

Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church!!

Sunday – March 22, 2026 – 9:00 am



Meditation Verse: *“He asked me, “Human one, can these bones live again?” I said, “Lord God, only you know.”*
- Ezekiel 37:3

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Order of Worship

Welcome and Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn #57 – O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Call to Worship:

Leader: Some of us came to worship today, weary and worn, heavy with all the circumstances that are too much to bear alone.

People: We gather to travel God's redemption road together.

Leader: Some of us come to worship today, dry and thirsty, longing for relief and peace from the troubles that surround us.

People: We gather to travel God's redemption road together.

Leader: Some of us come to worship today with stories to tell of little resurrections, moments of new life that sprang up when we least expected them.

People: We gather to travel God's redemption road together.

Leader: Beloved, whatever we bring with us to worship today, God welcomes us and calls us to work together as we travel God's redemption road together.

People: We gather to be truth-tellers and life-bringers as we travel God's redemption road together. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

*Hymn #500 – Softly and Tenderly

Scriptures: Ezekiel 37:1-14 and John 11:17-27 and 39

Kids Message

Message "Redemption Road"

*Song of Response – Salvation Is Here

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Announcements

*Closing Song – I'll Fly Away

*Blessing

*(Please stand as you are able.)

GPS – Grow, Pray, Study

- 1) *Grow*. What stone is blocking you from growing closer to Christ? What stone is preventing you from helping others grow closer to Christ? How can you roll it away?
- 2) *Pray*. Do you know anyone who carries sorrow for sin and cannot seem to move past it? How might you or someone speak God's forgiveness to that person? Seek guidance in times of prayer this week.
- 3) *Study*. Read John 11:28-38 and 40-46... the "rest of the story." What does Jesus' different response to the same question tell us about our Lord? What impact does Lazarus coming out of the tomb have on those there that day? What impact does it have on you?

This Week's Scripture Readings:

March 23 – Psalm 31:9-16

March 24 – Isaiah 50:4-9a

March 25 – Philippians 2:5-11

March 26 – Matthew 26:6-13

March 27 – Matthew 26:30-35, 69-75

March 28 – Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

March 29 – Matthew 2:1-11

To go a little deeper into the reading for each day this week, go to pastorjohnb.org

Next Sunday's Message: "Marching Orders" – Palm Sunday – Even as we face the truth about the sin and evil of our world and the violence and harm brought, we turn to Psalm 118 to sing of God's steadfast love. In Matthew, there is a decision to be made: Do we follow Jesus' words, joining in the dangerous parade? Or do we stand on the roadside as he passes by, maybe waving a branch, saying, "Hosanna!"

This Week at Grace

- Sun. - 8 AM – Adult Sunday School – SS Room
- Sun. - 9 AM – Worship (in person or online) – Sanctuary
- Mon. - 3 PM – Grace Kids – Fellowship Hall
- Tues. - 3 PM – Art with Heart – Fellowship Hall
- Wed. - 7:45 AM – Women’s Small Group – SS Room
- Wed. - 1 PM – Midweek Chat – Chapel
- Wed. - 6 PM – Youth Group – Fellowship Hall
- Thur. - 5:30 PM – Men’s Bible Study – Fellowship Hall
- Fri. - 6:30 AM – Ladies’ Bible Study - Chapel

Upcoming Happenings at Grace

- TODAY – 10:30 AM - Chili Contest and Sweet Eats
and Treats Auction
- March 29 – 9 AM - Palm Sunday
- April 2 – 6 PM – Maundy Thursday Worship
- April 3 – 6 PM – Good Friday Worship
- April 5 – 6:30 AM and 9 AM – Easter Worship

Announcements:

The Mission of the month for March is for an AED – a portable, life-saving device.

To make a one-time gift to Grace UMC or to the Mission of the Month (or to set up a recurring gift), please scan the QR code. Thank you for your generosity and support!



Please check the sign-up sheets across the hall from the drinking fountains to see when YOU could serve as a greeter, reader, or treat provider.

May God bless you throughout the coming week!!