



GRACE
REFORMED
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, April 26, 2026
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Vision Statement:

A multi-generational community of saints, living as a unified body in covenant with Christ, and joyfully advancing the Kingdom of God for His glory

Mission Statement:

Calling and equipping families to boldly worship Jesus by discipling them in the whole counsel of God's word

Call to Worship:

Ps 118:1-4

Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; For His mercy is everlasting. Let Israel say, "His mercy is everlasting." Oh let the house of Aaron say, "His mercy is everlasting." Let those who ^[a]fear the LORD say, "His mercy is everlasting."

SONG OF ADORATION:

"How Firm A Foundation"

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand."

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress."

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine."

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake!"

Our Confession of Sin:

2 Tim 2:12-13

For if we died with Him, we will also live with Him; If we endure, we will also reign with Him; If we deny Him, He will also deny us; If we are faithless, He remains faithful, for He cannot deny Himself.

HIS ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

“And Can it Be”

And can it be that I should gain
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
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He left His Father's throne above,
So free, so infinite His grace;
Emptied Himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race:
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me.
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For, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness Divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.
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PREACHING OF HIS WORD

Shepherd the Flock of God Among You 1 Tim 3:1-7

3 It is a trustworthy statement: if any man aspires to the office of ^[a]overseer, *it is* a fine work he desires *to do*. ² ^[b]An overseer, then, must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, ^[c]temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, skillful in teaching, ³ not overindulging in wine, not ^[d]a bully, but gentle, not contentious, free from the love of money. ⁴ *He must be* one who manages his own household well, keeping his children under control with all dignity ⁵ (but if a man does not know how to manage his own household, how will he take care of the church of God?), ⁶ *and* not a new convert, so that he will not become conceited and fall into condemnation ^[e]incurred by the devil. ⁷ And he must have a good reputation with those outside *the church*, so that he will not fall into ^[f]disgrace and the snare of the devil.

Sermon Notes

GRBC BYLAWS

Article III: Leadership

(B) Qualifications: The Elders must be men who are members of the Church and who meet the biblical qualifications provided in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:6-9. All elders must subscribe to the Church's Statement of Beliefs, provided above.

(C) Duties, Responsibilities and Powers: Christ is the Head of the Church and rules through His undershepherds, the elders, who provide oversight in the spiritual and temporal affairs of the Church. Elders must study the word of God, pray, teach, and shepherd the church. The Board of Elders is the final earthly authority in matters of Church governance and interpretation of the Constitution and Bylaws. The elders establish the vision and mission of the church, which can be changed only with their unanimous consent. (Acts 6:4, 20:28, Col. 1:18, Eph. 1:22, 1 Tim. 3:2, 5:17, 1 Pet. 5:2-4, Titus 1:9, Hebrews 13:17)

RESPONSE OF PRAISE: "Christ is Mine Forevermore"

Mine are days that God has numbered
I was made to walk with Him
Yet I look for worldly treasure
And forsake the King of kings
But mine is hope in my Redeemer
Though I fall, His love is sure
For Christ has paid for every failing
I am His forevermore

Mine are tears in times of sorrow
Darkness not yet understood
Through the valley, I must travel
Where I see no earthly good
But mine is peace that flows from heaven
And the strength in times of need
I know my pain will not be wasted
Christ completes His work in me

Mine are days here as a stranger
Pilgrim on a narrow way
One with Christ I will encounter
Harm and hatred for His name
But mine is armour for this battle
Strong enough to last the war
And He has said He will deliver
Safely to the golden shore

Come rejoice now, O my soul
For His love is my reward. X 2
Fear is gone and hope is sure
Christ is mine forevermore!

And mine are keys to Zion city
Where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine forevermore

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Collection of Offering: For members of GRBC, giving is an act of worship. As believers in Jesus Christ, we should give with grateful hearts, not under compulsion. We are not “buying” our salvation but simply giving to help make disciples and advance His Kingdom.



Communion: Please worship God in partaking of communion only if you are a follower of Jesus and not living in consistent unrepentant sin. We are reminded of how Christ died for our sins so that we can spend eternity in Heaven with him. Both wine and grape juice are available.

Family-Integrated Worship: Ps 127:3a “Behold, children are a gift from the Lord.” They may be loud at times but we believe scripture instructs parents to teach their kids how to worship. We do have a mother’s room available in the back left.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No Community Group this Tuesday, May 5th. Join us here next Tuesday 6:00-8:00 for food and fellowship.

Men’s Bible study on Psalms every Friday morning at 6:30 at McDonalds on 301 in Mechanicsville. This week: Psalm 3.

Youth for 6th grade and up meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. Contact Matt Stewart for details.

Thank you for joining us at Grace Reformed Baptist Church.



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