Grace United Methodist Church



July 27, 2025 - 10:00AM

Order of Worship – 7th Sunday after Pentecost

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

*Please Stand If You Are Able

Opening Voluntary - "Psalm" by Gordon Young

Welcome/Greetings

Choral Introit

*Opening Hymn #77 – "How Great Thou Art"

HOW GREAT THOU ART

*Call to Worship

L: Before we even knock,

P: Christ opens the doors and invites us in.

L: Before we even ask,

P: God knows our every need.

L: Come to seek; come to pray; come to worship,

P: for the Spirit has called us here.

*Opening Prayer

Christ Jesus, we come to your house this day, knocking and asking that the door may be opened. We come seeking your face and yearning for your presence in our lives. Open the door of our hearts, as you have opened the doors of your church. Lift our faces, that we may see your face shining upon us. Answer our yearning, that our restive hearts may find their rest in you. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

Grow in our lives, Christ Jesus. Make our hearts larger with each gift of your grace. Make our spirits stronger with each moment of your mercy. As you fill our lives with your presence, fill our hearts with your love, that we might grow into your likeness. As we grow in your love, may we give our love and grace as freely as you have generously given your love to us. Amen.

Words of Assurance

In the grace of Christ, we are connected to God's love, both now and forevermore. Amen.

Passing of the Peace of Christ

In faithful love, let us share signs of peace and kindness with one another.

Children's Message

Rev. Gunshik Shim

Scriptures

Old Testament Reading – Hosea 1: 2-10 (New International Version)

² When the Lord began to speak through Hosea, the Lord said to him, "Go, marry a promiscuous woman and have children with her, for like an adulterous wife this land is guilty of unfaithfulness to the Lord." ³So he married Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son. ⁴ Then the Lord said to Hosea, "Call him Jezreel, because I will soon punish the house of Jehu for the massacre at Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of Israel. ⁵ In that day I will break Israel's bow in the Valley of Jezreel." ⁶ Gomer conceived again and gave birth to a daughter. Then the Lord said to Hosea, "Call her Lo-Ruhamah (which means "not loved"), for I will no longer show love to Israel, that I should at all forgive them. ⁷ Yet I will show love to Judah; and I will save them—not by bow, sword or battle, or by horses and horsemen, but I, the Lord their God, will save them." ⁸ After she had weaned Lo-Ruhamah, Gomer had another son. ⁹ Then the Lord said, "Call him Lo-Ammi (which means "not my people"), for you are not my people, and I am not your God. 10 "Yet the Israelites will be like the sand on the seashore, which cannot be measured or counted. In the place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people,' they will be called 'children of the living God.'

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

*Gospel Reading - Luke 11:1-13

(New International Version)

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples." ² He said to them, "When you pray, say: "Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. ³ Give us each day our daily bread. ⁴ Forgive us our sins, for we

also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation." ⁵ Then Jesus said to them, "Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶ a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.' ⁷ And suppose the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.' ⁸ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity he will surely get up and give you as much as you need. ⁹ "So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹ "Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? ¹² Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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*Hymn before Message #369 – "Blessed Assurance"

ASSURANCE

Message - "A Call to Repentance"

Rev. Gunshik Shim

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Tithes and Offering

We have been gifted and loved generously by God. In turn, may we share our gifts and love through God's work in the world.

Offertory - "God on the Mountain" by Tracy Dartt/Lynda Randle ~performed by Pat Eshun~

*Prayer of Dedication

God of love and justice, our hearts are filled with gratitude for all that you have given us. As we share these gifts with you, bless them and our ministries, that they may bring love and justice to your world. Amen.

^{*}Hymn No. 95 - Presentation of the Offering

^{*}Closing Hymn #572 – "Pass It On"

*Dismissal with Blessing

Closing Voluntary - "Holiday" by Gordon Young

(Please remain seated for the Closing Voluntary)

Message Given By: Rev. Gunshik Shim

Liturgist/Reader: Katherine Perkins

Director of Music: Drew Banzhoff

Counting Team: Everett Fitch

Ushers: Everett Fitch, Carol Provenzano, Michael Provenzano

Audio-Tech: Brandon Gauntlett

✓ George and Jeanne Simmons, ♥Al Williams, his wife Cheryl and family (friends of Debbielee Thomsen), ♥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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