

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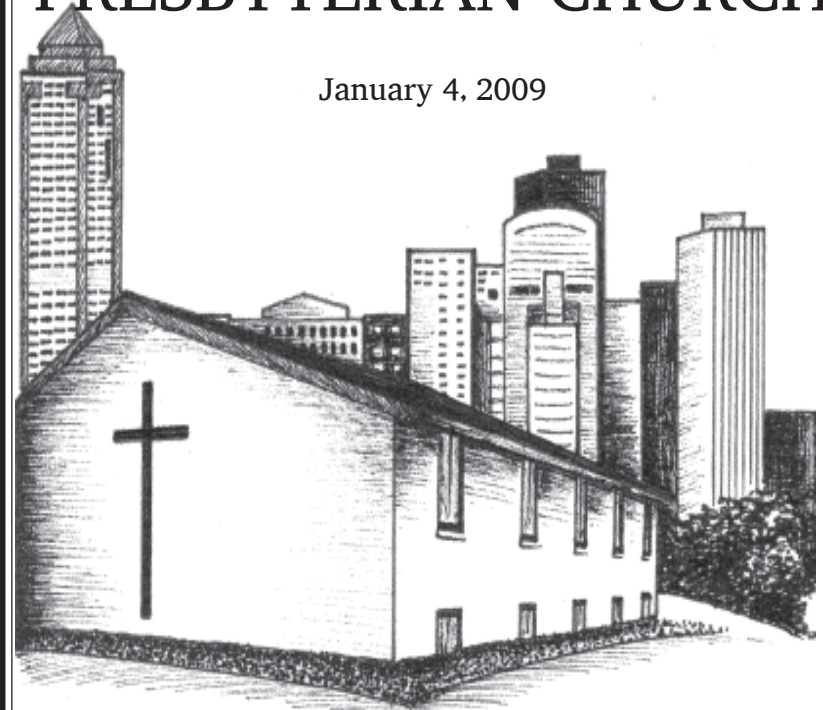
Worship: 10:15 AM
Bible Study 6:00 PM
Sunday School for all ages: 9:15 AM

Our Officers:

Rev. Rodney T. King, Pastor 276-5439
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GRACE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 4, 2009



Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,
who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love
and mercy,
who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like
the eagle's.
Psalm 103:1-5

Morning Worship

January 4, 2009

God Calls Us to Worship

Psalm 103:1-5

We Bring Our Hearts to Him in Prayer

God Greets us with Blessing

We Sing Praise to God

Hymn 16 *Praise the Lord*

God Calls us to Confess our Sins

Isaiah 45:22-25

“Turn to me and be saved,
all the ends of the earth!

For I am God, and there is no other.

By myself I have sworn; from my mouth has gone out
in righteousness a word that shall not return:

“To me every knee shall bow,
every tongue shall swear allegiance.”

“Only in the Lord, it shall be said of me,
are righteousness and strength;

to him shall come and be ashamed all
who were incensed against him.

In the Lord all the offspring of Israel shall be justified
and shall glory.”

We Confess Our Sin in Prayer

God Gives Assurance of Grace

Isaiah 40:9-11

Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion,
herald of good news;

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.

We extend our sincere sympathy to Mike Stoppel in the death this week of his father Duane.

This morning, our Sunday School students will recite the catechism they have memorized. Let's continue to encourage this exercise; God's truth is being etched into their memories.

The portions for recitation today are:

L'il ones: Children's Catechism 1-6

Bigger l'il ones: Children's Catechism 42-43

Grizzled veteran catechumens: WSC 77-79

Evening Service

Hymn 89 *Come, thou Almighty King*

Opening Prayer

Congregational Hym Selection

Prayer Requests

Prayer of Intercession

Message: The Triune God

Hymn 87 *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Just, not Fair
Romans 9:10-18

The objection is raised to the doctrines of sovereign grace: "That's not fair!"

I. Freedom in Mercy

A. Positively Asserted

B. Specifically Denied to Man's Determination

1. Not desires

2. Not efforts

C. Concluding Re-Affirmation

II. Freedom in Severity

A. God's Providence

B. God's Immediate Purpose

C. God's Ultimate Purpose

Concluding Repetition

Has God shown you mercy? Rejoice in His grace.

Has God not yet shown you mercy? Flee to Him.

lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem,
herald of good news;
lift it up, fear not;
say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!"
Behold, the Lord God comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
behold, his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.
He will tend his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms;
he will carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead those that are with young.

We Respond in Song to God

Hymn 50 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

We Bring God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Psalm 37:39

The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord;
he is their stronghold in the time of trouble.

We Sing in Gratitude to God

Hymn 94 *Whate'er my God ordains is right*

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Exodus 33:7-23

We Go to God in Corporate Prayer

God Speaks to Us through Proclamation

Romans 9:14-18 "Just, Not Fair"

We Close in Song to God

Hymn 96 *'Tis not that I did choose thee*

Benediction