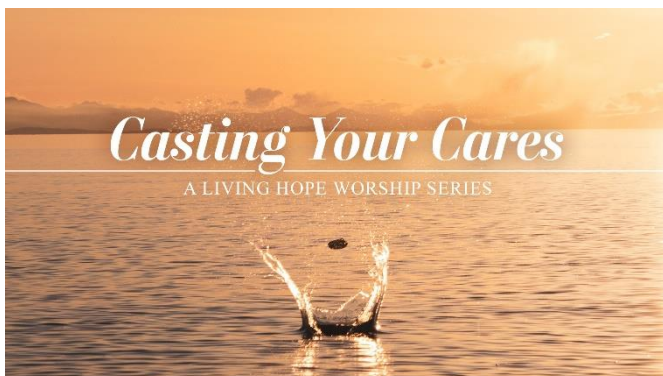


Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church!!

Sunday – May 21, 2023 – 9:00 am



Meditation Verse: *"Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you."* – 1st Peter 5:7

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Order of Worship

*Welcome and Opening Prayer

Call to Worship:

Leader: Beloved, let us worship God!

People: Let us give praise to God, the one who rides upon the clouds!

Leader: Parent to orphans and Protector of widows,

People: God gives the desolate a home and leads the imprisoned into prosperity.

Leader: As God led the Israelites through the wilderness and provided for them,

People: We too find our dwelling in God's goodness and provision.

Leader: The Rider in the heavens speaks throughout creation;

**People: We gather to listen and ascribe power to God!
Awesome is God in the sanctuary of creation! All
blessings be to God! Amen.**

*Passing of the Peace

*Hymn #89 – Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Scriptures: Psalm 68:1-10 and 1st Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11

*Hymn #369 – I Surrender All

Kids Message

Message: "Casting Your Cares"

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

- Song: Above All

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Announcements

***Closing Songs:**

- Shout to the Lord
- How Great Is Our God/How Great Thou Art

***Blessing**

*(*Please stand if you are able.)*

GPS – Grow, Pray, Study

- 1) *Grow.* In your walk of faith, when have you most needed to cast your cares upon Jesus? What was the outcome of doing this? What changed in your faith?
- 2) *Pray.* As you consider your current cares, fears, anxieties, what rises to the top of your mind or heart? Take these to the one who cares for you.
- 3) *Study.* Read Acts 1:1-11. When have you sensed Jesus or the Holy Spirit telling you to wait or to just be patient?

Next Week's Lectionary Readings:

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Acts 2:1-21

John 20:19-23

1st Corinthians 12:3b-13

To go a little deeper
with these readings
each day this week,
please go to:
pastorjohnb.org

Next Sunday's Message: "He Breathed on Them" - Two Pentecosts – two events, two stories, two experiences. In John 20 Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit onto the disciples. They receive a peace from the risen Christ. The Spirit leads them out; the church grows. Gathered in Jerusalem, partaking in the festival of Pentecost, the Spirit blows into town, creating quite a stir. The 'divided' flames unite the church, binding them together as one, bringing these too a peace. This peace – we need this peace. We long for this peace. Come and worship, come and receive. Lean into the power of the Spirit. Trust it. Receive It.

This Week at Grace

- Sunday – 8:00 AM – *No Adult Sunday School*
- Wednesday - 5:30 PM - A Living Hope - Fellowship Hall
- Thursday – 6:00 PM – Men’s Group – Fellowship Hall
- Friday – 6:30 AM – Women’s Study – Fellowship Hall

Announcements:

The May Mission of the Month will go to the Bishops Miracle Offering, for “Road of Hope.” Funds will go to Helpline of South Dakota and FirstLink of North Dakota. Both offer help to people with rent, food, and so forth. Both also offer mental health crisis hotlines. This offering is in response to the increasing number of suicide attempts and deaths, as well as the mental crisis in our nation.

Please consider signing up to serve on a Sunday morning. Simply choose a Sunday that is convenient for you and sign up on the sheets opposite the drinking fountains! Thank you for serving.

May God Bless you throughout the coming week!!