Grace United Methodist Church
July 23, 2017
10:15 a.m.
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

*=Please stand as you are able

Please sign and date the Welcome Book located at the end of the pew and pass it along. When it reaches the end of the pew, please return it.

WE GATHER

MUSIC FOR GATHERING "Festival Toccata" Percy Fletcher

THE LITURGY OF LIFE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We thank God for these opportunities for fellowship and service.
Thanks be to God!
Let us take a moment to center our hearts on God.

MUSIC FOR CENTERING ON GOD

WE SEEK WISDOM

MUSICAL INVITATION TO WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP AND TO WISDOM Proverbs 4:5-6, 8-9

Get wisdom; get insight; do not forget,
nor turn away from the words of her mouth.
Do not forsake her, and she will keep you;
love her, and she will guard you.
Prize her highly, and she will exalt you;
she will honor you if you embrace her.
She will place on your head a fair garland;
she will bestow on you a beautiful crown.

PASTORAL INVITATION TO WORSHIP

THE SUMMONS TFWS 2130

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

***OPENING HYMN UMH 147** "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

***GREETING OF PEACE** Peace be with you.
And also with you.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE Laura Sands & Ellery Duke

THE GIFTS OF AND FOR OUR YOUNGER CHURCH

CHILDREN'S SONG UMH 156 "I Love to Tell the Story" (vs. 4 and refrain)
I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. (continued)

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN TFWS 2135 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

A WORD FROM THE WISE 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

SPECIAL MUSIC "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" arr. Mark A. Miller
Grace Summer Choir

THE GOOD WORD Matthew 25:18-30

MESSAGE "Exclusions Do Not Apply" Pastor Gary Nims

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Invitation to Prayer
Pastoral Prayer
The Prayer Jesus Taught Us

Our Father (Creator, Mother), who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Congregational Response TFWS 2157 "Come and Fill Our Hearts"

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
You alone, O God, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia!

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

The Invitation
The Offertory "Cathedral Voluntary" Charles Callahan

***DOXOLOGY TFWS 2036** "Give Thanks"

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because God's given Jesus Christ the son.
And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the poor say, "I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us." Give thanks!

Prayer of Dedication

WE ARE SENT FORTH WITH GOD'S VISION

***HYMN OF GOING INTO THE WORLD UMH 114** "Many Gifts, One Spirit"
(Will sing the refrain only once following verse 3)

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

POSTLUDE "Amazing Grace" David Cherewin

Worship Leaders: Pastor Gary Nims; Josh Morgan, Music Director and Organist; Becky Orfield, accompanist

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(In hymns and prayers, please use language that makes worship most meaningful, enriching, and inclusive.)

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