



**Sunday Morning Service
September 21, 2025**

O Worship the King

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O Worship the King all glorious above
O gratefully sing His pow'r and His love
Our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm

Chorus

You alone are the matchless King

To You alone be all majesty

Your glories and wonders what tongue can recite?

You breathe in the air

You shine in the light

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain;
And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail
In You do we trust, nor find You to fail;
Your mercies how tender how firm to the end
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

Chorus 2x

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Welcome & Announcements

Confession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism # 88-90

Q. 88. What are the outward and ordinary means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption?

A. The outward and ordinary means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption, are His ordinances, especially the word, sacraments, and prayer; all which are made effectual to the elect for salvation.

Q. 89. How is the word made effectual to salvation?

A. The Spirit of God makes the reading, but especially the preaching, of the word, an effectual means of convincing and converting sinners, and of building them up in holiness and comfort, through faith, unto salvation.

Q. 90. How is the word to be read and heard, that it may become effectual to salvation?

A. That the word may become effectual to salvation, we must attend thereunto with diligence, preparation and prayer; receive it with faith and love, lay it up in our hearts, and practice it in our lives.

Memory Verse

Isaiah 52:7

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

Call to Worship & Prayer

John 4:23-24

But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.

Oh How Good It Is

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Oh how good it is when the family of God
Dwells together in spirit in faith and unity
Where the bonds of peace of acceptance and love
Are the fruit of His presence here among us

Chorus

***So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord
And with one heart we'll live out His word
Till the whole earth sees
The Redeemer has come
For He dwells in the presence of His people***

Oh how good it is on this journey we share
To rejoice with the happy and weep with those who mourn
For the weak find strength the afflicted find grace
When we offer the blessing of belonging

Chorus

Oh how good it is to embrace His command
To prefer one another forgive as He forgives
When we live as one we all share in the love
Of the Son with the Father and the Spirit

Chorus

Corporate and Silent Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

-Book of Common Prayer

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Acts 10:43

To Him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name.

O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

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O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free!
Rolling as a mighty ocean
In its fullness over me!
Underneath me, all around me,
Is the current of Thy love
Leading onward, leading homeward
To Thy glorious rest above!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Spread His praise from shore to shore!
How He loveth, ever loveth,
Changeth never, nevermore!
How He watches o'er His loved ones,
Died to call them all His own;
How for them He intercedeth,
Watcheth o'er them from the throne!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Love of every love the best!
Tis an ocean vast of blessing,
Tis a haven sweet of rest!
O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Tis a heaven of heavens to me;
And it lifts me up to glory,
For it lifts me up to Thee!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Tis a heaven of heavens to me;
And it lifts me up to glory,
For it lifts me up to Thee!

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts*, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen. **sins/trespases*

Sermon Introduction to the Story of Jesus Christ (Luke 1:1-4) Rev. Adam Shields

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go
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O love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in thy sunshine’s blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life’s glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless.be.

*** Benediction**

The Doxology
Thomas Ken, 1709

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW IN GOD’S GRACE

Sunday
9:00 a.m.....Sunday School
10:15 a.m.....Worship Service
6:00-7:30 p.m.....Youth Group

Mark your calendar for this year's **Chili Cook-off on Sunday, October 26** in the fellowship hall. Bring your best chili to the competition and arrive at 4:45 to get set up. Because of the lack of available electrical outlets, bring your chili at serving temperature along with a ladle. Everybody else can show up at 5 p.m. and everybody will get a vote this year to crown our new Chili Champion. A sign-up sheet for cooks will be outside the sanctuary starting in October.

Tuesdays
9 a.m.....Women’s Bible Study – Song of Solomon by James L. Harvey, III (childcare provided)

September 23, **Taco Tuesday**, 11:45 a.m. at Limon’s in Henegar

Wednesday, Sept. 24; Oct. 1, 8, 22, 29; Nov. 5, 12, 19; and Dec. 3
4:30 p.m.....Prayer Meeting – everyone is welcome
5:30 p.m.....Dinner followed by classes for all ages
Adults: Learning to Love the Psalms by W. Robert Godfrey
Ladies: Song of Solomon by James L. Harvey, III
Youth Group 7th – 12th grades: Psalms of Ascent, Psalms 120-134
3rd – 6th grades: The Biggest Story
K - 2nd grades: The Biggest Story
Nursery is also available

The meal for September 24th is Roast Beef. Please remember to sign up using the link that was emailed last week.

Deacon of the Month: Matt Sharp (September); Bill Kinard (October)
Please see the deacon of the month for thermostat changes outside of office hours.

The next Session meeting is scheduled for October 6 at 5:15 p.m.

GRACE CHURCH DAILY PRAYER CALENDAR		
DAY	CHURCH FAMILY	MISSIONARY / MINISTRY
SUNDAY	Jaeme & Kyle Burt	Ann & Jeff Nelson Ponderosa, Mentone, AL
MONDAY	Robin & Allen Cartes Campbell & Emerson	Amy & Wayne Newsome MTW, Japan
TUESDAY	Mandy & Kevin Cash Connor & Carley	Cheryl & Bill Nikides REF Missions, Montana
WEDNESDAY	Diane Chavers	Jessica & Marcus Nobles RUF, Alabama A&M
THURSDAY	Jon Michael & Courtney Clark Wheeler, Sam, Haddon & John Robert	Anna & Brad Owens RUF, UAB
FRIDAY	Linda & Bud Cornwell	Anastasiya & Oleg Panasenکو International Partnerships, Ukraine
SATURDAY	Alicia & John Crow Emma	Provee Ministries (students Dulce & Stacy)

Prayer Concerns
Matt Sharp – work assignment
Josh Goss (Jana Sharp’s brother) – recovery from incident
Martha Baba (AmyLaura Duraski’s grandmother) – healing and recovery
Brandy Smith – new cyst in cerebellum; multiple scans scheduled for 9/30

Various Cancer Treatments
Alan Pyron, Leanne Burkett Weatherford, Roy Brittain, Rhonda Stewart, Josh Brooks, Rachel Davis

2025 Projected Missions Expenditures: \$157,100.00 2025 Faith Promise Giving: \$73,813.50
2025 Faith Promise Commitment: \$94,700.00

2025 General Fund Giving: \$262,574.01

Women’s Ministry Events

Weekly Song of Solomon Bible Study:
Tuesday morning study at 9:00 a.m. and Wednesday evening study at 6:30 p.m.

September 23, Taco Tuesday, 11:45 a.m. at Limon’s in Henegar

October 5, Canoeing, 2:00-5:30 at Camp Skyline