

Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church!!

Sunday – May 28, 2023 – 9:00 am



Meditation Verse: *"When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'"*

– John 20:22

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Order of Worship

*Welcome and Opening Prayer

Call to Worship:

Leader: Like the disciples, we gather in this space, united by our relationship with the Risen Christ.

People: We come ready to receive what God has to give.

Leader: Just as tongues of fire descended on the disciples,

People: We receive the gift of the Spirit's power and inspiration.

Leader: Just as the resurrected Christ breathed the Spirit onto the disciples,

People: We receive the gift of the Spirit's peace and wisdom.

Leader: As the lifegiving and peacemaking Holy Spirit blazes through us today,

People: We receive the gift of the Spirit's fire that unites us as the Body of Christ. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

*Hymn 555 - Forward Through the Ages

Scriptures: John 20:19-23 and Acts 2:1-21

*Hymn #347 - Spirit Song

Kids Message

Message: "He Breathed on Them"

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

- Song: Holy Spirit, Rain Down

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Announcements

*Closing Songs:

- All of Creation
- God of this City (Valley)

*Blessing

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

GPS – Grow, Pray, Study

1) *Grow*. As you think back over your recent faith journey, when has the Spirit breathed on you? How did it lead or guide or direct your life or decisions?

2) *Pray*. Where does the Spirit need to fall in your life? Pray for God's action.

3) *Study*. Read Acts 2:37-42. What do you think led these Jews to be "cut to the heart?" What was Peter's response? How might this one day be your response?

Next Week's Lectionary Readings:

Genesis 1:1-2:4

Psalms 8

2 Corinthians 13:11--13

Matthew 28:16-20

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

Next Sunday's Message: "Go Therefore" - On Trinity Sunday we touch on the creation story and on the Great Commission. In the process of creation, God through Christ made the world and invited us to participate in the ongoing process of creation. As we join in, we are also called to 'go.' Jesus sent the disciples and he send us out into the world, sent to live out our faith in intentional and outwardly focused ways. Jesus sends us out to enter into relationships, to live alongside one another, to find space to tell others what makes us the fully alive people that we are.

This Week at Grace

- Wednesday – 5:30 PM – Discipleship Group
- 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 First Link 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!!