

"He was in the world, and the world
was made through Him, and the world
did not know Him. He came to His own,
and His own did not receive Him.

But as many as received Him,
to them He gave the right to become children
of God, to those who believe in His name;
who were born, not of blood, nor of the will
of the flesh, nor of the will of man,
but of God."

John 1:10 - 13



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Our Weekly Services

Sunday School.....9:30
Sunday Morning Worship11:00
Sunday Evening Worship.....5:30
Wednesday Prayer Meeting.....7:15

We warmly welcome our visitors today. Please complete a Visitor's Card
and place it in the offering plate or in the box located in the foyer. We hope to greet
you in a more personal way following the services.

The Lord's Day

December 11, 2011

Call to Worship

Pastor Andy Dunkerton

Hymn of Praise

**# 129 "Fairest Lord
Jesus" / "Worthy, You
are Worthy"**

Scripture Reading

Acts 26: 1 - 23

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Hymn

"Here is Love"

1. Here is love, wide as the ocean, loving kindness as a flood,
When the Prince of Life, our Ransom shed for us, His precious blood.
Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise?
He can never be forgotten, throughout Heav'n's eternal days.

**Oh, how marvelous, Oh, how glorious, is my Savior's love for me!
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2. On the mount of crucifixion, fountains opened deep and wide;
Through the floodgates of God's mercy, flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love, like mighty rivers, poured incessant from above,
And Heav'n's peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love.

**Oh, how marvelous, Oh, how glorious, is my Savior's love for me!
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3. Of Your fullness You are pouring Your great love on me anew,
Without measure, full and boundless, drawing out my heart to You.
You alone will be my glory, nothing in the world I see,

You have cleansed and sanctified me, You Yourself have set me free.
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Hymn of Preparation

580 "It is Well"

Sermon

Pastor Gary Hendrix

Evening Worship

Call to Worship

Pastor Charles Fortner

Opening Hymn

**# 147 "O Come, O
Come Emmanuel"**

Scripture Reading

Genesis 49: 29 -50:14

Pastoral Prayer

**Offertory/Preparatory Hymn # 145 "Come, Thou Long
Expected Jesus"**

Sermon

Nick Gaines

**Communion Songs
"The Power of the Cross"**

1. O, to see the dawn of the darkest day; Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood.
This the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath; we stand forgiven at the cross.
2. O, to see the pain written on Your face, bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed crowning Your bloodstained brow.
This the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath; we stand forgiven at the cross.
3. Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath quakes as its Maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life – "Finished!" the vic'try cry.
This the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath; we stand forgiven at the cross.
4. O, to see my name written in the wounds, for through Your suff'ring I am free.
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love!
This the pow'r of the cross: Son of God – slain for us.
What a love, what a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.

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178 "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

"In Christ Alone"

1. In Christ alone, my hope is found. He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this Solid Ground; firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace; when fears are stilled,
when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All in All; here in the love of Christ I stand!
2. In Christ alone, Who took on flesh; fullness of God in helpless Babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
'Til on the cross as Jesus died; the wrath of God was satisfied.
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live!
3. There in the ground His body lay. Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ!
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny!
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Til He returns or calls me home; here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

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GRBC Calendar and Announcements

Today

Communion Service tonight

Congregational Meeting tonight - Members and regular attendees are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Adult Chorus Practice, this afternoon, 4:00 pm in the auditorium

Children's Music Practice tonight after the pm service in the auditorium - The practice will last for 20 minutes, (once started.)

Please plan to fellowship in other areas of the building in order for the children to practice without distraction.



December

Men's Action Meeting, 12/15, 7:30 pm

Christmas Song Fellowship & refreshments, 12/18 following the evening service - Please plan to bring your favorite "goodie" to share. Drinks will be provided.

Men's Prayer Meeting, 12/23, 6:30 am - There has been a change in the meeting schedule. You will now meet on the 2nd & 4th Friday of the month.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Ladies' Bible Study - Because of the upcoming holidays, there will not be another study until Jan. 20th.

The Piedmont Rescue Mission will be handing out coats and canned vegetables on Saturday, 12/24, to those in need. Please bring any size coats and canned goods by 12/22, and place them in the boxes of the educational wing foyer. **Also, desserts are needed for the PRM Christmas dinner. These desserts need to be our church kitchen by 3:00 pm on Friday, Dec. 16.** If you have questions, please see Holly Orłowski.

Youth Retreat 2011/Grand Rapids - If you are interested in attending the retreat, please see Jonathan White ASAP!

"Food for the Hungry" - Please visit: fh.org/gracereformed or our website (grbc.net) for information.

Franson's Transportation List - There are ongoing needs to help with transportation for Peter and Joan. Please check the bulletin board list.

*****2012 Family Conference, July 10-13. Information can be found at:
<http://familyconference.grbc.net>*****