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## Grace United Methodist Church



March 12, 2025 – 8PM

### Order of Worship/Lent

**Grace United Methodist Church is a Family of Faith striving to share God's love with all.**

**\*Please Stand If You Are Able**

🙏♥Diane Vitacco, ♥Jerry Noble (father of Thomas Noble), ♥SofiaRose Curry (relative of Sing Larson), ♥Families dealing with the California Wild Fires, ♥Edie Zipperlen, ♥Mary Flynn (mom) and Maureen Andersen (daughter), ♥Priscilla Caparelli (friend of Kim Neri), ♥Manny Kurz, ♥Cecil and Carol Walker (friends of Barbara Woodford), ♥Everon Palmer (son of Enid Simpson), ♥Carol Whyte, ♥Winston Scarlett (brother-in-law of Maudlyn Scarlett), ♥Jennifer LaRoche (friend of Kim Neri), ♥David Biegler, ♥Michael Kurz, ♥Vin Dowling, ♥Garvin Phillip (nephew of Eleanor Phillip), ♥Elaine Treske, ♥Marilyn Eller (sister of Elaine Treske), ♥Jim Poch, ♥All our Military men and women, ♥Barbara Siegl, ♥All UMW in Rehabilitation and Nursing Homes, ♥Castells Family (family of Elaine Treske), ♥Evelyn Neber (friend of Elaine Treske). **Note.** Prayer List names will continue to be listed for two weeks. After that period of time, the names will be removed unless you call us with current information. † - Death in family, ♦ - New entry

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### Welcome/Greetings

#### \* Call to Worship

L: Pilgrims, we are invited to journey through this season of Lent

**P Towards the One who calls us each by a new name.**

L: Disciples, we walk with Jesus wherever he leads us,

**P: Pulling our fears, our doubts, our longings behind us.**

L: Believers, we seek to trust the God who always surprises us,

**P: Whose promises take on flesh and blood in the good news called Jesus.**

#### \* Opening Hymn #496 – “Sweet Hour of Prayer”

*SWEET HOUR*

#### \* Opening Prayer

**God of wilderness and water, your Son was baptized and tempted as we are. Guide us through this season, that we may not avoid struggle, but open ourselves to blessing, through the cleansing depths of repentance and the heaven-rending words of the Spirit. Amen.**

## Passing of the Peace of Christ

Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

### Scriptures

**Old Testament** – Isaiah 40:28-31 (New International Version)

<sup>28</sup> Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. <sup>29</sup> He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. <sup>30</sup> Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; <sup>31</sup> but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

L: The Word of God, For the People of God. **P: Thanks be to God.**

**New Testament** – Philippians 3:13-4:1 (New International Version)

<sup>13</sup> Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> All of us, then, who are mature should take such a view of things. And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. <sup>16</sup> Only let us live up to what we have already attained. <sup>17</sup> Join together in following my example, brothers and sisters, and just as you have us as a model, keep your eyes on those who live as we do. <sup>18</sup> For, as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. <sup>19</sup> Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup> But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body. **4** Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends!

L: The Word of God, For the People of God. **P: Thanks be to God.**

**\*Hymn before Sermon #357** – “Just as I Am Without One Plea”

*WOODWORTH*

**Sermon** – “I Wait Upon the Lord”

Bob DiSalvo

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Invitation to Tithes and Offering**

With grateful hearts, let us share a portion of the bounty God has given us. We do so as an act of faith, and in support of God’s work in the congregation and the world. .

**\*Hymn No. 95** – Presentation of the Offering

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**God of abundance, we offer these gifts, along with our praise and thanksgiving. You generously pour out your love and the gifts of this good earth to us, each and every day. Bless the gifts we return to you now, that they may bring abundant love and sustenance to many in need of your blessing. With grateful hearts, we pray. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn #405** – “Seek Ye First”

*SEEK YE*

**\*Dismissal with Blessing**