

# *Grace Presbyterian News*

## **May 2022**

### **In Person Worship with Masks Optional**

We continue Sunday worship in person in May with masks now optional. Worshipers are encouraged to maintain distancing as possible. You may also want to consider moving outdoors soon after worship, to visit with others on the lawn when the weather is suitable. We continue to live stream the service as well. The link to live stream is at our website [www.grace-pres.org](http://www.grace-pres.org). Live stream does NOT occur on Zoom; there seems to have been some confusion about that.

Pastor Mike Krech

### **Sunday School Resumes In Person on May 1**

Sunday School for adults, youth, and children, resumes in person, at the church on Sunday, May 1, at 9:45 a.m. The adult class meets in fellowship hall (Room 102 B); children meet in Room 101 B; and youth will meet in the child care wing (the classrooms to the east of the sanctuary).

### **Light Refreshments after Worship on May 1 to Celebrate with Bill McGoldrick**

Bill McGoldrick had his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on April 28, and you are welcome to linger after worship on Sunday, May 1, for light refreshments to celebrate with best wishes for Bill. Bill is a lifelong Presbyterian, who grew up in the Fort Washington Presbyterian Church in the northern reaches of Manhattan, New York City, began singing in the church choir at age 12, and has been a member of Grace Presbyterian Church and its Raleigh predecessor for 50 years.

### **Nursery Available During Worship for Children 5 Years Old and Younger**

We are joyous at the attendance of more children recently, and child care is provided in the nursery (Room 103) during worship for children 5 years old and younger. Our nursery room size and staff size are not adequate to care for children older than 5. Children older than 5 are welcome and encouraged to remain in worship.

### **Graduates**

Please help us be aware of all graduates in the church family. We would love to recognize them in worship on any Sunday in May convenient for them.

### **Thanks to the Musicians**

The final weeks of Lent, Holy Week, Easter, and the Sundays following have been blessed by the return of the chancel choir, as well as a variety of musical offerings from the bell choir, brass and strings, soloists, the Cameroonian and other ensembles. The chancel choir meets to rehearse most Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. The processional hymn also returned on Palm Sunday and will continue.

### **Hey – Wanna Watch the Total Eclipse of the Moon Together? – Sunday night, May 15**

We get a nicely placed “prime time” total eclipse of the moon on the night of Sunday, May 15. So, those who care to are welcome to an outdoor watch if the skies are favorable. Come to the church lawn as early as 9:00 p.m. The eclipse begins at 9:27 p.m. and goes total about an hour later. We can visit and ooh-and-ahh at the celestial display. Bring snacks if you care to, along with lawn chairs, mosquito repellent, an inquiring mind, and a gracious attitude.

### **Morning Prayer Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. on Zoom**

Morning prayer on Zoom continues in May. Email Mike at [jmkrech@yahoo.com](mailto:jmkrech@yahoo.com) to receive the link to join us. You will get an email by Tuesday noon with the link to join the Zoom chat and a list of the Scripture readings and the hymn for the meeting. We pray for each person on the prayer list by name at morning prayer. I warmly invite those who find it meaningful to be remembered on the prayer list to also be among those who pray for those on the prayer list in this service. We try to open the room by 9:20 a.m. so we can chat and visit, start at 9:30, and conclude by 10:00. Pastor Mike Krech

### **Presbyterian Women Circle Meetings on Zoom in May (Lesson 9 in the study book)**

The Night Circle meets Monday, May 9, at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom.

The Day Circle meets Tuesday, May 10, at 10:00 a.m. on Zoom.

Send an email to Patsy Krech at [patsykrech@gmail.com](mailto:patsykrech@gmail.com) if you need information about how to be part of these meetings.

### **Thursday Night Study Group on Zoom – *The Pilgrim's Progress***

Our Thursday night study group began in April reading and discussing *The Pilgrim's Progress* written by John Bunyan in 1678. We continue the study each Thursday night in May at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. If you are interested in joining the study, please send Pastor Mike Krech and email at [jmkrech@yahoo.com](mailto:jmkrech@yahoo.com)

### **In Person Game Night Returns – Friday, May 27 at 6:30 to eat; 7:00 to play**

After being suspended for more than two years, game night in person at the church returns at our previous meeting time – the last Friday evening of the month. If you want to bring snacks and eat, arrive at 6:30. Games will begin at 7:00 p.m. We meet in the Fellowship Hall (Room 102 B), starting at 7:00 p.m. Game/Trivia Night on Zoom will be held on Friday, May 13, at 7:00 p.m.

### **Maintaining the Church Grounds – A Task That Continues**

At Grace Presbyterian Church, we are dedicated to doing much of the work maintaining the church grounds to be good stewards of our financial resources. Our church has a great expanse of property. There is much to be done, and the Property Committee welcomes help. The Property Committee will provide training to anyone needing it. You do not have to commit to any particular schedule. Join the few, the humble, the volunteers of the GPC Grounds Crew. Send an email expressing interest to Mike at [jmkrech@yahoo.com](mailto:jmkrech@yahoo.com) and he will forward it on to the Property Committee.

# May 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 9:45 Sunday School for all ages 11:00 Worship in person & live streamed/Easter3 Communion	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>  <i>Blake Ragghianti</i>	<b>4</b> 9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom	<b>5</b> 7:00 p.m. Pilgrim's Progress Study on Zoom	<b>6</b>  <i>Karen Wilson Hicks</i> <i>Matthew Washburn</i>	<b>7</b> 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  <i>Kaylee Eno</i>
<b>8</b> 9:45 Sunday School for all ages 11:00 Worship in person & live streamed/Easter4 Mother's Day Baptism	<b>9</b>  7:00 p.m. PW Night Circle on Zoom	<b>10</b> 10:00 a.m. PW Day Circle on Zoom	<b>11</b> 9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom	<b>12</b> 7:00 p.m. Pilgrim's Progress Study on Zoom	<b>13</b> 7:00 p.m. Game Night on Zoom	<b>14</b> 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
<b>15</b> 9:45 Sunday School for all ages 11:00 Worship in person & live streamed/Easter5 9:00 p.m. Total Eclipse of Moon watch on church lawn	<b>16</b>  5:30 p.m. Session Mtg on Zoom  <i>Rickie Cooke</i>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom	<b>19</b> 7:00 p.m. Pilgrim's Progress Study on Zoom	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
<b>22</b> 9:45 Sunday School for all ages 11:00 Worship in person & live streamed/Easter6	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>  <i>Jane McGoldrick</i>	<b>25</b> 9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom	<b>26</b> Ascension Day  7:00 p.m. Pilgrim's Progress Study on Zoom	<b>27</b> 7:00 p.m. Game Night in Person (Come at 6:30 for snacks)	<b>28</b> 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
<b>29</b> 9:45 Sunday School for all ages 11:00 Worship in person & live streamed/Easter7 Ascension Day observed <i>John Gordon</i> <i>Hannah McAdams</i>	<b>30</b> Memorial Day	<b>31</b>	<i>Names in italics indicate that it is that person's birthday.</i>			

**Scripture Readings for Worship:**

**May 1:** Acts 9:1-6; Psalm 30;  
Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-14

**May 8:** Acts 9:36-43; Psalm 23;  
Revelation 7:9-7; John 10:22-30

**May 15:** Acts 11:1-18; Psalm 148  
Revelation 21:1-6; John 13:31-35

**May 22:** Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67  
Revelation 21:10-22:5; John 5:1-9

**May 29:** Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47  
Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

**A Prayer for the Ascension of Christ**

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior  
Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that  
he might fill all things: mercifully give us faith to  
perceive that, according to his promise, he abides  
with his church on earth, even to the end of the  
ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives  
and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one  
God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

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