

Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church!!

Sunday – November 6, 2022 – 9:00 am



Meditation Verse: *“Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.” – Luke 20:38*

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Order of Worship

*Welcome and Opening Prayer

*Call to Worship

Leader: You are God, not of the dead, but of the living, for to you, all of them are alive.

People: Alive is the alcoholic, tired of being worn out by whiskey and wine. Alive is the drug addict, hearing a fresh call to “come and dine.”

Leader: You are God, not of the dead, but of the living, for to you, all of them are alive.

People: Alive is the woman used, abused, and misused by a loved one, needing someone’s compassion and care. Alive is the man castrated by the pressures of society, needing divine power and prayer. Alive is the child searching for what can be, when everyone has told him or her what he or she would never be.

Leader: You are God, not of the dead, but of the living, for to you, all of them are alive.

People: Yes, alive is the immigrant looking for a fair and just place to call home. Alive is the descendant of slaves, whose fight for common justice is very well known. Alive is the progeny that still hopes, planting fresh seeds to be sown.

Leader: You are God, not of the dead, but of the living, for to you, all of them are alive.

People: Yes, alive is the poor man struggling for health care. Alive is the hungry woman seeking a job paying a good fare. Alive is the youth who will not quit, the one fashioned to dream and taught to dare.

Leader: You are God, not of the dead, but of the living, for to you, all of them are alive.

All: We come this morning, feeling a little dead; even with little energy for the journey ahead. But you are God, and in you, we are not dead. For to you all of us are alive! Help us strive; ready us to thrive. Yes, we are alive!! In the name of Jesus, we are alive!

*Passing of the Peace

Opening Hymns:

- #378- Amazing Grace
- #347 - Spirit Song

Scriptures: Luke 20:27-40

Kids Message

Message: "Band of Puzzlers"

Holy Communion for All Saints Day
and the Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings
Song: Come to the Ark

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Blessing of Haley

*Closing Song: Lead Me to the Cross

*Announcements

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

GPS – Grow, Pray, Study

- 1) *Grow*. How do you imagine the seeds planted in the Sadducees growing and taking root? In whose life could you do something similar this week?
- 2) *Pray*. When has God answered a prayer God's way instead of your way? How can you be more open in your prayer life to allowing this to happen more often?
- 3) *Study*. Read Luke 20:41-48. How is Jesus doing to the scribes what he did to the Sadducees in this week's reading? Where might Jesus be doing this in your life?

Next Week's Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 12
Isaiah 65:17-25
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13
Luke 21:5-19

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

Next Sunday's Message: "Open-Mouthed Tourists" - We are easily distracted – by things we see, by times of trials, by the troubles of this world. The disciples are distracted by the beauty of the temple. Jesus doesn't seem to have time for this. He reels them back in with a harsh word about the realities of discipleship. Jesus reminds the disciples that they will minister in the brokenness of the world. And he reminds them, and us, that "by your endurance you will gain souls." Day by day, this too is our call. Join us next Sunday as we lean into this call!

This Week at Grace:

- Sunday – 8:00 AM – Adult Sunday School – Education Wing
- Sunday – 6:00 PM – Grace Small Group Study – Fellowship Hall
- Monday - 3:00 PM – After School Program
- Tuesday – 3:00 PM – Art with Heart
- Wednesday – 9:00 AM – Women's Study – Fellowship Hall
- Wednesday – 5:30 PM – Youth Group – Fellowship Hall
- Thursday – 5:30 PM – Men's Study
- Friday – 6:30 AM – Women's Study – Fellowship Hall

Announcements:

Our November Mission is to gather supplies and donations to make and provide Hygiene Kits for the Hope Center.

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! Remember simple treats and store-bought cookies are just fine.

Please also consider volunteering to commit from 10:30AM to 12:30PM once a month to Feeding South Dakota's effort to end hunger in our state. You can help by loading food into vehicles or directing traffic. There are openings on the first Monday of each month starting in January. Link to sign up:

[Piedmont Mobile Distribution - Our Lady of the Black Hills | Feeding South Dakota \(galaxydigital.com\)](#)

May God Bless you throughout the coming week!!