

# GRACE



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The Lord's Day Worship  
December 15, 2013

Pianist  
Announcements and Welcome

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## Called by God

Silent Preparation for Worship

### \* Call to Worship

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
(Matthew 28:19)

**Amen.**

Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. (1 Timothy 1:2)

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you. Amen!** (cf. Ruth 2:4)

Let us worship God.

And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" (Isaiah 6:3 ESV)

**And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"** (Revelation 4:8 ESV)

Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them up to the LORD! Amen!**

\* # 101 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

\* Invocation and Lord's Prayer

\* # 731 "Doxology"

## Cleansed by God

God's Law-Word for His People:

"You shall have no other gods before me." (Exodus 20:3)

**"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."** (Matthew 6:33)

"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the

iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.”

(Exodus 20:4-6)

**“You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophecy of you, when he said: ‘This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’”** (Matthew 15:7-9)

“You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.”

(Exodus 20:7)

**“Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.’ But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King.”**

(Matthew 5:33-35)

“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.”

(Exodus 20:8-11)

**“For the Son of Man is lord of the Sabbath.”** (Matthew 12:8)

“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.”

(Exodus 20:12)

**“For God commanded, ‘Honor your father and your mother,’ and ‘whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ But you say, ‘If anyone tells his father or his mother, ‘What you would have gained from me is given to God,’ he need not honor his father.’ So for the sake of your tradition you have made void the word of God.”**

(Matthew 15:4-6)

“You shall not murder.”

(Exodus 20:13)

**“You have heard it said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’ But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be liable to the hell of fire.”**

(Matthew 5: 21-22)

“You shall not commit adultery.”

(Exodus 20:14)

**“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’  
But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful  
intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart.”**

(Matthew 5:27-28)

**“You shall not steal.”** (Exodus 20:15)

**“But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know  
what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret.  
And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.”**

(Matthew 6:3-4)

**“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.”** (Exodus 20:16)

**“Let what you say be simply ‘Yes’ or ‘No’; anything more than  
this comes from evil.”** (Matthew 5:37)

**“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your  
neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or  
his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”**

(Exodus 20:17)

**“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and  
rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for  
yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust  
destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where  
your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”**

(Matthew 6:19-21)

Consider the words of the Psalmist as we approach the Lord with  
silent prayer of confession and repentance. “As far as the east is  
from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.”

(Psalm 103:12)

### *Silent prayers of confession and repentance*

Assurance of Forgiveness for God’s People – John 3:14-18

Receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ you are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God. Amen!**

Matthew 5:13-16

\* # 196 “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

### **Consecrated by God**

The Old Testament Lesson: Zechariah 8:1-8

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

The Epistle Lesson: Titus 2:1-8

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

\* The Gospel Lesson: Luke 2:25-38

This is the gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

The Sermon Text: Psalm 90

*Reverend Charles McIlhenny*

Sermon: "Do You Have Your Spiritual Bucket List Ready?"

Prayer of Application

\* # 30 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

## **Communion with God**

The Prayers of God's People

\* # 212 "Within a Crib My Savior Lay"

Confessing the Faith Together

The Apostles' Creed – Front Inside Cover of Hymnal



Come  
to the  
LORD's  
Table

### **Invitation to the Lord's Supper**

You are cordially invited to participate in the Lord's Supper if you are a believer in Christ, have been baptized, are a communicant member in a Bible-believing church, and regularly attend church worship. We use wine in our celebration of the Lord's Supper.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Distribution of Bread # 205 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Distribution of Wine # 210 "Silent Night! Holy Night!"

## **Commissioned by God**

\* # 364 "Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds"

\* Benediction

### **Our Tithes and Offerings to God**

An integral part of our worship is to bring God a token of our increase. Your tithes and offerings may be placed in the small box at the back of the room. As we will give thanks to God for his gifts *during* the service, we encourage you to make your offering *before* the service.



### **Nursery**

Nursery is provided for children under 3 from the sermon through the remainder of the worship service. The nursery is located across the breezeway. (Nursery Worker Today: Susan Wood)

<i>Refreshments</i>	Today	Susan Wood
	December 22	Tuggy Family
	December 29	Thibault Family
	January 5	TBD
	<i>Lord's Supper</i>	<i>Usher</i>
December	Lorien Tuggy	Glen & Vicki Tuggy
January	Icela Szeneri	Jan Szeneri



### **Today**

- 11:00 am Fellowship Break
- 11:30 am Sunday School for Adults
- 11:30 am Children's Christmas Program Practice
- 5:30 pm Children's Christmas Program

### **This Week**

- Thursday 7:30 pm Prayer Meeting at the Thibaults' Home
- Saturday 4:30 pm Women's Christmas Party at Judith's Home

### **Next Sunday** (December 22)

- 9:30 am Elder David Thibault will fill the pulpit, Reverend Chuck McIlhenny will administer the Lord's Supper
- 11:30 am Card Making for Royale Outing
- 4:00 pm Christmas Caroling at Royale
- 5:30 pm Faith Family at the Andruss' Home

### **Upcoming**

- January 2 Prayer Meeting at the Tuggys' Home
- January 5 Service at Royale (2:00 pm)
- January 7 Session Meeting at the Andruss' Home
- January 20 Outreach Car-Wash
- January 25 Women's Meeting
- January 28 Outreach Committee Meeting at the Szeneris' Home
- February 2 Annual Congregational Meeting
- February 14-17 Senior High/Collegian Winter Camp
- February 21-23 Junior High Winter Camp (6<sup>th</sup> grade – 9<sup>th</sup> grade)

