

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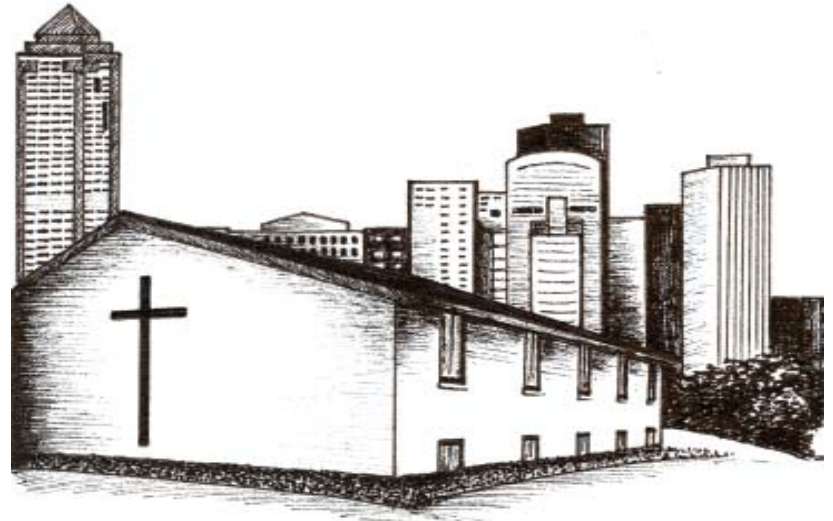
Worship: 10:15 AM  
Bible Study 6:00 PM  
Sunday School for all ages: 9:15 AM

### Our Officers:

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

January 11, 2009



Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.  
Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;  
worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.

Psalm 29:1-2

# Morning Worship

January 11, 2009

God Calls Us to Worship

Psalm 29:1-2

We Bring Our Hearts to Him in Prayer

God Greets us with Blessing

We Sing Praise to God

Hymn 13 *O worship the King*

God Calls us to Confess our Sins

Psalm 2

Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain?

The kings of the earth set themselves,  
and the rulers take counsel together,

against the Lord and against his anointed, saying,

“Let us burst their bonds apart  
and cast away their cords from us.”

He who sits in the heavens laughs;  
the Lord holds them in derision.

Then he will speak to them in his wrath,  
and terrify them in his fury, saying,

“As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill.”

I will tell of the decree:

The Lord said to me, “You are my Son;  
today I have begotten you.

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,  
and the ends of the earth your possession.

You shall break them with a rod of iron  
and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”

# Evening Service

Hymn 88 *Father of heav’n*

Opening Prayer

Congregational Hymn Selection

Prayer Requests

Prayer of Intercession

Message: “The Triune God”

Hymn 89 *Come, thou Almighty King*

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## 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.

2HS will be meeting this Wednesday at 7:00, Lord willing.

The Diaconate will have their regular meeting this Wednesday at 7:00, and the Session will be having their regular meeting this Saturday at 10:30.

Aaron and Sarah Neely joyfully announce the arrival of Michael Joseph Neely, II. Little Mike arrived Wednesday shortly after noon. All are doing well.

## We Go to God in Corporate Prayer

### God Speaks to Us through Proclamation

Romans 9:18-24

#### “A Familiar Question”

### We Close in Song to God

Hymn 402 *Amazing Grace*

### Benediction

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#### A Familiar Question

Romans 9:19-23

“How can you defend your doctrines of ‘election’ and ‘sovereignty’? If God is in absolute control, how can He condemn men for their sins?”

#### I. The Grounds of the Question

A. Divine Sovereignty

B. Election

C. Human Accountability

Paul does NOT “correct” the theological assumptions such a question rests upon.

#### II. The Rebuke

A. From God, not Men

B. No Injustice

#### III. The Question Assumption Corrected

A. Commonality of Mankind

B. Suited to Judgement or Mercy

C. God is Free to Choose

#### IV. Selective Salvation Defended

A. The Display of God’s Wrath

B. The Display of God’s Power

C. The Display of God’s Mercy

Now therefore, O kings, be wise;

be warned, O rulers of the earth.

Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

Kiss the Son,

lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,

for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

### We Confess Our Sin in Prayer

### God Gives Assurance of Grace

Psalm 34:4-8

I sought the Lord, and he answered me

and delivered me from all my fears.

Those who look to him are radiant,

and their faces shall never be ashamed.

This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him

and saved him out of all his troubles.

The angel of the Lord encamps

around those who fear him, and delivers them.

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!

Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

### We Respond in Song to God

Hymn 77 *The Lord’s my Shepherd*

### Tithe and Our Offerings

Psalm 34:10

The young lions suffer want and hunger;

but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

### We Sing in Gratitude to God

Hymn 58 *The Lord is King!*

### God Speaks to Us through His Word

Isaiah 29:13-24