

# Grace *at home*

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ORDER OF WORSHIP | SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2020 | 10 A.M ONLINE

**Worship online at [gpch.org](http://gpch.org)**

**Welcome**

*Who You Say I Am*

Hymn: *And Can It Be?*

**Morning Prayer**

Elder Dan McElyea

*Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me*

**Expressing our Gratitude**

Angela Wade Simpson, Director of Guest Services & Communications  
[gpch.org/give](http://gpch.org/give)

**Stories of Grace**

Kate Pontikes

**Sermon Text**

Missy Antwi  
*Colossians 2:4-6*

**Sermon**

*Be Devoted Then. . .*  
The Rev. Chris French, Missional Living Pastor

*Holy Spirit, Have Your Way*

**Benediction**

**Choral Response**

*A Prayer of Saint Patrick (Rutter)*

**Postlude**

*Toccata on Epilogue (N. Gilbert)*

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HOUSE WORSHIP LITURGY | SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2020

## Invitation and Gathering

*Consider lighting a candle to signal that worship has begun and that God is present wherever and whenever two or more gather in God's name. When we gather for worship we acknowledge that God is the one who gathers us together.*

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## Application Questions

1. What does it look like to be devoted to prayer in your own life?
2. What does it look like to practice watchful prayer throughout each day?
3. How does being gracious with your words and deeds reflect a devotion to prayer?
4. When is a time that you made the most of an opportunity to share the Gospel with others?

## Call to Prayer

*From Psalm 124:8*

Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.  
Let's come before Him in prayer.

## Prayer

Merciful God, you made us in your image, with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconstant, and our obedience incomplete. Day by day, we fail to grow into your likeness. In your tender love, forgive us as through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Hear us now as we bring our own confessions before you...

*Brief time of silence*

The Psalmist tell us that you hear our prayers O Lord; that you give ear to our supplications in your faithfulness and answer us in your righteousness. Jesus in light of your covenant faithfulness, please hear now our prayers for your people and your world.

*(take a few minutes to lift up the needs of the world before God now)*

We thank you that you hear our prayers and are always with us.  
Amen.

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## Declaration of Faith

*Heidelberg Catechism, Question and Answer #26*

*Question: What do you believe when you say,  
"I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth"?*

**Answer: I believe that the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ the Son.**

**I trust God so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends upon me in this sad world.**

**God is able to do this because he is almighty God and desires to do this because he is faithful Father.**

## Sending

*We do not worship for ourselves alone, but for the sake of the world. God gathers us, speaks to us, and feeds us so that we might be formed into people who look and act like Jesus in our everyday lives.*

## Benediction

Go now in peace, in the knowledge of God's power.  
Go now in confidence, in the knowledge of God's strength.  
Go now in joy, in the knowledge of God's love.  
Go BE the church! Amen.

## Dig Deeper:

*Learn:* anchor each day in prayer at a certain time and place with a certain plan

*Follow:* try some prayer practices:

- pick a scripture and turn it into a personal prayer
- use the Lord's prayer to guide our personal prayer
- journal your prayers

*Show:* gather with others regularly to read scripture and pray.

*Tell:* pick a friend, neighbor, co-worker, family member far from Jesus and pray them closer to Christ.