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*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;  
to all who mourn and long for comfort;  
to all who struggle and desire victory;  
to all who sin and need a Savior;  
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;  
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;  
and to all who will come,  
this church opens wide her doors  
and offers welcome  
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

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## *Reflections*

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"It was the God of salvation who imposed his law on his people; the grace that saves precedes the law that demands. The people were given the law not in order that they might become the redeemed, rather it was because they had already been redeemed that they were given the law. The law of God is the way of life he sets before those whom he has saved, and they engage in that way of life as a response of love and gratitude to God their Redeemer."

— J.A. Motyer

"Anyone who believes that our relationship with God is based on keeping up moral behavior is on an endless treadmill of guilt and insecurity."

— Tim Keller

"If God should show mercy only to such as deserve it, he must show mercy to none."

— Thomas Watson

# Grace Presbyterian Church

*Trinity Sunday*

June 11, 2017

10:30 a.m.

## Prelude

## Words of Welcome

## Preparation for Worship<sup>1</sup>

\_\_\_\_\_ *Praise* \_\_\_\_\_

## Call to Worship

Minister: Jesus prayed that we, the church, would be one, just as he and the Father are one.

*People: Today we offer our praise and prayer together, as one body, in Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit.*

Minister: In harmony, let us glorify God – Father, Son, and Spirit.

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<sup>1</sup> As a courtesy, please program all communication devices to silent mode. Thank you!

**Song of Praise**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

**Prayer of Adoration**

**Song of Adoration**

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

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*Renewal*

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**Scripture Reading**

**Ephesians 4:3-6**

Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

**Confession of Sin**

*Leader  
& People:*

*Triune God, we praise you as the God of love and life. Though Jesus prayed that we would be one, we confess that we fail to live in unity with each other and with you. We break our communion through hostile words and unkind actions. We long for your Spirit to heal us and to correct us. We long for you to help us experience communion with you and with each other as we gather around your Word and Table. Even now, dependent on your grace, we commit ourselves to live more fully in the unity you desire. Through Christ, our Lord.*

**Private Confession and Reflection**

**Words of Encouragement**

**Romans 5:1, 2 & 5**

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

## Confession of Faith

## The Apostles' Creed

Minister: Christians, what do you believe?

*All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended to heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic<sup>2</sup> church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

## Song of Thanksgiving

*God of Grace*

## The Peace of God and Announcements

*If parents prefer, children 4 years old – 2nd grade  
are invited to attend Children's Church in the Education Building at this time.*

## The Prayers of the People (concluded with 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 for ever. Amen!*

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<sup>2</sup> that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places

## Commitment

### The Offering

The offering is a way for members and friends of Grace Church to support the church's mission and ministry. If you are our guest today, please feel under no compulsion to give.

### Scripture Reading

**Exodus 20:1-21**

And God spoke all these words:

2 "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery."

3 "You shall have no other gods before me."

4 "You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. 5 You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, 6 but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments."

7 "You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name."

8 "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. 9 Six days you shall labor and do all your work, 10 but the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns. 11 For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy."

12 "Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you."

13 "You shall not murder."

14 "You shall not commit adultery."

15 "You shall not steal."

16 "You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor."

17 "You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

18 When the people saw the thunder and lightning and heard the trumpet and saw the mountain in smoke, they trembled with fear. They stayed at a distance 19 and said to Moses, "Speak to us yourself and we will listen. But do not have God speak to us or we will die."

20 Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid. God has come to test you, so that the fear of God will be with you to keep you from sinning."

21 The people remained at a distance, while Moses approached the thick darkness where God was.

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*Communion*

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*Guidelines for Reception of Communion*

*Communion is a family meal for Christians. We welcome all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who are baptized members of a congregation which proclaims the gospel, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer using the prayers that follow as guidelines. We hope that this time is helpful as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ, and with his people, the church.*

**The Great Thanksgiving**

Minister: Therefore, lift up your hearts.

*People: We lift them up to the Lord!*

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

*People: It is right to give him thanks and praise!*

**Song of Communion**

*There is a Redeemer*

**Prayer of Consecration and the Words of Institution**

**Prayer for those not communing:**

*Prayer for Covenant Children (Not Yet Confirmed)*

Lord Jesus, thank you for placing me inside your family, the church. Help me more and more to know you, to love you, and to follow you as your faithful disciple. Amen.

*Prayer for Those Searching for Truth*

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you, as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

*Prayer of Belief*

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my



punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior. Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking only to you, the author and finisher of my faith. Amen.

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

## Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

Grace Presbyterian uses wine in the celebration of Holy Communion. If you prefer non-alcoholic grape juice, please take a cup from the outer circle of the tray. Please hold the elements until all have received so we can celebrate this meal together.

## Song of Commitment

*O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*

## Benediction<sup>3</sup>

May the grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

## Dismissal

Minister: Now, let us go forth to serve this community and the world as those who love our Lord Jesus Christ.

*ALL: Thanks be to God!*

The pastoral staff and other church leaders are available following the service to pray with you or to answer your questions about the Christian faith or Grace Church.

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<sup>3</sup> The benediction is much more than a wish or even a prayer. It is a renewed ordination of the people of God to their service to each other, to their community and the world. God declares his own favor toward his people.

## Worship Music<sup>4</sup>

Thank you for sharing your gifts and talents with Grace Presbyterian Church.

Brent Allmon, saxophone  
T.J. Darst, bass  
David Fox, keyboard  
Damon Henrichs, guitar

David Kang, violin  
Debra Moses, flute  
Rae Moses, piano  
Jennifer Reddick, flute

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————— *Sermon Notes* —————

**Exodus 20:1-21**

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## Grace Presbyterian Bulletin Board

**Welcome, Guests!** We are excited you're here with us today. We hope that you were warmly welcomed and would love for you to be a part of Grace. Please take a moment to fill out the visitor information on the back of the bulletin, tear it off and drop it in the offering plate or give it on to an usher.

**Parents of Infants - Three-Yr-Olds:** Our nursery and early-childhood classes provide a warm, nurturing, and well-supervised environment. Our workers welcome the opportunity to love your child! When using the nursery, please check in and label all items (bags, cups, etc.) with your child's name. If you need assistance or have any questions about the Nursery, please contact our Nursery Coordinator, Natalie Webster, at [nursery@gracewoodlands.org](mailto:nursery@gracewoodlands.org).

**Cry Room:** A cry room is available for the comfort of our new parents in order to ensure that everyone enjoys our services. It is located in the back of the sanctuary and it is well equipped (comfortable rockers, changing table, etc.) but if you are in need of anything, one of our ushers will be glad to assist.

**Grace Church Mobile App** (My Church by Elexio) is available for iPhone and Android and can be found by clicking the Apple App Store and Google Play icons on the church website. In addition to giving users access to the church directory and events, the mobile app also offers a mobile check-in option for the Nursery. If you have questions, please contact the church office at [admin@gracewoodlands.org](mailto:admin@gracewoodlands.org).

### **Sunday Mornings at Grace**

8:30 am Prayer

9:30 am Christian Education Classes

10:15 am Coffee Break

10:30 am Worship

11:45 am Intercession

**Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry:** To clasp hands in prayer is the beginning of an uprising against the disorder of the world. We would like to invite you to be a part of this uprising at 8:30 each Sunday morning in the Prayer Room (114). Join us as we pray for the expansion of God's Kingdom.

**Community Groups** are on Summer break and will return in the fall.

**Sunday Morning Classes:** Our Summer Melange of single-session Sunday morning classes continues next week. A combination of guest speakers and familiar voices are sharing transformational topics that have been working on their souls. Please join us and support our speakers as they encourage our hearts to open to Jesus.

#### **Gracelife:**

- **Grace Movie Night** - Join us this Friday, **June 16**, from 6:00-8:00 pm, on the sanctuary lawn for a movie night to close out VBS week! All ages, friends and neighbors are welcome! Bring blankets, lawn chairs, and snacks. We will sit outside (weather permitting) and enjoy a fun evening together! Invite your friends! Popcorn provided!
- **Church-Wide Pool Party:** Mark your calendars for the annual Church-Wide Pool Party! Cookout and swimming for the whole church family at Ridgewood Pool, 4192 Interfaith Way, The Woodlands. 6:00-8:00 pm **Sunday, June 18, 2017**. GraceLife will provide hot dogs, burgers, chips, and drinks. Please sign up in the Narthex to bring finger desserts (cookies, cupcakes, etc.)

**Children's Christian Education** classes are offered for Preschoolers (2-3yrs old), Pre-K and Kindergarten, 1st-2nd Grade, 3rd-4th Grade, and 5th-6th Grade. Classes meet in the Education Building at 9:30 am 2nd Grade and under are on the 1st floor, 3rd Grade and above meet on the 2nd floor.

- **Children's Church** is offered for children ages 4 years old through 2nd grade. During passing of the peace, the children line up with their leader in the back of the sanctuary to exit worship. During the

song of communion, children will rejoin their families to observe communion with the rest of the church body. We gather in room 108 in the Education Building to sing songs, pray, and hear a children's sermon. We also collect a children's offering during the service. This format is designed to model worship for our children and teach them the importance of meeting together as the body of Christ.

- **SNiCK and 56ers:** We are on break for the summer! We will resume in September!
- **Vacation Bible School:** Our Mighty Fortress VBS is this week! Please be praying for the children and the families that we will be serving, that the gospel would go out and transform hearts and families, and for all those who are volunteering to serve at VBS. VBS is offered free of charge to children ages 4 years through entering 4th grade. Registration is full! If you would like to be put on the wait-list, please email the church office.
- **VBS Set-up:** If you are able, please plan to stay after church TODAY to help move chairs and finalize decorations for VBS.
- **VBS Tear Down:** On Friday, **June 16**, at 11:30, if you are able, please come and help tear down, put things away, and clean up from VBS. We will provide lunch for all who participate!

#### **Student Ministry:**

- **Christian Education:** On Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:15, we gather to know more deeply about our Lord and Savior and who are in Christ. Join us on Sunday mornings! Jr. High in room 206 and Sr. High in room 205.
- **SNF (Sunday Night Fellowship):** On Sunday evenings we gather to eat together, laugh together, and to see the person and work of Jesus more clearly in our lives together. Jr. High meets from 5-7 pm and Sr. High meets 7-8:30 pm. **SNF is on summer vacation. But join us for some great fellowship opportunities throughout the summer.**
- **Summer Intern Contact Information:** We are so excited to have Luke Johnston join us for the summer serving our Student Ministry. His contact information is the following: cell-832-358-5352 and email-jaylukej@gmail.com.

**Women's Ministry Events and More!** Please join the Women's Ministry on E-Connect to get involved.

- **Rain Walks** is a grief support group for women who are dealing with the loss of a loved one, either recently or in the past. Please come to listen (and share if you like) as we discuss our journeys and ways to "walk" through our loss. We meet once a month, year round. Dates, times and locations vary each meeting. Our upcoming meeting will be at Black Walnut Café on Thursday, **June 22nd** starting at 8:30am. Contact Sabrina Amell for more information.
- **Girls' Night Out:** Join us at the Black Walnut Cafe (9000 New Trails), Thursday, **July 6th** we'll meet at 6:30 pm. Come and go as you like! Questions, contact Kristen Power.

#### **Men's Fraternal:**

- **Brew Night:** Our next monthly men's gathering is set for Tuesday, **June 20th**. Join us at Wings N More on 242 for dinner and fellowship starting at 6:30 pm. Come and go as you like.

#### **GraceCares:**

- **Autumn Grove:** Just a few minutes drive from Grace, Autumn Grove Cottage, a sixteen resident assisted living home, provides care to men and women with Alzheimer's. A small group from Grace visits roughly once a month for about 30 minutes or so to sing, pray and visit with the residents. Children are always welcome.
- **Meals Ministry:** There are many seasons and events in life when we all need the help and encouragement of our community. The Meals Ministry seeks to enter into these times by providing meals and other means of support. If you are in need of meals, or would like to help provide meals for others, please contact our Meals Coordinator, Rhonnie Bellin.
- **Serve and Care for Grace Church members and congregation.** If you would like to know the best way to support and help those who might have financial or physical needs in our church and community, we would encourage you to consider giving to the Deacon's Fund. It is through the deacons and their

ministry that Grace church provides for, supports and comes alongside those who are in need. If you have questions, please contact Matt Bradshaw.

- **Prayer Ministry:** Our desire at Grace is that we take seriously the privilege of prayer and there are several ways you can participate. If you become aware of a prayer need, please communicate this to us in one of the following ways:
  - In writing: Fill out the back page of the bulletin and place it in the offering plate.
  - By phone: 281-296-0911 (Church Office)

Your requests will be communicated to our Church Staff, Officers, and our Prayer Team. If you would like to be on our Prayer Team, please let us know.

**Missions Service Opportunities & Events:** Contact John Zeigler for more information or to be added to our GraceMissions email list or to connect with a missions team advocate.

- **June Partner Prayer:** Please join the Missions Leadership Team in praying for these two mission partners throughout the month of June.
  - Rev. David & Mrs. Kelly Richter, Somerville Church Planting Project, Boston, MA
  - Francis A. Schaeffer Institute at Covenant Theological Seminary, St. Louis, MO
- **The PCA Global Missions Conference** is coming to Dallas, November 10th–12th, 2017. God has equipped you with unique gifts for serving the Church. Join us at the PCA Global Missions Conference to discover how you can help expand the reach of the Great Commission. Enlarge your understanding through over 80 seminars led by missions experts from all over the globe. Come early for Welcoming the Refugee, a timely pre-conference (Nov. 9–10) that will lead you to dive deep into this critical global need. For more information or to register with our group, contact Wendy Dempsey.

- **Local Mission Partners**

Tamina Community Center | Conroe, TX  
Montgomery County Women's Center | Montgomery County, TX  
Cornerstone Recovery | The Woodlands, TX  
Interfaith Family Services | The Woodlands, TX  
Pregnancy Assistance Center North | The Woodlands, TX  
Redeemed Ministries | The Woodlands, TX  
Three Local Refugee Pastors: Pastor Thong Lun & Pastor Mang Tiak -Greater Houston Burmese Christian Fellowship, Pastor Bhadra Rai & wife, Ruth -Canaan Bhutanese Church of Houston, Pastor "Andre" Onokoko Shang -International Ministries for the Propagation of the Gospel | Houston, TX  
Blake & Ryan Arnoult | RUF | University of Houston  
Juan Carlos & Samara Martínez | RUF | Rice University  
Ben & Beth Hailey | RUF | Texas A&M University  
Dennis & Jane Hermerding | King's Cross Church | Cypress, TX  
Leo & Ellen Schuster | City Church | Houston, TX  
Curtis & Marian Castleberry | Oaklawn Presbyterian Church | Houston, TX  
Grace Presbyterian Diaconate

- **National Mission Partners**

Way & Amy Rutherford | RUF | Baylor University  
John & Chrissy Trapp | RUF | University of Texas  
Ryan & Laura Anderson | RUF | Texas Christian University  
Michael & Rachel Novak | RUF | Trinity University  
Nathan & Falon Moretto | New City Presbyterian Church | Royal Oak, MI  
David & Kelly Richter | Christ the King Presbyterian Church | Somerville, MA  
Francis A. Schaeffer Institute | Covenant Theological Seminary | Saint Louis, MO  
Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) | Atlanta, GA

- **International Mission Partners**

Jason & Sarah Pickard | RUF International | Texas A&M University  
Bojan & Julia Dragičević | RUF International | University of Texas  
Joe & Felicity Congdon | MTW | Toyosu, Tokyo, Japan  
Charlie & Bonita Davidson | MTW | Monterrey, Mexico

Andy & Missy Shadburne | MTW | Fremantle, Perth, Australia  
David & Eowyn Stoddard | MTW | Berlin, Germany  
Arab Baptist Theological Seminary | Beirut, Lebanon  
Mission to The World (MTW) | Atlanta, GA

**Stewardship Update:** Grace thanks you so much for your generous gifts and offerings to our Savior for May 2017.

	May	YTD
Projected Budget	61,500	307,500
Actual General Fund	47,258	298,849
Variance	(14,242)	(8,651)

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Name & Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse & Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Children & Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please let us know if you are:

- Visitor                       Regular Attendee                       One time visit from out of town

I am interested in learning about:

- Community Groups     Music                       Usher, Greeter                       Sunday Volunteer  
 Children's Ministry     Women's Ministry                       Student Ministry                       Men's Ministry

Prayer Request:

- I would like the prayer team to pray for the following needs or concerns:

- I would like to speak with someone about this prayer request or other spiritual concern; please have someone contact me at: \_\_\_\_\_.

*Prayer of Belief...*

*Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more  
sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am  
more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope.*

*I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, bearing my  
punishment and offering forgiveness.*

*Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn  
from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.*