



*Come Rest*

**February 22, 2026**

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# WELCOME!

We are grateful to have you with us as we worship God today!

This bulletin is intended to help guide you through the elements of our worship service, including explanations of why we do what we do in corporate worship.

*If you have questions about Christ, the Gospel, or the church membership,  
please speak with one of the elders after the service.*

**Coffee:** Coffee & waters are available at the corner table

**Restrooms:** Restrooms are available through the center door

**Children:** We invite children of all ages to participate in the service.  
If needed, the space to the right of the center door available for you.

**Livestream:** If you can't come on a particular Sunday, our live stream is available at [www.gospelway.church/live](http://www.gospelway.church/live)

**Giving:** If you would like to give, you can drop your offering in the box at the corner table or give online at [www.gospelway.church/give](http://www.gospelway.church/give)

**Upcoming:** All upcoming events , financials, and prayer requests can be found on the last page of the bulletin.

## GOD GATHERS US

The word church means “called out ones.” Our very name acknowledges that it is God’s call that creates and constitutes our relationship with Him. Yet, recognizing that we are too weak to worship God as He deserves, we respond to His call with prayer for His help (the Invocation). God then answers, welcoming us into His presence through His Word (the Greeting). We respond with songs of adoration to our Creator and Redeemer.

## GOD REMINDS US

God’s Word instructs us in holy living. We come to it now with humility as it reveals our sin and need for a Savior. Our prayer of confession (1 John 1:9) is followed by a bold declaration that we need not fear God’s condemnation because Christ has taken it in our place. We then respond in thankfulness to God and confess the faith delivered to us.

## GOD INSTRUCTS US

Through the public reading of Scripture (1 Tim. 4:13), we are reminded that all of God’s Word—from promise to fulfillment—reveals His redemptive work in Christ. As we prepare to hear His Word preached, we respond with singing, expressing our dependence on the Holy Spirit.

### **Call to Worship:** Joel 2:15–16

Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly. Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet.

### **Prayer of Invocation**

### **Salutation**

### **\* Song of Adoration:** All Praise to Him

### **The Law:** Matthew 22:37–40

### **Prayer of Confession**

### **Assurance of Pardon:** Romans 5:6–8

### **\* Song of Thanksgiving:** Nothing But the Blood

### **Confession of Faith:** The Lord’s Prayer

### **Psalm Reading:** Psalm 112:1–9

### **New Testament Reading:** 1 Corinthians 2:1–16

### **\* Song of Preparation:** Be Thou My Vision

\* Stand if able.

## **GOD SPEAKS TO US**

Scripture tells us that it is through the “foolishness of preaching” that God saves and sanctifies His people (1 Cor. 1:21). So we come with expectation, eager to receive His grace through the proclamation of His Word. Having heard from God, we respond in faith and worship through song.

## **GOD SERVES US**

*In the Lord's Supper, God graciously nourishes our faith through this tangible sign and seal of the covenant. As we partake of the bread and the cup, we proclaim the death of Christ, and strengthening us to live as His redeemed people until He comes again.*

## **GOD SENDS US**

*In the benediction (the “good word”), God places His name upon us, sending us into the world with His blessing and promise.*

**Sermon Text:** Ruth 1:19–22

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Sermon:** Returning Empty

**\* Song of Response:** He Leadeth Me

**The Lord's Supper:**

*\*We partake of the Lord's Supper the first & third Sunday of each month, and invite all baptized believers who are not under formal church discipline to partake with us.*

**\* Song of Thanksgiving:**

**\* Benediction:** Psalm 29:11

*The LORD will give strength unto His people; The LORD will bless His people with peace.*

*\*Stand if able.*



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The Old Testament points us to Christ in promise, type, and shadow; the Gospel reveals Him in the flesh, fulfilling all that was written.

## GOD HEARS US

In the Prayer of Petition, we bring our needs before the throne of grace. With confidence in our Mediator, Jesus Christ, we intercede for others, pray for the advance of the gospel, and ask for God’s help.

### **Call to Worship:** Hebrews 4:16

*Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.*

### **Prayer of Invocation**

### **Salutation**

**\*Song of Adoration:** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

### **Scripture Reading:** Exodus 24:8–18

### **Gospel Reading:** Matthew 17:1–9

### **Prayer of Petition**

**\*Song of Thanksgiving:** All I Have Is Christ

### **Scripture Reading:** Revelation 17:1-18

**Sermon:** The Prostitute of Babylon

### **Prayer for Illumination**

**\*Song of Response:** Doxology

**\*Benediction:** Psalm 67:1

*God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us; Selah.*

\*Stand if able.



## Prayer Requests

### OUR CONGREGATION

- For ongoing health needs in the church: Dottie Gettinger and Brenda Mosley
- For continued recovery from surgery: Amy Beaver

### OUTSIDE OUR CONGREGATION

- *Covenant Grace Church, Columbia, TN (Patrick Crandell, David Beale)* – Pray for wisdom and unity as the church seeks to bring on new deacons and elder candidates this month. Ask the Lord to grant a season of peace and rest following a difficult year marked by conflict and hardship. Pray also that the upcoming sermon series in Proverbs would be richly blessed and that the congregation would grow together in true, Christ-centered wisdom.
- *Middle East* – Pray for the Lord to restrain violence and bring peace. Ask Him to protect innocent lives, strengthen the church in the region, and open doors for the gospel.
- *Mark Stec Family* – Pray for grace and peace for Mark's family as they grieve

*If you have any prayer requests you'd like included, please submit them to Charles Nagy. Let's continue to lift each other up in prayer.*

## Announcements

- Catechism Classes @ 9:50 am each Sunday
- Classes each Wednesday @ 7pm
- Fellowship Meal - March 29th

## Sermon Schedule

- 3/1 - Ruth 2:1-3
- 3/8 - Ruth 2:4-16
- 3/15 - Isaiah 6:3-7

## Financials

*Fiscal Year Oct-Sept*

Jan. Actual: \$ 3,986.01

Jan. Budgeted: \$ 3,500.00

YTD Actual: \$ 12,325.66

YTD Budgeted: \$ 14,000.00

*(thru 01/31/26)*

## Gatherings & Opportunities

*We will be hosting a conference the Law and Gospel on April 24–25 with Mike Abendroth. More information and registration details are available on the website.*

*The GRN Annual Meeting will take place June 9–11, 2026. Further information regarding location and schedule will be provided soon.*

*Please see Charles Nagy if you have additional gatherings or opportunities that you would like to be listed.*