

Grace United Methodist Church



September 21, 2025 - 10:00AM

Order of Worship – 15th 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 Praise Music – Hymn #585 "This Little Light of Mine," Hymn #494
Kum Ba Yah," and Hymn #512 "Stand By Me"**

Welcome/Greetings

***Call to Worship**

L: Praise the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary.

P: Praise him in his mighty heavens.

L: Praise him for his acts of power. Praise him for his surpassing greatness.

P: Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet. Praise him with the harp and lyre.

L: Praise him with timbrel and dancing. Praise him with the strings and pipe,

P: Praise him with the clash of cymbals. Praise him with resounding cymbals.

L: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

P: Praise the Lord!

***Opening Prayer**

God of grace, You have made our minds, so help us to know you. You have made our hearts, so help us to love you. You have made our voices, so help us to sing your praise. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, so together we may celebrate your glory and worship you in spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Eumin Kim

In confessing our sins, the burden of guilt is lifted, and our souls find peace. Let us silently confess our sins before God, who desires to restore our relationship with both God and neighbor (*Pause as we silently confess our sins before the Lord*)

Words of Assurance

Rev. Eumin Kim

In the mighty name of Jesus Christ, and through the power of His cleansing blood, you are forgiven. Amen.

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Christ's peace is found in hearts that are turned to God. Let us find deep and abiding peace, as we share a moment of grace with one another.

Westminster Ringers - "Lord, I want to be a Christian" a spiritual arr. by Linda McKechnie

Children's Message

Rev. Eumin Kim

Scriptures

Old Testament – Psalm 13 (NIV)

¹ How long, Lord? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me? ² How long must I wrestle with my thoughts and day after day have sorrow in my heart? How long will my enemy triumph over me? ³ Look on me and answer, Lord my God. Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep in death, ⁴ and my enemy will say, "I have overcome him," and my foes will rejoice when I fall. ⁵ But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. ⁶ I will sing the Lord's praise, for he has been good to me.

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

*** Gospel Reading – Luke 16:1-13 (NIV)**

Jesus told his disciples: “There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. ² So he called him in and asked him, ‘What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management because you cannot be manager any longer.’ ³ “The manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I’m not strong enough to dig, and I’m ashamed to beg— ⁴ I know what I’ll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.’ ⁵ “So he called in each one of his master’s debtors. He asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶ “‘Nine hundred gallons of olive oil,’ he replied. “The manager told him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred and fifty.’ ⁷ “Then he asked the second, ‘And how much do you owe?’ “‘A thousand bushels of wheat,’ he replied. “He told him, ‘Take your bill and make it eight hundred.’ ⁸ “The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. ⁹ I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings. ¹⁰ “Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. ¹¹ So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? ¹² And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else’s property, who will give you property of your own? ¹³ “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

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*** Hymn before the Sermon #2086 – “Open Our Eyes” (sing twice)**

The Faith We Sing Hymnal

OPEN OUR EYES

Sermon – “Using Temporary Wealth for Eternal Purposes” Rev. Eumin Kim

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Invitation to Tithes and Offering

As God has so richly blessed us, let us return a portion of these blessings to God, asking that In gratitude for all the abundant blessings you have showered upon us, we celebrate as we receive our morning offering. Amen.

Anthem – “Every Valley” by John Ness Beck

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

*** Prayer of Dedication**

You call us to be wise with our riches, O God, that your realm may be blessed for the benefit of all. May we be found faithful in a little, that you may entrust us to be faithful in much. We offer you these gifts in gratitude for your love. May they bring your healing and light to those who need the balm of Gilead. Amen.

*** Closing Hymn #404 – “Every Time I Feel the Spirit”**

PENTECOST

*** Dismissal with Blessing**

Closing Voluntary - “Toccata of the Intervals, Op. 33, No. 4,” by Drew Banzhoff

(Please remain seated for the Closing Voluntary)

Pastors: Rev. Eumin Kim Rev. Prumeh Lee	Counting Team: Marisa Pershad
Liturgist/Reader: Walter McKnight	Ushers: Everett Fitch, Carol Provenzano, Michael Provenzano
Director of Music: Drew Banzhoff	Audio-Tech: Brandon Gauntlett

GIVE BLOOD, GIVE LIFE. On September 24, 2025, from 2:30pm - 7:30pm, we will be hosting our Fall Blood Drive in the Education Building Gym. Please search your heart to find time to donate a portion of yourself to save a life for those in need. Everyone sometime or another is in need of this life saving gift of blood. Giving of yourself for the benefit of others is what our Lord asks of us all. Please ask you family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors to help save a life; do what you can when you can. Dinner will be served from 5-7pm to all donors and their families. Come on down for some food, fun, and fellowship; gather together for this life saving mission. We can all help. Even if you cannot donate, there are other ways to help make our drive a success: serving dinner, welcoming donors, or making some phone calls to established donors. Please contact Bob DiSalvo at 516/318-9106 and may God Bless you.



♥Kalli Medina (student of Naomi Brown), ♥Barbara Woodford, ♥Pat Panzarino, ♥Sonia Elliott, ♥Family of Darreyl Avery Johnson, ♥Amanda Brown (Naomi Brown's mother), ♥Diane Rutledge (Naomi Brown's aunt), ♥George and Jeanne Simmons, ♥Maudlyn Scarlett, ♥Marianne and Don 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), ♥Everon 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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