

## Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church!!

Sunday – January 15, 2023 – 9:00 am



SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

### Not Lacking

Glimpses of the Kin-dom Worship Series

**Meditation Verse:** *“To those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints... Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.” – 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 1:2-3*

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Lisa Teachout

and Julie Marsland

## **Order of Worship**

\*Welcome and Opening Prayer

### **Call to Worship:**

Leader: I waited patiently for GOD; who turned to me and heard my cry, who lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; and set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.

**People: We sing a new song! Our mouths are full of the praise of God.**

Leader: Blessed are we when we make the Lord our trust; when we do not turn aside to false gods.

**People: We sing of all your many wonders, O God, too many to declare them all.**

Leader: Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but our ears you have pierced and a body you have prepared for us.

**People: We sing, "Here I am, I have come — I desire to do your will, O my God; your law is in my heart."**

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Hymns #133 - Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Scriptures: Psalm 40:1-11 and 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 1:1-9

\*Hymn #585 - This Little Light of Mine

Kids Message

Message: "Not Lacking"

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

- Song: Come as You Are

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

\*Closing Songs: Shout to the Lord & Forever

\*Announcements

\*Blessing

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

## **GPS – Grow, Pray, Study**

- 1) *Grow*. How or when has your faith sought to bring good or to relieve a hardship for someone other than yourself? Why are we called to this kin-dom work?
- 2) *Pray*. “Saint” – *one who recognizes their need for a savior*. Pray for God to be at work in your heart so that you know this and live this ideal better and better.
- 3) *Study*. Read Matthew 4:1-11. How might these temptations empower Jesus in his efforts to build up a community of faith?

### Next Week’s Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 9:1-4  
Psalm 27:1, 4-9  
1 Corinthians 1:10-18  
Matthew 4:12-23

To go a little deeper  
with these readings  
each day this week,  
please go to:  
[pastorjohnb.org](http://pastorjohnb.org)

## **Next Sunday's Message:**

"Have the Same Mind" - In our Epistle reading, Paul says, "Have the same mind." He then implores the church to "be united in the same mind and the same purpose." This is difficult because it seems that differences are inevitable when dealing with human beings. Paul calls them, and us, "brothers and sisters." He says we are connected, we are united, and we are the family that was created not by blood, but by the life and witness and death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Yes, there are ways we will go about making our arguments and thoughts known; there are behaviors that we cannot accept as we seek reconciliation and new understandings. And in a way, Paul is asking us to consider how our inner squabbles look to the wider world. The call to watch how we live out our faith is clear. We must live in grace always.

**This Week at Grace:**

- Sunday – 8:00 AM – Adult Sunday School – Education Wing
- Monday – 3:00 PM – *No After School Program*
- Tuesday – 3:00 PM – Art with Heart
- Tuesday – 6:00 PM – Grief Support Group – Fellowship
- Wednesday – 1:00 PM – Grief Support Group – Fellowship
- Wednesday – 6:00 PM – Grace Small Group – Fellowship
- Thursday – 5:30 PM – Men’s Study – Fellowship Hall
- Friday – 6:30 AM – Women’s Study – Fellowship Hall

**Announcements:**

Our January Mission of the Month is the “Women’s and Children’s Home.

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!!**