

Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church!!

Sunday – February 5, 2023 – 9:00 am



Meditation Verse: *“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill.” – Matthew 5:17*

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Order of Worship

*Welcome and Opening Prayer

Call to Worship:

Leader: We are called to bring a new understanding of God: that God so loves the world.

People: We are the salt of the earth..

Leader: We are called to bring a new hope in God: that God gives us new life.

People: We are the light of the world.

Leader: We are called to follow the commandments and the law.

People: The Law of God is to love God and to love one another.

Leader: Come, let us be the salt of the earth, the light of the world.

People: Come, let us love one another with the love of God. Let us join together in our love of God to worship and follow Jesus.

*Passing of the Peace

*Hymns #206 – I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Scripture: Matthew 5:13-20

*Hymn #572 – Pass It On

Kids Message

Message: "You Are"

Holy Communion and the Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings
- Song: In Christ Alone

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*Closing Songs:

- In the Secret
- Lay Me Down

*Announcements

*Blessing

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

GPS – Grow, Pray, Study

- 1) *Grow*. When have you “dared” to take your faith our there into the big, bad world? How did stepping out in faith lead to growth in your faith?
- 2) *Pray*. We are called to help things grow. Who do you know that needs a little of your light or your salt? Pray for guidance and direction to reach this person..
- 3) *Study*. Read Psalm 56. How do these words reassure you and empower you to undertake the challenging call to be salt and light to the world?

Next Week's Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 58:1-12
Psalm 112:1-10
1 Corinthians 2:1-16
Matthew 5:13-20

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

Next Sunday's Message:

"But I Say" - Continuing in the Beatitudes, Jesus raises the standard of behavior. In essence, Jesus is asking us not simply to follow the rules but to consider how our behaviors and choices and attitudes affect and impact the wider community. Like us, Jesus lived in a rules-based society. So he decided to take a look at the rules. As he does, Jesus is inviting us to realize something about ourselves and about our relationships. He elevates these rules to higher ways to live in community. Jesus' "but I say" statements each call us towards creating a community that reflects the kin-dom of God.

This Week at Grace:

- Sunday – 8:00 AM – Adult Sunday School – Education Wing
- Sunday – 6:00 PM Youth Group
- Monday – 3:00 PM – After School Program
- Tuesday – 3:00 PM Art with Heart
- Tuesday – 6:00 PM – Grief Support Group
- Wednesday – 1:00 PM – Grief Support Group
- Thursday – 5:30 PM – Men’s Study – Fellowship Hall
- Friday – 6:30 AM – Women’s Study – Fellowship Hall

Announcements:

Our February Mission of the Month is Camps/Mission. In addition, Camp Sunday will be next February 12, with the new director at Storm Mountain Center, Tanner Clark, joining us.

The annual Chili Cook-Off contest and the Sweet Eats and Treats will be held on Sunday, February 19. Start thinking about your best chili and sweet eats recipes!

The Girl Scouts will have Cookies available to purchase on Sunday, February 26. Let’s support our Scouts!

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!!