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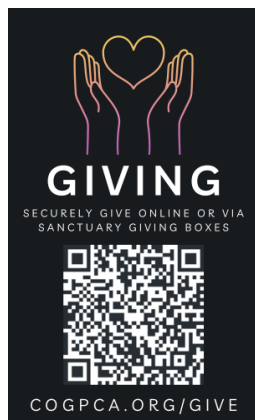
## Sunday Morning Christian Education

### Children

9:15am "Lord Teach Us to Pray" Fellowship Hall  
10:30am Rainbow Room-Nursery - infant-age 3  
Kids worship during sermon in Room #6- age 3-2nd grade

### Adults

9:15am "Lord Teach Us to Pray" Fellowship Hall  
9:15am Matthew- Room #9  
10:10am Prayer Meeting in the Church Office



September 21, 2025

# THE BOOK OF ECCLESIASTES

Finding significance and  
joy when life is a vapor

Covenant of Grace  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



9:15am Christian Education

\*Coffee and Tea available in the Welcome Center between  
Christian Education and Worship

10:30am Worship Service

Connect with Us

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We are so glad you're here! At Covenant of Grace we strive to be a hospitable, gospel-centered fellowship committed to helping people know God, become more like Jesus, and serve his world. As we worship together today, our prayer is that Jesus would be glorified, his word made clear, and his people equipped and empowered to love and serve God & their neighbors. Soli Deo Gloria!  
~Pastor Mark Samuel

## Children @ Covenant of Grace

Your children are welcome in all parts of worship at Covenant of Grace! To help support the full participation of families in worship, we make available a kid's worship program during the sermon for children ages 3 - 2nd grade as well as a nursery and cry room. Christian education classes are available for all ages (see back cover). Have a child with special needs? Please let us know & we'll make every effort to accommodate.

After the Service an Elder will be up front with stickers for children who share what they learned this morning.

## Week at a Glance

### Sun. September 21, 2025

10:30am Worship Service  
12:00pm Choir Practice  
6:00pm Youth Group

### Tues. September 23, 2025

10:30am Women's Bible Study  
7:00pm Women's Bible Study

### Wed. September 24, 2025

10:00am Women's Bible Study  
7:00pm Women's Bible Study  
7:00pm ESOL  
7:00pm Middle School D-Group

### Fri. September 26, 2025

8:50am Wo. Prayer Mtg. (Zoom)

# Order of Worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.....PASTOR MARK SAMUEL

CALL TO WORSHIP.....from Psalm 103: 1-5  
SONGS OF PRAISE

HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION #338  
JESUS, I COME

## INVOCATION PRAYER

### PRAYER OF REPENTANCE & RENEWAL

Almighty and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Forgive those, O God who confess their faults. Restore those who are repentant, according to your promises declared to humanity in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for Jesus' sake that we may from now on live godly, righteous and sober lives. To the glory of your holy name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE.....PSALM 103: 8-12

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH.....ELDER MATT SHERLOCK

MINISTRY MOMENT-ACE.....BETHANY & JOHN NORSEEN  
OUR GIFTS FOR GOD'S GLORY.....TITHES AND OFFERINGS  
please pass the friendship register

## SONG OF PREPARATION

HIS NAME IS WONDERFUL #65

SCRIPTURE READING\*.....ECCLESIASTES 3: 1-15

THE SERMON.....PASTOR MARK SAMUEL  
"THE TRUTH ABOUT TIME"

## SONG OF REFLECTION

TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE #449

CONFESSION OF FAITH.....HEIDELBERG CATECHISM Q.1  
Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**A. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.**

THE LORD'S SUPPER  
SONG OF COMMITMENT

DOXOLOGY

## BENEDICTION

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**Linda Davidson:** Continue to pray for relief of back pain.

**Teresita Metzbower:** Please continue to pray that Teresita builds strength and that her body recovers well after having a stroke.

**Karen Van Fossen:** Please continue to pray for Karen's brother in law Rich as he continues chemotherapy and hormone therapy injections.

**Terry Zentz:** Pray for her perseverance and patience. Pray for continued improvements in each phase of rehab and the new blessings every day to help her move ahead. Again, and again our praise to God's will and her movements sure and steady....and our thanks for all the support you'll provide us.

## Missionary Prayer

**Rev Dr STEPHEN RARIG**  
**Western Australia (Mission to the World)**

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