

Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church!!

Sunday – March 12, 2023 – 9:00 am



Meditation Verse: *“Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.” – John 4:13-14*

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Order of Worship

*Welcome and Opening Prayer

Call to Worship:

Leader: Welcome pilgrims on the way to the cross.

People: We are learning to follow Jesus.

Leader: The way is long, and we are thirsty.

People: We seek the living waters of Jesus.

Leader: We feel the weight of scarcity warring with hopeful whispers of abundance.

People: We need the living waters of Jesus.

Leader: We wonder if God will provide us with what we need, *here and now*.

People: As God gives us the living waters of Jesus, so God calls us to quench the thirst and meet the needs of our neighbors.

Leader: Pilgrims on the way, come let us worship God!

People: We come to worship God as we learn to live inside out! Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

*Hymn #361 – Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Scripture: John 4:5-30, 39-42

*Hymn #2071 - Jesus, Name Above All Names

Kids Message

Message: "Give Me Water"

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

- Hymn #2244 - People Need the Lord

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*Announcements

*Closing Songs:

- You Never Let Go
- Love the Lord

*Blessing

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

GPS – Grow, Pray, Study

- 1) *Grow*. What thirst is there deep within your soul, one that only Jesus can fill?
- 2) *Pray*. Looking outside of yourself, who might the Spirit be guiding you meet, to connect with, to hear their story?
- 3) *Study*. Read John 6:25-35. What draws the crowd back to Jesus? Instead of food that spoils, what does Jesus offer? What is the result of accepting this offer?

Next Week's Lectionary Readings:

1 Samuel 16:1-13
Psalm 23
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9:1-41

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

Next Sunday's Message: "In the Presence" - On the surface, the healing of a blind man seems just like any of the other healing stories in the gospels. But it is so much more. It is an invitation to look at the world through God's eyes – to see what God sees. Jesus says that this man and this moment is given to show the presence and power of God. It shows God's power even more wonderfully when the simple, the plain, the everyday is used to bring God glory. God had a tendency to do this sort of thing all the time. David was chosen when he was but a boy. Over and over, God has given this message. When we live on the surface, then we miss what is really going on. We have to learn "faith vision."

This Week at Grace:

- Sunday – 8:00 AM – Adult Sunday School – Education Wing
- Monday – 3:00 PM – After School Program
- Tuesday – 3:00 PM – Art with Heart
- Wednesday – 1:00 PM – Grief Support Group
- Wednesday – 6:00 PM – Lenten Study – Fellowship Hall
- Thursday – 5:30 PM – Luke Study – Fellowship Hall
- Friday – 6:30 AM – Women’s Study – Fellowship Hall

Announcements:

Our March Mission of the Month is “Shower with Hope” – an outreach to those on the streets in Rapid City.

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!!