

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

We at Grace United Methodist Church, affirming ourselves to be a part of Christ's Holy Church and empowered by the Holy Spirit, do seek to honor and glorify God through sharing our gifts, talents, and service, thereby responding to God's command to take His love to all people.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

YOGA: Monday & Thursday, 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

BIBLE STUDY: Sunday, 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Continuing the study of Revelation.

Weekly Budget **\$4,117.00**
Weekly Income **\$6,685.00** **162.38%**



James E. Swanson, Sr.
Bishop
Lindsey Robinson District Superintendent
Linda Fox – Pastor
Dale Young Music Director
Darlene Gilbert Accompanist

A United Methodist Congregation

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January 10, 2021 **Baptism of the Lord Sunday** **10:00 a.m.**
Service of Word and Table

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Prelude	Accompanist
Entering in the Light	Acolyte
Life of the Congregation	Pastor
Call to Worship	Psalm 29

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name
worship the Lord in holy splendor
The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the Lord, upon many waters.
The voice of the Lord is powerful,
the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

**Stand Physically/Or in Spirit*

Invocation Pastor

*Hymn of Praise “*Breathe on Me Breath of God*” See Insert

Prayers of the People

Leader: Lord in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

*The Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

*Hymn of Preparation “*Spirit of the Living God*” See Insert

Old Testament Reading Genesis 1:1-5 Virginia Salmon

*Gospel Reading Mark 1:4-11 Virginia Salmon

New Testament Reading Acts 19:1-7 Pastor

Sermon “*Baptism of the Holy Spirit*” Pastor

Celebrating Holy Communion

*Prayer of Confession

Leader & People: Almighty God, we confess that we are often swept up in the tide of our generation. We have failed in our calling to be your holy people, a people set apart for your divine purpose. We live more in apathy born of fatalism than in passion born of hope. We are moved more by private ambition than by social justice. We dream more of privilege and benefits than of service and sacrifice. We try to speak in your name without relinquishing our glories, without nourishing of souls, without relying wholly on your grace. Help us to make room in our hearts and lives for you. Forgive us, revive us, and reshape us in your image. Amen.

All pray in silence.

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet Sinners; that proves God’s love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God! Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

*Hymn of Celebration “*Spirit Song*” See Insert

*Benediction Pastor

Going Forth in the Light Acolyte

*Postlude Accompanist

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Please remain in your pew until the light is carried out.

Please discard bulletins and inserts that you do not wish to keep in the trash receptacles in the Narthex. Offering plates are on either side of the back door, please drop your offering in as you enter or exit! Thanks!

Acolyte
Usher

Charles Feltus
Buddy Wade

If you are visiting with us here at Grace UMC, we hope you will feel welcome, and will encounter God’s grace in this service.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Breathe on Me Breath of God”

Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost love, and do what
thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,
Until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine,
Till all this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,
But live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Spirit of the Living God”

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
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Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
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O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love. Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. O let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit like a dove will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Refrain

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

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O come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy. Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name. O give him all your tears and sadness; give him all your years of pain, and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.

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