

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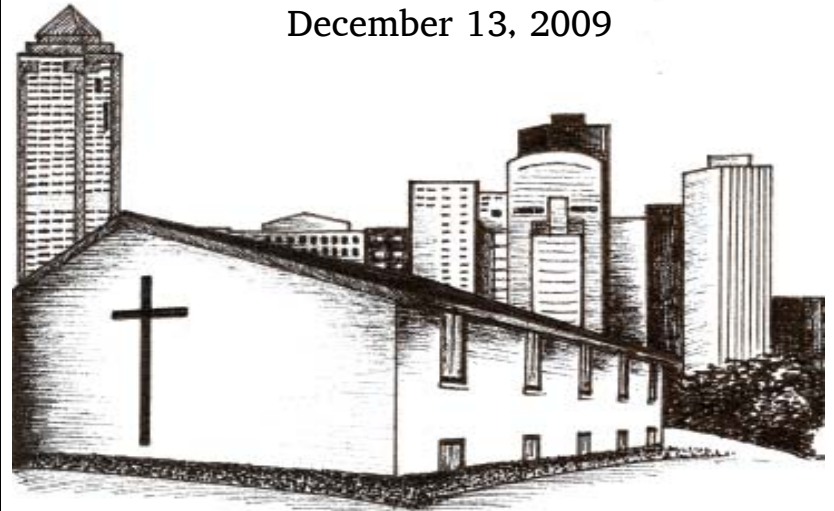
Worship: 10:15 AM  
Bible Study 6:00 PM  
Sunday School for all ages: 9:15 AM

### Our Officers:

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

December 13, 2009



O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God;  
sing praises to the Lord,  
Selah to him who rides in the heavens,  
the ancient heavens;  
behold, he sends out his voice,  
his mighty voice.  
Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over  
Israel,  
and whose power is in the skies.  
Awesome is God from his sanctuary;  
the God of Israel-  
he is the one who gives power and strength  
to his people.  
Blessed be God!  
Psalm 68:32-35

# Morning Worship

December 13, 2009

## God Calls Us to Worship

Psalm 68:32-35

## We Bring Our Hearts to Him in Prayer

## God Greets us with Blessing

## We Sing Praise to God

Hymn 61 *Rejoice, ye people*

## God Calls us to Confess our Sins

Isaiah 40:3-5

A voice cries:

“In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord;  
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.  
Every valley shall be lifted up,  
and every mountain and hill be made low;  
the uneven ground shall become level,  
and the rough places a plain.  
And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,  
and all flesh shall see it together,  
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”

## We Confess Our Sin in Prayer

## God Gives Assurance of Grace

Isaiah 41:8-10

But you, Israel, my servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen,  
the offspring of Abraham, my friend;  
you whom I took from the ends of the earth,  
and called from its farthest corners, saying to you,  
“You are my servant, I have chosen you and not cast  
you off”;

## God and Me

Psalm 139

The glorious nature of God is mind boggling in its majesty.

*“Divine truths look full as well when they are prayed over, as when they are preached over; and much better than when they are disputed over.” Matthew Henry*

### I. Omniscience - “total knowledge”

- A. God knows me entirely.
- B. God knows everything I do.
- C. God knows what I am going to say.
- D. There are consequences to this thought.

### II. Omnipresence - the quality of being present in all places at all times.

- A. I can't run away from God anywhere.
- B. I can't hide from God.

### III. Omnipotence - “all power”

- A. God made me.
- B. God determined my whole life.

The Christian Response:

What a wonderful God!

I hate evil!

Make me pure!

*“The actual, constant consideration of God's presence would be the readiest way in the world to make sin to cease from among the children of men, and for men to approach to the blessed estate of the saints in heaven, who cannot sin, for they always walk in the presence, and behold the face of God.” Bishop Taylor*

# 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.

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in our morning Worship service. Come prepared for this great privilege.

Following the service, we will enjoy a Fellowship Dinner. At 1:30, we will go to our Annual Congregational Meeting and will also hear a progress report from our Pella mission church. We will have our dessert following the meeting, so that we can fellowship at leisure.

The session has called for a congregational meeting of Grace Reformed Presbyterian Church on Sunday, December 13, 2006, at 1:30 pm for the following purposes:

1. To receive the report from the Trustees on the state of the denomination.
2. To hear the annual financial report from the deacons.
3. To vote upon changes in the Pastors' terms of call, if any. Information will be provided by the deacons prior to the meeting
4. To consider any other items germane.

fear not, for I am with you;  
be not dismayed, for I am your God;  
I will strengthen you, I will help you,  
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

We Respond in Song to God

Hymn 135 *I greet thee*

Tithe and Our Offerings

Psalm 37:25

I have been young,  
and now am old,  
yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken  
or his children begging for bread.

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Acts 4:13-31

We Go to God in Corporate Prayer

God Speaks to Us through Proclamation

Psalm 139

“God and Me”

We Approach the Table with Song

Hymn 68 *Not unto us*

We Celebrate the Sacrament of  
the Lord's Supper

We Close in Song to God

Hymn 35 *Immortal, invisible*

Benediction