

What is Grace Reformed Presbyterian Church?

GRPC is a *Bible-believing* Church. We hold that the Bible is the infallible, inerrant Word of God. We hold to the truths that God's Word teaches us: that God created man, that man fell into sin, that Jesus Christ came to save those whom God has called His own, and that one day He will return again.

GRPC is a *Reformed* Church. Our heritage traces back to the practice and teaching of the churches of the Sixteenth Century Protestant Reformation.

GRPC is a *confessional* Church. We hold to the system of doctrine contained in the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Larger and Shorter Catechisms.

GRPC is an *Orthodox Presbyterian* Church. "Ortho" comes from the Greek language and means "straight." "Dox" is also a Greek term and means "thinking." "Presbyterian" is derived from another Greek word, "Presbuteros," meaning elder. GRPC is governed by a Session of Elders, whose primary task is to care for the spiritual well-being of her members.



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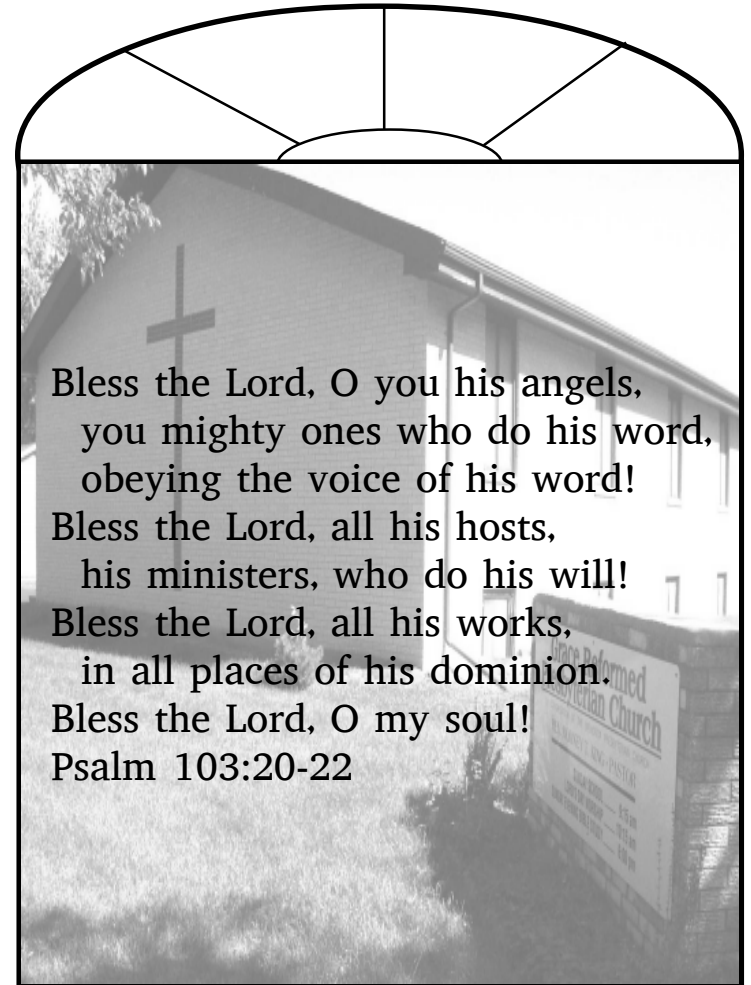
Worship: 10:15 AM
Bible Study 6:00 PM
Sunday School for all ages: 9:15 AM

Our Officers:

Rev. Rodney T. King, Pastor 276-5439
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Church website: Gracereformed.org
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Denominational website: opc.org

GRACE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 14, 2008



Bless the Lord, O you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his word,
obeying the voice of his word!
Bless the Lord, all his hosts,
his ministers, who do his will!
Bless the Lord, all his works,
in all places of his dominion.
Bless the Lord, O my soul!
Psalm 103:20-22

Morning Worship

December 14, 2008

God Calls Us to Worship

Psalm 103:20-22

We Bring Our Hearts to Him in Prayer

God Greets us with Blessing

We Sing Praise to God

Hymn 374 *Jesus shall reign*

God Calls us to Confess our Sins

Jeremiah 17:9-10

The heart is deceitful above all things,
and desperately sick;
who can understand it?

“I the Lord search the heart
and test the mind,

to give every man according to his ways,
according to the fruit of his deeds.”

We Confess Our Sin in Prayer

God Gives Assurance of Grace

Psalm 32:1-2

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man against whom the Lord

The Tree

John 12:27 (20-36)

I. The Purpose of the Incarnation

A. Multiple Indicators

B. Divine Necessity and Intent

II. The Glory of the Shame

A. The Shame of the Birth

B. The Glory of that Shame

1. The Origins of Grace

2. The Purpose

3. The Fruit

III. The Call to Our Purpose

A. Not for Occasional Celebration

B. Life of Carrying

Evening Service

Hymn 151 *O come, all ye faithful*

Opening Prayer

Congregational Hymn Selection

Prayer Requests

Prayer of Intercession

Message: “The God of Truth”

Hymn 446 *That man is blest*

Announcements

We welcome all who come with us today to worship our God. May this service be pleasing to God and spiritually profitable to us all.

In our worship this morning, we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. We invite all who are communicants in good standing in any evangelical church to join with us in this activity of worship. Following this worship, we will have a fellowship dinner, after which we will have our annual Congregational Meeting.

The Session has called for a Congregational Meeting for 2:00 p.m. on December 14, 2008, for the following purposes:

1. To hear the annual report of the Trustees regarding the state of the denomination.
2. To hear the annual financial report from the deacons.
3. To vote upon proposed changes in the Pastors' terms of call.
4. To vote on amending the bylaws.
5. To consider any other items germane.

(Note: The financial report of the Deacons, together with their proposal for the changes in the calls, is available on the bulletin table.)

We will also hear a brief report on our daughter church in Pella before the actual Congregational Meeting begins.

counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

We Bring God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Psalm 104:24

O Lord, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom have you made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

We Sing in Gratitude to God

Hymn 148 *Comfort, comfort ye my people*

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Isaiah 52:7-53:6

We Go to God in Corporate Prayer

God Speaks to Us through Proclamation

"The Tree" John 12:27

We Approach the Table in Song

Hymn 271 *How sweet and awful is the place*

We Partake of the Body and Blood

We Respond in Song to God

Hymn 145 *Come, thou long expected Jesus*

Benediction