

## Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church!!

Sunday – May 18, 2025 – 9:00 am



Meditation Verse: *"Don't be afraid, Daniel, because from the day you first set your mind to understand things and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard."*  
- Daniel 10:12

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## Order of Worship

Welcome and Opening Prayer

\*Opening Hymn #451 – Be Thou My Vision

### Call to Worship:

Reader: To You, O Lord, we lift up our hearts!

**People: In You we trust! Do not let us be put to shame.**

Reader: Our God is full of compassionate love.

**People: He brings sinners back to His way, and teaches the humble the way they should go.**

Reader: Show us the right path, O Lord;

**People: Point out the way for us to follow.**

Reader: Lead us by Your truth, and teach us, for You are the God who saves.

**People: We put our hope in You!**

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Hymn #400 – Come Thou Font of Every Blessing

A Modern Affirmation of Faith

Scripture: Daniel 10:8-19

Kids Message

Message: "Think Long: Praying into the Future"

\*Song of Response: Sweetly Broken

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Announcements

\*Closing Song: Kids' Choir – I'm So Blessed

\*Blessing

\*(Please stand as you are able.)

## **GPS – Grow, Pray, Study**

- 1) *Grow*. How are you currently praying into the future? Is it for your children or for something else? What “fruit” do you hope to see from these prayer seeds?
- 2) *Pray*. Discouragement can come easily at times in our prayer life. This week, pray the first part of Daniel 10:19 over yourself and your loved one.
- 3) *Study*. Read Daniel 10:20 through the end of the book. Does this vision bring you hope or fear, joy or trembling? How does this vision connect to Revelation?

### **This Week's *Circle Maker* Readings:**

May 19 — Psalm 67

May 20 — Genesis 2:4b-9

May 21 — Acts 16:9-15

May 22 — John 14:23-29

May 23 — Ezekiel 47:6-12

May 24 — Revelation 21:10 and 22-27

**May 25 — Revelation 22:1-5**

To go a little deeper into the reading for each day this week, go to [pastorjohnb.org](http://pastorjohnb.org)

**Next Sunday's Message:** "Tree of Life" - This week in our readings we journey into the Holy City, to the tree of life, where we can reflect on the peace inherent in the gospel. The tree of life and these texts draw us to the very place of peace, sustained by the generosity and grace of God. In the Bible and in many cultures, the tree of life signifies wisdom, kinship, nourishment, and abundance. Its leaves are for the healing of nations, for healing us.

### This Week at Grace

- Sun. – 8:00 AM – Adult Sunday School (*LAST one*)
- Thur. – 5:30 PM – Men's Group – Fellowship Hall
- Fri. – 6:30 AM – Women's Study – SS Room

### Upcoming Happenings at Grace

- May 21 – 3 PM – VBS Planning Meeting
- May 28 – 6 PM – Summer with Seuss – Picnic Shelter

### Announcements

The Mission of the month for May is Bishop's Miracle Offering. This year's special offering at Annual Conference will support UMCOR.

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.

Don't forget the church garden! Helpers are welcome on Wednesday evenings@6 and Saturday morning@9.

Please keep food and drinks in Fellowship Hall. Thank You!

Save the Date – August 11-13 – VBS 2025

**May God bless you throughout the coming week!!**