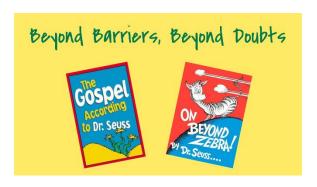
#### **Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church!!**

Sunday - August 24, 2025 - 9:00 am



Meditation Verse: "Abraham said, "The lamb for the entirely burned offering? God will see to it, my son." - Genesis 22:8

#### Grace United Methodist Church

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Digital Campus Host	Kristin Britt
Audio/Visual	Steve Hilton
Lay Leader	Prairie Walkling
Pianist	Julie Marsland

#### Order of Worship

Welcome and Opening Prayer

\*Opening Hymn: #140 - Great Is Thy Faithfulness

# Call to Worship:

Leader: We are met in the presence of God

People: And we do not meet alone.

Leader: With the angels in the highest heaven **People: We gather to worship the Lord.** 

Leader: With Abraham and Isaac

People: We gather to worship the Lord.

Leader: With the saints of every age

People: We gather to worship the Lord.

Leader: We embark on our own journey of faith

People: God's Holy name be praised. Leader: God makes of us a great people People: God's Holy name be praised.

Leader: In the desert and in the den, in barrio and basilica

People: God's Holy name be praised. Leader: We journey in the presence of God. People: And we do not journey alone.

\*Song: The Wonderful Cross

Scriptures: Genesis 22:1-8 and 15-18

Kids Message

Message: "Beyond Barriers, Beyond Doubts"

\*Songs of Response: Thy Word

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

<sup>\*</sup>Passing of the Peace

#### Announcements

\*Closing Song: All the People Said Amen

\*Blessings

\*(Please stand as you are able.)

### GPS - Grow, Pray, Study

- 1) Grow. How has stepping outside of your comfort zone, past barriers or doubts, changed your faith? How could sharing your story help others to grow in faith?
- 2) Pray. Where or to whom is God calling, whispering, nudging you in your walk of faith? Spend some time in prayer this week seeking next steps and Holy Spirit guidance.
- 3) Study. Read Matthew 4:23-25. How do you think the disciples felt following these first experiences after leaving the boat to follow Jesus? How might you experience similar things if you were to "step out of the boat" this week?

# This Week's Gospel and Seuss Readings:

Monday: Matthew 19:16-22 Week 13

Tuesday: Isaiah 45:2-7

Wednesday: Luke 12:13-21

Thursday: Job 20:19-29

Friday: Ecclesiastes 6:1-9

Saturday: Matthew 6:19-29

Sunday: Matthew 6:9-11

Dr. Seuss: The Grinch Who Stole Christmas (again)

To go a little deeper into the reading for each day this week, go to pastorjohnb.org Next Sunday's Message: Living in a materialistic culture, we can easily equate possessions with happiness and contentment. In that place, though, all we want is more. But for some, their "stuff" matters little. Faith, those we love, other things that do not come from a store – here we find true happiness and contentment.

#### This Week at Grace

- Wed. 1:00 PM Midweek Chat Chapel
- Wed. 6:00 PM Summer with Seuss Picnic Shelter
- Thur. 5:30 PM Men's Group Fellowship Hall
- Fri. 6:30 AM Women's Study SS Room

## <u>Upcoming Happenings at Grace</u>

- Aug. 27 – 6:00 PM – Summer with Seuss – Picnic Shelter

#### **Announcements**

The Mission of the month for August is Piedmont Fire/EMT.

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!

May God bless you throughout the coming week!!