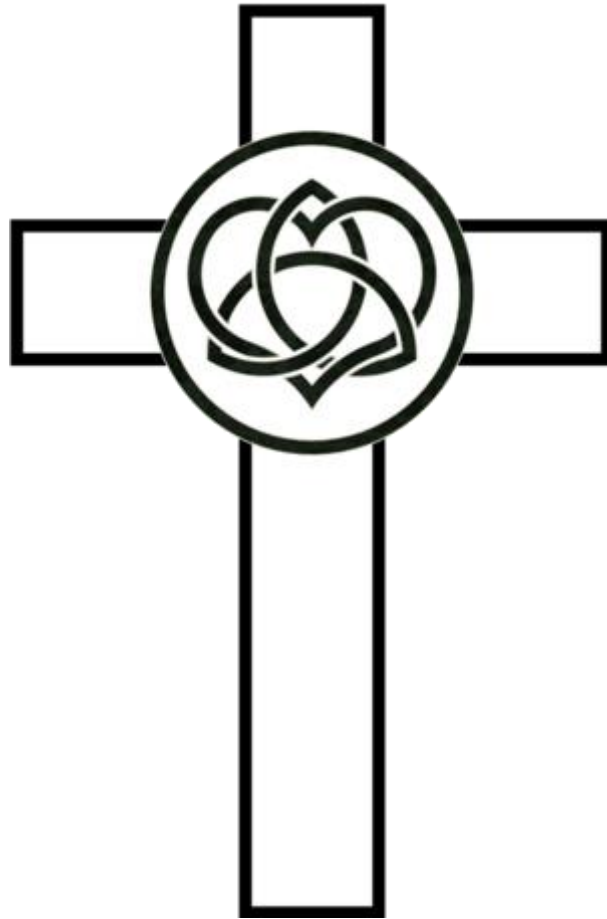


Grace Reformed



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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 1:12

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

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

***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: Exodus 15:1, 2-4, 13, 17-18**

I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him. The Lord is a man of war; the Lord is his name.

You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode. You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain, the place, O Lord, which you have made for your abode, the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established.

The Lord will reign forever and ever.

***Our Song and Prayer of Approach: #253 - There is a Fountain Filled with Blood**

God's Call to Confession: Hebrews 13:7

Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith.

Our Corporate Confession of Sin:

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

Most Wise and Good Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways, like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, and at many points have failed to follow the holy examples of those who went before us. So, we have violated Your perfect law. We left undone those things which we should have done, and did those things which we should not have. Forgive us in Christ, O God, as we confess our transgressions. Restore us according to Your promises. By your Holy Spirit, make us able and willing to seek the old and holy paths, and follow them. Through Christ Jesus our Lord, amen.

God's Assurance of Pardon: John 10:7-10

So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

Our Corporate Response of Praise: Psalm 17:7-8

Wondrously show your steadfast love, O Savior of those who seek refuge from their adversaries at your right hand. Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings.

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: Before the Throne of God Above**

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose
name is love
Who ever lives and pleads for
me
My name is graven on His
hands
My name is written on His
heart
I know that while in heav'n He
stands
No tongue can bid me thence
depart
No tongue can bid me thence
depart

When Satan tempts me to
despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him
there
Who made an end to all my sin
Because the sinless Savior
died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there, the risen
Lamb
My perfect, spotless
Righteousness
The great unchangeable I AM
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself, I cannot die
My soul is purchased by His
blood
My life is hid with Christ on
high
With Christ my Savior and my
God
With Christ my Savior and my
God

God's Call for Offerings of Thanks, Praise and Trust: Proverbs 3:9-10

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

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

Our Prayer of Thanksgiving

Our Song of Offering: #297 All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

Our Prayer of 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 110 - 111**

Q. What does God forbid in the eighth commandment?

A. God forbids not only outright theft and robbery, punishable by law. But in God's sight theft also includes all scheming and swindling to get our neighbor's goods for ourselves, whether by force or means that appear legitimate, such as inaccurate measurements of weight, size, or volume; fraudulent merchandising; counterfeit money; excessive interest; or any other means forbidden by God. In addition, God forbids all greed and pointless squandering of his gifts.

Q. What does God require of you in this commandment?

A. That I do whatever I can for my neighbor's good, that I treat others as I would like them to treat me, and that I work faithfully so that I may share with those in need.

God's Word Read and Proclaimed

Pastor Shawn Spalti

Text: Genesis 28:10-22

Sermon: Jacob's Dream and "Commitment"

Our Prayer of Dedication

***Our Song of Response: #245 - As Jacob with Travel Was Weary One Day**

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!