



## GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



### Praying Together for Renewal

***Our Mission: Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church celebrates God's grace for everyone. We gather to worship. We equip ourselves to share faith. We send ourselves to serve.***

The apostle Paul wrote, "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." *1 Thessalonians 5:16-18* At Grace Covenant we deeply value connecting to God in prayer. We can't do God's work on our own. As the head of the Church, Christ is the source of our life and renewal. The good news is that Christ loves to bring new life to us all and prayer is the first step. We ask you to join with our congregation to pray for Christ's vision and guidance for GCPC.

In this prayer guide, there are prayer prompts for each day of the week. You may do all or just one of the suggestions daily. Create a practice that is meaningful and life giving for you and not a burden. Together, may we gain the courage to believe the living God of wonder is calling us to transform in faithful discipleship; to join the Spirit at work; and to live into the new thing Christ is doing.

#### **Sunday: Jesus' Church**

Read Matthew 16:13-18. As you pray today, use these prompts:

- Acknowledge afresh that Jesus is the Son of God.
- Give our church to Jesus.
- Recognize that Jesus is the Head of the church.
- Thank God for His protection and provision for His church.
- Ask God to give our church a vision of being Jesus' church that matches this passage.
- Pray for God's touch in refreshing our church.
- Pray for church members as we assess our church's spiritual condition.
- Bring God any praises or prayer requests that are on your heart today.

#### **Monday: The Work of the Church**

Read Matthew 28:16-20. As you pray today, use these prompts:

- Ask God to speak to you about how well our church is fulfilling Jesus' last command to us.
- Thank God for being given Jesus' authority.
- Ask God to help you be aware of someone today who might become a new disciple of Jesus.

- Pray for your Sunday School class that it will make disciples of those who attend.
- Pray for missions in our city, in our country, and around the world.
- Ask God to help you be constantly aware of Jesus' presence in your life every day.
- Pray for God's touch in renewing our church.
- Pray for church members as we assess our church's spiritual condition.
- Bring to God any praises or prayer requests that are on your heart today.

### **Tuesday: The First Church**

Read Acts 2:40-47. As you pray today, use these prompts:

- Ask God to add new believers to our church.
- Ask God to help you and our church be devoted to and engage the Bible.
- Ask God to deepen true fellowship in our church.
- Ask God to renew your sense of awe and wonder of Him.
- Ask God to identify someone who has a need you can meet today.
- Ask God to help every church member to share his or her faith in a way that brings favor with people outside our church.
- Pray for God's touch in mobilizing our church.
- Pray for church members as we assess our church's spiritual condition.
- Bring to God any praises or prayer requests that are on your heart today.

### **Wednesday: The First Church in Prayer**

Read Acts 4:23-37. As you pray today, use these prompts:

- Ask God to instill a passion for bold prayer in your life.
- Ask God to instill a passion for bold prayer in our church.
- Ask God to help you and other church members to speak God's Word with loving boldness.
- Ask God to fill you anew with the Holy Spirit.
- Offer every possession and resource you have to God for the good of His church.
- Pray for God's touch in empowering our church.
- Pray for church members as we assess our church's spiritual condition.
- Bring to God any praises or prayer requests that are on your heart today.

### **Thursday: Revitalization and Transformation**

Read 2 Corinthians 3:12-18. As you pray today, use these prompts:

- Pray that you will continually be transformed more and more in Christ-likeness.
- Praise and thank God for the hope He gives us.
- Ask God to soften our minds to His Word.
- Praise God for the freedom He gives us from the old covenant.
- Pray for God's touch in energizing our church.
- Pray for church members as we assess our church's spiritual condition.
- Bring to God any praises or prayer requests that are on your heart today.

## **Friday: Unity in the Church**

Read Ephesians 4:1-7. As you pray today, use these prompts:

- Pray for unity in our church.
- Ask God to reveal to you anyone with whom you are not in unity. Ask Him to help you seek out this person or persons and seek forgiveness for whatever broke that unity.
- Make yourself a prisoner of Jesus.
- Ask God to help you and our church measure themselves against His standards of humility, gentleness, patience, and unity.
- Thank and praise God for His grace shown in your life and our church.
- Pray for God's touch in recharge our church.
- Pray for church members as we assess our church's spiritual condition.
- Bring to God any praises or prayer requests that are on your heart today.

## **Saturday: The Multiplying Church**

Read Acts 9:31. As you pray today, use these prompts:

- Ask God to build up our church.
- Ask God to bring a sense of peace to our church.
- Pray for a renewed fear of the Lord in your life and in our church.
- Ask God to make our church a multiplying church.
- Pray for God's touch in revitalizing our church.
- Pray for church members as we assess our church's spiritual condition.
- Bring to God any praises or prayer requests that are on your heart today.

## **Sunday: An Examining Church**

Read 2 Corinthians 13:5-14. As you pray today, use these prompts:

- Pray today for our church as we gather to worship God and assess the spiritual condition of our church.
- Ask God to help you examine and test your own life to see if Jesus is in you.
- Pray that Jesus will be in each member and in our corporate church.
- Pray for God's touch in animating our church.
- Bring to God any praises or prayer requests that are on your heart today.