Grace United Methodist Church



August 24, 2025 - 10:00AM

Order of Worship – 10th 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 - "I Love to Tell the Story"

HANKEY

Welcome/Greetings

Choral Introit

*Opening Hymn #144 - "This Is My Father's World"

TERRA BEATA

*Call to Worship

- L: The Lord is our rock and our refuge.
- P: God is our fortress in times of trouble.
- L: The Holy One saves us from the hand of the wicked.
- P: God delivers us from our foes.
- L: Christ heals us from our infirmities.
- P: The Spirit frees us from the chains that bind us.
- L: Rest in the Source of our refuge and our strength.

*Opening Prayer

Great Healer, we are beaten down by life's suffering. Make us whole, O God, and help us share your healing with the world. Free us from the demons that shackle our spirits, and set us free from the chains that binds us, that we may help break the chains of others. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, you knew us before we were conceived. You called us as your own while we were still in our mothers' wombs. Keep watch over us, we pray, for we long to return to your ways. Restore our confidence in times of doubt, for we yearn to be the people you would have us be. Grant us the confidence to go forth unafraid, that we might bless the world through your presence in our lives. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Touch our mouths to speak your truths. Touch our lives to make your ways known to the world. In this we are free. In this we are made whole. In this we shine as your beloved children, strengthened for the journey.

Passing of the Peace of Christ

God is our refuge and our strength, the very foundation of our lives. Rest in this knowledge and share the joy of God's love as you exchange signs of Christ's peace with one another.

Children's Message

Rev. Eumin Kim

Scriptures

Old Testament – Psalm 103:1-8

(New International Version)

¹ Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. ² Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits—³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, ⁴ who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, ⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. ⁶ The Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed. ⁷ He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel: ⁸ The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

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

*Gospel Reading – Luke 13:10-17

(New International Version)

¹⁰ On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, ¹¹ and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, "Woman, you are set free from your infirmity." ¹³ Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God. ¹⁴ Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, "There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not

on the Sabbath." ¹⁵ The Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Doesn't each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? ¹⁶ Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?" ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.

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*Hymn before the Sermon #2193 - "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

(sing twice)

CHILDREN PRAYING

~The Faith We Sing Hymnal~

Sermon – "The One Who Sets Us Free"

Rev. Eumin Kim

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Tithes and Offering

Christ reminds us that our treasures, our gifts from God, are most beneficial when they are used for the kingdom of God.

Anthem - "Oh, It Is Jesus" by Andraé Crouch ~sung by Charmaine Wilson King~

God of power and might, in times of trial, you are our fortress and our refuge. In thanksgiving and praise for your wonderful gifts, we offer you our tithes and offerings, that others might know the strength of your unshakable kingdom. Amen.

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

^{*}Prayer of Dedication

^{*}Closing Hymn #371 - "I Stand Amazed in the Presence" MY SAVIOR'S LOVE

^{*}Dismissal with Blessing

(Please remain seated for the Closing Voluntary)

Pastor: Rev. Eumin Kim

Counting Team: Debbie Nicosia

Liturgist/Reader: Kim Neri

Ushers: Everett Fitch, Carol

Director of Music: Drew Banzhoff

Provenzano, Michael Provenzano

Audio-Tech: Brandon Gauntlett

♣Family of Teresa Maame Duku Graham (sister of Pat Eshun), ♥Kalli Medina (student of Naomi Brown), ♥Barbara Woodford, ♥Pat Panzarino, ♥Sonia Elliott, ♥Amanda Brown (Naomi Brown's mother), ♥Diane Rutledge (Naomi Brown's aunt), ♥George and Jeanne Simmons, ♥Al Williams, his wife Cheryl and family (friends of Debbielee Thomsen), ♥Maudlyn Scarlett, ♥Marianne Pike, ♥All the victims/survivors of the horrendous floods in Texas. Verry Noble (Tom Noble's dad), Velionel Brown, Vehris Ukanwoke, Vehr 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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