

Confession of Faith: *Nicene Creed (325 & 381 A.D.)*

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

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the 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 sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Pastoral and Congregational Prayer Elder Dave Nolen

Choral Anthem: “For the Bread Which Thou Hast Broken” arr. William Roberts

*For the bread, which thou hast broken, for the wine which thou hast poured,
For the words, which thou hast spoken, now we give thee thanks, O Lord.
By this pledge that thou dost love us, by thy gift of peace restored,
By thy call to heaven above us, hallow all our lives, O Lord.
In thy service, Lord defend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward
In the world where thou dost send us, let thy kingdom come, O Lord.*

Children ages K3 through K4 may be dismissed to go to Children’s Church.

The Preaching of God’s Word: 1 Samuel 17 (*ESV*) Elliott Everitt

“Of Giants and Men”

The Lord’s Supper

“Bread of the World in Mercy Broken” - #425

Bread of the world in mercy broken, wine of the soul in mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken and in whose death our sins are dead.

Look on the heart by sorrow broken, look on the tears by sinners shed;
And be thy feast to us the token that by thy grace our souls are fed.

“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”

1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our vic - to - rious King,
who has washed us in the tide flow - ing from his pierc - ed side;
praise we him whose love di - vine gives us sa - cred blood for_ wine,
gives his bod - y for the feast, Christ the_ vic - tim, Christ the priest.

Where the paschal blood is poured, death’s dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel’s hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, paschal victim, paschal bread;
With sincerity and love eat we manna from above

Mighty victim from the sky, pow’rs of hell beneath thee lie;
Death is conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light:
Hymns of glory and of praise, risen Lord, to thee we raise;
Holy Father, praise to thee, with the Spirit, ever be.

The Worship of God with Our Tithes and Offerings

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. Amen.

Benediction

small group fellowship

Meeting Places this Evening

Allison - Nolen Group
5:30 p.m. – Meeting at home of Nick and Jen Fritzkee, 202 Willow Bend Drive

Clayton - Jackson Small Group
5:30 p.m. – Meeting at home of Charles and Carolyn Clayton, 105 Oakmont Rd.

Craven - Heard Small Group
5:00 p.m. – Meeting at the church

Joe - Turnage Small Group
5:30 p.m. – Meeting at home of Johnny and LeeAnn Joe, 201 Honeysuckle Lane

Thomas – Wagner Small Group
5:30 p.m. - Meeting at the church

Nursery is provided here at the church from 5:15 – 7:15 p.m.

the week at grace

Bible Readings for Next Week’s Sermon

Leviticus 18:20; Matthew 5:27-30; 15:19; 1 Corinthians 6:12 – 7:9; 1 Peter 2:11;
Proverbs 6:27-29; 7:6-27; Hebrews 13:4; Ephesians 5:3; Job 31:1; Psalm 51;
2 Timothy 2:13

Birthdays This Week

J.T. Allen – May 14
Allie Wall – May 14
Jenna Hersey – May 15
Ed Roberts – May 15
John Wilson Hutchins – May 18

Today

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. The Worship of God
5:30 p.m. Small Group Fellowship

Monday

7:00 p.m. Trail Life

Wednesday

5:45 p.m. Hour of Prayer
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Next Sunday

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. The Worship of God
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Sunday School Teachers

2 and 3 year olds - Amelia Nolen
Pre-K and Kindergarten - Carolyn Clayton
1st and 2nd grades – Kelley Murphree, Emily Sanders and Mollie Schmidt
3rd - 5th grades boys – Nathan Holman
3rd - 5th grades girls – Rachel Wall and Jeannie Turnage
Youth (6th - 12th grades) – Jason and Jennifer Krutz
Adult/College Class – Jon Barlow

Volunteers for Today

Nursery – Jenna Jackson
Children’s Church – Rachel Wall
Deacon of the Week – Jonathan Adams
Ushers – John Hutchins, John Paxton and Leighton Spann

Volunteers for Next Sunday

Nursery – Evelyn Taylor
Children’s Church – Jeannie Turnage
Deacon of the Week – Tom Jackson
Ushers – John Hutchins, John Paxton and Leighton Spann

mission spotlight

French Camp Academy

In 1885 a group of Presbyterian missionaries established a school, The MS Institute for Girls, at French Camp, MS. It was so successful, a school for boys was started later that year. It was named French Camp Academy. Today it is an interdenominational ministry that provides a Christ-centered home and school to serve young people and families for the glory of God. The academy provides a full slate of extracurricular activities, including team sports, an equine program, choral music, art and theater. Their desire is to see young people mature academically, athletically, socially and emotionally, all within a Christian worldview

announcements

Welcome Visitors - Please take a moment to complete the Visitor Welcome card located on the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate as it is passed. If you are looking for a church, we invite you to make Grace your church home. If you are from out of town, we hope you will worship with us whenever you are in the area.

Small Groups – Small Group is a great place for lasting friendships, ministry and spiritual growth. They meet the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month in homes and at the church. We encourage everyone to be involved in one, if possible. A nursery is provided here at the church from 5:15 to 7:15 p.m. For more information, speak with the pastor, one of the elders or call the church office (662-324-0180).

Rescue 100 - There is a shortage of foster homes in Mississippi. A need exists for temporary, safe and loving homes for the foster children. Rescue 100 is a collaborative effort between the Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services, the courts and churches. These organizations work together to streamline the training and licensing process for foster families. A Rescue 100 licensure training event scheduled for September 15 in Starkville. A prior Vision Meeting is scheduled for June 19, tentatively schedule in Starkville at the Mill from 10-11 am. For more information, contact Samantha Crimm at 601-896-8677. <https://www.mdcp.ms.gov/rescue100/>

Wednesday Night Hour of Prayer – Prayer is needed for each person, family and ministry of Grace and also for lifting up Christ in our church, in Starkville, the nation and the world. We invite you to join us this week at 5:45 p.m. in the conference room.

Come be a part of the Grace Music Team! Weekly rehearsals of our choir are held on Wednesday nights at 7 p.m. For more information about the choir or our instrumental music team, please contact Cliff Taylor at ctaylor@pcagrace.org.

Nursery – We welcome your infants and toddlers in the worship service and in the church nursery where we provide a safe, nurturing and friendly environment.

Children’s Sunday School – We encourage you to bring your children to Sunday School where we seek to shepherd every child toward a growing faith in Jesus Christ.

Adult and College Sunday School – Sunday School is a place within the larger body of Christ where people are prayed for and cared for, where biblical community is experienced, and a place where new people are welcomed and can develop relationship in our church family. We invite you to join us each Sunday morning at 9:45 in the Fellowship Hall.

The Grace Presbyterian Church Library Catalog for Books is available on our church website. Visit our website at www.pcagrace.org.

Assisted Hearing Devices - Grace Presbyterian Church offers assisted hearing devices for the morning worship service. They are located in the decorative box on the entryway table beside the bulletins. If interested, please speak with Ben Ardahl, 662-312-8407 or ardahlbe@bellsouth.net.

Please, no food or drinks in the sanctuary. Thank you.

church missions & benevolences

Please write to encourage them, and pray for them.

Local Missions

RUF – Mississippi State University
Elliott Everitt – Campus Minister, RUF MSU (elliott.everitt@ruf.org)
Allie Harmon – Intern, RUF MSU (allie.harmon@ruf.org)
Ward Evans – Intern, RUF MSU (ward.evans@ruf.org)
Wilson and Callie West – Covenant Theological Seminary
Starkville Pregnancy Care Center (info@starkvillepregnancycenter.com)
Deacons’ Fund * Trail Life USA * Mission Sundays * Casserole Kitchen

Regional Missions

Covenant Presbytery (covpressc@gmail.com)
Palmer Home for Children (tharris@palmerhome.org)
Disaster Response Ministry * French Camp Academy

National Missions

Mark Casson – Metanoia Prison Ministries (mcasson@pcanet.org)
Anna Grider – RUF East Carolina University (anna.grider@ruf.org)
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PCA General Assembly

International Missions

Betsy Aeschliman – MTW Medical (betsy.c@comcast.net)
Dale and Susan Ellison – Peru Mission (daleellison@hotmail.com)
Richard and Brenda Harman – Wycliffe Bible Translators (richard_harman@wycliffe.org)
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Craig and Stacy Pohl – MTW Santiago, Chile (cpohl@mtwsa.org)
Alex and Irina Ponomarev – Ministry to Slavic Tribes (alex.most@juno.com)
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servant leadership

The Staff

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The Session (Board of Elders)

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| Bill Heard, Moderator | Timothy Allison | Charles Clayton |
| Anthony Craven | Johnny Joe | David Nolen, Clerk |
| Kenneth Thomas | | |

The Diaconate

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| Jonathan Adams | Tom Jackson | Logan Link | Harold Mashburn |
| Jason Townsend | Gray Turnage | Terry Wagner | |

Treasurer

Dennis Baird

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, May 13, 2018, 10:50 a.m.

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Visitors, please fill out a Welcome Card and place it in the offering plate.

Choral Call to Worship: “Worship Christ, the Risen King!” - # 286 v 1

Rise, O, Church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell.
Sing as all the earth rejoices; resurrection anthems swell.
Come and worship, come and worship; worship Christ, the Risen King!

Prayer

Call to Worship: Psalm 65:1, 9-13 (ESV) Responsively

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion,

And to you shall vows be performed.

You visit the earth and water it;
You greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water;
You provide their grain, for so you have prepared it.
You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges,
Softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.

**You crown the year with your bounty;
Your wagon tracks overflow with abundance.
The pastures of the wilderness overflow,
The hills gird themselves with joy,
The meadows clothe themselves with flocks,
The valleys deck themselves with grain,
They shout and sing together for joy.**

“For the Beauty of the Earth” -#116 vv 1, 2, 4, 5

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies;
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flow’r, sun and moon and stars of light,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely giv’n,
Graces human and divine, flow’rs of earth and buds of heav’n,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

“Psalm 138” (Tune: “Gift of Love”)

With all my heart my thanks I’ll bring, before the gods Thy praises sing;
I’ll worship in Thy holy place and praise Thy name for truth and grace.

For Thou above Thy name adored hast magnified Thy faithful word.
The day I called Thy help appeared; with inward strength my soul was cheered.

Through trouble though my pathway be, Thou wilt revive and comfort me.
Thine outstretched hand Thou wilt oppose against the wrath of all my foes.

Thy hand, O Lord shall set me free and perfect what concerneth me;
Thy mercy, Lord, forever stands; Leave not the work of Thine own hands.