



**Grace United Methodist Church
Saturday, June 9, 2018 5:00 p.m.
Creation Sings Forth: Wind**

*=Please stand as you are able

Please sign and date the Welcome Book and pass it along to your neighbor.

WE GATHER

MUSIC FOR GATHERING “Come, Breath of God” Anthony Giamanco

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 WORSHIP TOGETHER

CALL TO WORSHIP

PASTORAL INVITATION TO WORSHIP

***OPENING HYMN UMH 152 (Red Hymnal)**

“I Sing the Almighty Power of God”

***GREETING OF PEACE**

Welcome each other. Welcome the stranger. Welcome all who come. Let us be Christ to everyone we meet. Peace be with you.

And also with you.

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

HYMN UMH 420 (Red Hymnal)

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

SPECIAL READING

“A Sabbath Plan”

by Meister Eckhardt

UNISON PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Creator God, You who breathed your breath into us, inspire us to be who you have created us to be so that we might offer our best selves to benefit a world that so desperately needs support, hope, life, and joy. We praise you for

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nudging us into the future you have created for each one of us.
And all God’s people say, Amen.

THE WORD OF LIFE

OLD TESTAMENT READING Job 16:3

GOSPEL READING John 3:1-8

THE MESSAGE “Under the Cover of Darkness” Rev. Jim Nelson

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Invitation to Prayer

Prayers of the People

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.

PRAYER RESPONSE W&S 3022 (Green Hymnal) “Peace of Our Praying”
Tune: MORNING HAS BROKEN

Peace of our praying, song of our singing,
truth of our telling, love of all loves,
health of our healing, gift of our giving,
life of our living, light of all lights.

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

The Offertory “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” arr. C.E. Walz

*DOXOLOGY TFWS 2008 (Black Hymnal) “Let All Things Now Living”

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
to God the Creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
who guides us and leads to the end of our days.

Prayer of Dedication

WE ARE SENT FORTH INTO GOD’S WORLD

*HYMN OF GOING INTO THE WORLD UMH 111 (Red Hymnal)
“How Can We Name a Love”

*BENEDICTION

*SUNG RESPONSE W&S 3158 (Green Hymnal) “Go to the World” (vs. 1)
Go to the world! Go into all the earth.
Go preach the cross where Christ renews life’s worth,
baptizing as the sign of our rebirth. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE “Rejoice the Lord is King” arr. Michael Wilson

Worship Leaders: Reverend Jim Nelson; Ann Gerdorn, pianist.

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

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