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## “SPEAK, O LORD”

### Verse 1

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You  
To receive the food of Your Holy Word.  
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us  
All Your purposes for Your glory.

### Verse 3

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;  
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans  
for us—  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
That will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we'll stand on Your  
promises,

### Verse 2

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,  
Holy reverence, true humility;  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
In the radiance of Your purity.  
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see  
Your majestic love and authority.  
Words of pow'r that can never fail—  
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.  
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with  
us.  
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built  
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

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**FIRST READING** *page 97 in the pew Bibles*

Leviticus 19:9-18

**SECOND READING** *page 1023 in the pew Bibles*

1 John 4:7-12

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## “LOVE OF GOD”

### **Verse 1**

It's so good I almost can't believe it  
Far beyond what hearts could ever dream  
The God who set the galaxies in motion  
Would descend to give His life for me

### **Pre-Chorus**

For what could make  
perfection bleed for sinners?  
What leads a King to pay so great a cost?  
All my life, my heart will sing the answer  
Only the love of God

### **Chorus**

Singing, oh how great is the love of God  
He paid our debt on that rugged cross  
For all our days,  
we will sing our Savior's praise  
How great is the love of God

### **Verse 2**

It's so kind, it leads us to repentance  
It's so bright, the darkness has to flee  
Hallelujah, it cleared my guilty sentence  
For I was bound, but now I stand redeemed

### **Pre-Chorus 2**

For what could break the chains  
of any prison?  
What force could rob the power  
from the grave?  
What would trade my rags  
for Heaven's riches?  
Only the love of God

### **Chorus**

### **Verse 3**

Though I try my mind can't comprehend it  
It's so high, too marvelous for words  
I could sing a million songs about it  
And barely scratch the surface of Your worth

### **Pre-Chorus 3**

This all my life the banner I'll be waving  
My anthem cry, no matter what may come  
And when I rise to walk the streets of heaven  
I'll still be singing this song  
For everything that You've done  
How great the love of God

### **Chorus x2**

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**TODAY'S MESSAGE:**

**HEART OUR HOOD: SEEING OUR NEIGHBORS THE WAY JESUS DOES**

*message based on Luke 10:25-37*

*page 869 in the pew Bibles*

Today we are beginning a new message series titled “Heart Our Hood” (hood = neighborhood).

It’s easy for us to interact with people in our neighborhoods and communities and not truly recognize them. Busy schedules, distractions, stereotypes and assumptions can keep us from noticing those God has placed around us.

Through the “Parable of the Good Samaritan,” Jesus opens the eyes of our faith in him to recognize who our neighbor is and how we have failed to love them. However, before calling us to love others, Jesus shows us that he is the One who has seen us, come near to us, and rescued us in our need. Because of his compassion for us, we are freed and equipped to truly see and love the people God has placed in our lives.

## **CONFESSION OF SINS & ANNOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS**

*Through the Confession of Sins, we together confess our sins to God, expressing our need for God's forgiveness. As we hear the Announcement of God's Forgiveness, we see the mercy and love of God through the work of his Son Jesus, and enjoy forgiveness, peace, and joy through faith in him.*

Worship Leader: We confess our sins to God and ask for his mercy and forgiveness:

**Grace Family: Lord, have mercy on me and forgive me for my open sins and my secret sins. Forgive the sins I know and the ones I don't know. Forgive the sins I did to please myself and the sins I did to please others. Forgive all my sins, Lord, for the sake of your Son, Jesus.**

Worship Leader: Jesus lived among us as a human being and revealed himself to be the Son of God. His body has paid for our sins on the cross, and his blood purifies us from all guilt. Jesus did this for us, and through him we have been forgiven of all our sins.

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*Following the Prayer of the Church:*

**All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## “BUILD MY LIFE”

### **Verse 1**

Worthy of ev'ry song  
we could ever sing  
Worthy of all the praise  
we could ever bring  
Worthy of ev'ry breath  
we could ever breathe  
We live for You

### **Verse 2**

Jesus the name  
above ev'ry other name  
Jesus the only one  
who could ever save  
Worthy of ev'ry breath  
we could ever breathe  
We live for You  
We live for You

### **Chorus**

Holy there is no one like You  
There is none beside You  
Open up my eyes in wonder  
and show me who You are  
And fill me with Your heart  
and lead me  
in Your love to those around me

### **Verse 2**

### **Chorus**

### **Bridge (x2)**

And I will build my life  
upon Your love  
It is a firm foundation  
And I will put my trust in You alone  
And I will not be shaken

### **Chorus**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS & BLESSING

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## THIS WEEK AT GRACE

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The full calendar can be found at [gracefallschurch.org/calendar](http://gracefallschurch.org/calendar)

**Today 8:00 a.m. Traditional Service**

9:00 a.m. Grace Choir Rehearsal (Classroom 6)

**9:30 a.m. Traditional Service with Communion**

9:30 a.m. Sunday School (classrooms)

9:30 p.m. Sunday Bible Study (Classroom 4)

**11:15 a.m. Contemporary Service**

**12:30 p.m. Servicio de adoración**

1:45 p.m. Estudio Biblico (Fellowship Room)

**Tuesday** 10:00 a.m. Bible Café (church entryway)

4:30 p.m. Tuesday Confirmation Class (Zoom)

**Thursday** 7:00 p.m. Grace Christian Academy Literacy Night

**Friday** Grace Christian Academy Field Day

**Saturday** 9:30 a.m. Saturday Confirmation Class (Zoom)

11:00 a.m. Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

3:00 p.m. Grace Christian Academy Piano Recital (Sanctuary)

**Next Sunday Mother's Day**

**8:00 a.m. Traditional Service**

9:00 a.m. Grace Choir Rehearsal (Classroom 6)

**9:30 a.m. Traditional Service**

9:30 a.m. Sunday School (classrooms)

9:30 a.m. Sunday Bible Class (Classroom 4)

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**Grace Golf Outing** | All members and friends of Grace are invited to participate in a casual and friendly 9-hole round of golf at Jefferson District Golf Course (7900 Lee Highway, Falls Church) on Saturday May 23. Tee times start after 3:00 p.m. Cost is ~\$20 per golfer. Invite a golfing buddy! For questions or to sign up, please contact Pastor Satorius (contact information on back page).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Today's Floral Offering** | Today's floral altar offering is given with thanks to God by Ron & Anne Luehrs in celebration of their 35<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary

**Financial Giving** | If you would like to make a financial gift to Grace, you may do so via the following options:



- The collection plate – located at the back of the Sanctuary.
- Zelle – through your bank's website or app. Enter [treasurer@gracefallschurch.org](mailto:treasurer@gracefallschurch.org) as the recipient.
- PayPal – scan the QR code on the left or visit [gracefallschurch.org/donate](https://gracefallschurch.org/donate)

### **Grace Christian Academy Is Seeking Applicants for the Position of Educational Assistant (EA)**

| This is a paid position. For a position description, questions, or to apply, please contact Principal Jacob Price (contact information on the back page).



**Register for Summer Bible Camp!** | Children ages 3 through rising 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to Summer Bible Camp. Summer Bible Camp will take place June 22-26 at Grace, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. each day. Rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders and adults are welcome to participate as volunteers! [Scan the code to register.](#)  
Questions? Please email: [camp@gracefallschurch.org](mailto:camp@gracefallschurch.org)

**RISING 5<sup>TH</sup> – 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS: Registration for Camp Chi Rho is OPEN!** | Camp Chi Rho is a week-long summer camp for students who have completed grades 4-8 (rising 5<sup>th</sup> – rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders). Nestled in the small town of Bentonville, Virginia, Shenandoah River State Park is the perfect setting to encounter the great outdoors in a Christ-centered, fun, and engaging environment. Girls and boys are invited to participate in this affordable one-week tent-camping experience from July 20-24, 2026. [All details and registration are available at campchirho.org.](https://campchirho.org) Grace will provide transportation to and from the camp, as well as the required adult chaperone. Camp Chi Rho is sponsored by our WELS North Atlantic District's Commission on Youth and Family Ministry. Please contact Chaisson Maheu or Tricia Visscher with any questions (contact information is on the back page).

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