

WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor: Rev. Patricia C. Gwinn | Music Director: Emery Schramm
AV: Catherine Haynes | Ushers: Norm St. John, AJ Smith, Don Amey, Gail Meaders

THE SAINTS OF GRACE COVENANT

Lorie Sisk | Kim Calhoun | Spence Hughes | Lynn Parish
Mary Williams | Martha Lyon | Faith Brown | Richard Pettit

May their lives and faith continue to inspire us

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY

*are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
the saints who have joined the Church Triumphant this year*

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 1st at 11:30 AM - Children's Sunday School

November 1st at 11:30 AM - Youth Group

November 2nd at 5:30 PM - Worship Committee Meeting

November 3rd at 9:30 AM - Prayer Ministry

November 4th at 5:00 PM - Fellowship Committee Meeting

November 4th at 5:30 PM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal

November 4th at 6:30 PM - Choir Rehearsal

November 5th at 8:00 AM - Men's Bible Study

November 5th at 5:00 PM - Property Committee Meeting

November 6th at 6:30 PM - Acoustic Jam

November 7th at 10:00 AM - Walk for Water @ Furman

November 8th at 9:15 AM - Adult Sunday School

November 8th at 11:30 AM - Children's Sunday School

November 8th at 12:00 PM - Christian Education Committee Meeting

November 8th at 2:00 PM - Missions & Outreach Committee Meeting

THE SESSION

Janice Tucker - Administration

Stephanie Norton - Christian Education

Carolyn Tucker - Congregational Care

Melinda Dumpert - Fellowship

Gordon Gilles - Finance

Steven Huskey - Missions/Outreach

Barry Graden - Property

Sarah Lasitter - Worship

Lisa Johnson - Clerk of Session

Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church

ALL SAINTS' DAY



Welcome to Grace Covenant

Grace Covenant is a neighborhood church living to be God's voice of hope in the world. We seek to walk in a manner worthy of our calling, to live with humility and gentleness, and with patience and love for one another. Our greatest aspiration is to make Christ's example of love real for all our neighbors.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

NOVEMBER 1, 2026

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

✠Call to Worship

From every tribe, tongue, people, and nation —
 God gathers us into one body.
From the church triumphant and the church still on the way —
 we join our voices with saints and angels.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.
 The whole earth is full of God’s glory!

✠Hymn No. 731 *Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith is Firm* REPTON

Corporate Prayer of Confession

God of mercy and hope, we confess that we have not always lived as your saints.
We grow weary in doing good; we lose sight of your kingdom vision. We confess the
times we have remained silent when we should have spoken, and spoken when we
should have listened. We forget that we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses,
and that we too are called to bear your light in the world. Forgive us, renew us, and lead
us, so that we may shine with the courage and faith of those who have gone before us,
through Jesus Christ, the Lord of all, we pray... (silent prayers of confession)

Word of Grace

Hear the good news: In Christ, the saints of every age are made one body, and nothing, neither
death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, can separate us from the love of God
in Jesus Christ.
 In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

✠Choral Response *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Time for Children

*Children preschool age through 5th grade are invited to the chancel area at this time. Children four and younger may then go to
the nursery; children five and older are to return to their seats and are encouraged to remain with us for worship.*

Anthem *Down to the River to Pray* arr. Lloyd Larson

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Lesson: Revelation 7: 9-17

Sermon *The Communion of Saints*

✠Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles’ Creed* Page 35

Offering

✠Choral Response *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low.
 Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
 Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

✠Prayer of Dedication

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation to the Table
Prayer of Great Thanksgiving
The Lord be with you
 And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
 We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Remembering the Saints
After the name of each saint is spoken:
Lord, hear our prayer.
 We remember and give thanks.

The Lord’s Prayer
Choral Meditation *Dona Nobis Pacem (Grant Us Peace)*
Words of Institution
Communion of the People
Prayer after Communion

✠Hymn No. 326 *For All the Saints* SINE NOMINE

✠Charge

✠Choral Benediction *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* Peter Lutkin

Postlude

✠Please rise in body or in spirit