

Grace United Methodist Church



June 22, 2025 - 10:00AM

Order of Worship - 2nd Sunday after Pentecost/Juneteenth

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

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

Opening Praise Music: "Down by the Riverside" and "Wade in the Water"

Welcome/Greetings

Choral Introit

*** Opening Hymn #519 – "Lift Every Voice and Sing"**

LIFT EVERY VOICE

*** Call to Worship**

L: Let us speak of mercy and justice.

P: For these are the things suitable for our God.

L: Let us follow the ways of mercy and justice,

P: For they are the ways of peace and community.

L: Let us lift up our hearts in conviction and our voices in praise to the Lord of peace and the God of justice.

P: Let justice roll on like a river, and righteousness like a never-ending stream.

*** Opening Prayer**

God of all peoples, of all nations, On this day of freedom, we celebrate triumphantly with all people of goodwill that we might walk arm in arm towards justice for all. Breathe into us your eternal breath, that we may never

tire of ensuring a flourishing life for all people, but most especially, those brothers and sisters whose growth has been stifled by the trauma of being enslaved. O God, we know and have seen your goodness, and because of it, we cling to the hope that unity and liberation for all are within our grasp. Continue to show us your goodness, that we may have the strength to advance your kingdom with humility and grace. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, through your Son Jesus, who came among us as a slave choosing to serve his disciples rather than to be served by them; help us in our weakness not to seek to oppress others, nor to make peace with any form of injustice or exploitation, but in all things earnestly and of our own free will, to seek to serve each other following Christ's good example.

Words of Assurance

Restore us in your image, to be a beloved community in our church and our world, united in our diversity, even as you are one with Christ and the Spirit, Holy and undivided, now and forever, Amen.

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Through Christ, we who are many form one body. In that spirit of unity, let us pass the peace of Christ to one another.

Presentation of Educational Scholarships

Janet Stone

Children's Message

Coleen Murray

Old Testament Scripture Reading – Leviticus 25:8-10, 17-19, 35-42 (NIV)

⁸Count off seven sabbath years—seven times seven years—so that the seven sabbath years amount to a period of forty-nine years. ⁹Then have the trumpet sounded everywhere on the tenth day of the seventh month; on the Day of Atonement, sound the trumpet throughout your land. ¹⁰Consecrate the fiftieth year and proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you; each of you is to return to your family property and to your own clan. ¹⁷Do not take advantage of each other, but fear your God. I am the Lord your God. ¹⁸“Follow my decrees and be careful to obey my laws, and you will live safely in the land. ¹⁹Then the land will yield its fruit, and you will eat your fill and live there in safety. ³⁵“If any of your fellow Israelites become poor and are unable to support themselves among you, help them as you would a foreigner and stranger, so they can continue to live among you. ³⁶Do not take interest or any profit from them, but fear your God, so that they may continue to live among you. ³⁷You must not lend them money at interest or sell them food at a profit. ³⁸I

am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt to give you the land of Canaan and to be your God. ³⁹“If any of your fellow Israelites become poor and sell themselves to you, do not make them work as slaves. ⁴⁰They are to be treated as hired workers or temporary residents among you; they are to work for you until the Year of Jubilee. ⁴¹Then they and their children are to be released, and they will go back to their own clans and to the property of their ancestors. ⁴²Because the Israelites are my servants, whom I brought out of Egypt, they must not be sold as slaves.

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

New Testament Scripture Reading – Luke 4:14-21

Then Jesus, in the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding regions. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

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***Hymn before Message #533 – “We Shall Overcome”**

MARTIN

Sermon – “Letting Justice Roll On Like a River”

Rev. Eumin Kim

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer and Choral Response

Invitation to Tithes and Offering

Let us dedicate our time, talents, and treasures to creating a more perfect world where peace and justice exists for all people in all places.

Anthem – “Poor Man Lazrus” arr. Jester Hairston

***Hymn No. 95 - Presentation of the Offering**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Peaceful God, bless our offerings today as a testament to our commitment to rising justice, pursuing peace and building a world where all are valued, all are welcome and all are loved. Amen

***Closing Hymn #717 – “Battle Hymn of the Republic”**

BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC

***Dismissal with Blessing**

Closing Praise Music: “Swing Low, Sweet Chariot” and “Soon and Very Soon”

(Please remain seated for the Closing Music)

Pastor: Rev. Eumin Kim	Counting Team: Everett Fitch
Liturgist/Reader: Coleen Murray	Ushers: Everett Fitch, Carol Provenzano, Michael Provenzano
Director of Music: Drew Banzhoff	Audio-Tech: Brandon Gauntlett



♥Maudlyn Scarlett, ♥Marianne Pike, ♥Jerry Noble (Tom Noble's dad), ♥Lionel Brown, ♥Chris Ukanwoke, ♥Diane Vitacco, ♥Heather Manning (friend of Kim Neri), ♥SofiaRose Curry (relative of Sing Larson), ♥Edie Zipperlen, ♥Mary Flynn (mom) and Maureen Andersen (daughter), ♥Manny Kurz, ♥Debbielee Thomsen, ♥Cliff McBride (friend of Debbielee Thomsen), ♥Everol Palmer (son of Enid Simpson), ♥Carol Whyte, ♥Winston Scarlett (brother-in-law of Maudlyn Scarlett), ♥Jennifer LaRochelle (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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