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John 13:14-15

Grace Presbyterian Church
Fort Wayne, IN
May 18, 2025
The Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

Community Worship on Zoom – Live Stream/Replay on Facebook

Sunday Service - May 18, 2025

How can we pray for you? Let us know in the Zoom/Facebook Chat!

We invite you to join in the liturgy by speaking the parts in *BOLD* with us from your homes!

10:15 - Zoom Meeting Starts ~ ~ ~ 10:20 - Facebook Live Stream Starts

10:30 - Live Prelude Starts

Be Still and Know That I Am God by Oyer

Welcome

Call to Worship -

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

maker of heaven and earth.

This is the day that the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God's presence with singing!

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us worship God.

Opening Hymn #452 "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

Call to Confession —

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence.

Prayer of Confession —

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Time for silent confession

Assurance of Pardon —

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

Song of Assurance #581 "Gloria Patri"

Passing the Peace

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The Peace and Love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you!

Please take a moment to greet your neighbor and others with the peace of Christ.

Time for Music & Meditation

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

<u>Let us Pray</u>: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. **Amen**

Scripture Reading: Hebrew Bible Reading — Isaiah 6:1-8

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In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. 2 Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. 3 And they were calling to one another:

[&]quot;Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty;

the whole earth is full of his glory."

- 4 At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke.
- 5 "Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty."
- 6 Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. 7 With it he touched my mouth and said, "See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for."
- 8 Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"

And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

Choir Anthem #726 "Will You Come and Follow Me"

Scripture Reading: Gospel Reading — John 13:3-17

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3 Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; 4 so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. 5 After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

6 He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

7 Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

8 "No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet."

Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me."

9 "Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"

10 Jesus answered, "Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." 11 For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean.

12 When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. 13 "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. 14 Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. 15 I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. 16 Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. 17 Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

Message

Mission Trip Report

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn of Response #761 "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Let us now join our hearts in prayer. In the spirit of unity and compassion, we bring before God the needs of the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Trusting in God's mercy and grace, let us offer our prayers to the One who hears and responds in love.

In particular . . .

- Lord, we ask for peace and comfort for Danielle.
- Lord, we ask you to give comfort and guidance to Kevin.
- Lord, we ask for a quick and full recovery for Deb Didier.
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And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray as our Savior taught us, saying:

Our Father, 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Call to Offering

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions.

Offertory Impromptu on "Bringing In the Sheaves" by Minor

Doxology #606 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Prayer of Dedication —

<u>Let us pray.</u> Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love; through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen**.

Announcements [Note – Jim Wolf might be adding an announcement for the upcoming Special Offering)

Closing Hymn #69 "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

Charge

Go out into the world in peace.

Have courage, hold on to what is good,
return no one evil for evil,
strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak,
help the suffering, honor all people,
love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Benediction

May the Lord bless you and keep you; may the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; may the Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace, now and forevermore. Amen.

Postlude

He Is King of Kings arr. by Curtis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>NEXT WEEK!</u> Special Joint Worship on May 25 @ United Faith: We will be worshiping with our friends at United Faith on Sunday, May 25. This is a perfect and fitting end to our May Month of Missions as we do support/partner with them in the Food Bank.

Just Neighbors Collection: On Sunday, May 4, our collection to Just Neighbors Family Center totaled \$293.00. Thank you to all who donated to this worthwhile cause.

Our Special Offering for Pentecost Will Be Collected on June 1st:

Reminder - No Session this Month: Next Session will be on July 20th.

<u>Today</u> is Grace's Annual Tin Caps Outing: Don't forget, our congregational life baseball outing is this Sunday. If you didn't get your ticket, see Tammy.

North Highland Neighborhood Association Garage Sale Opportunity: During the community sale, June 13-14, Grace will be offering space for those that might want to join but don't have a local garage. For a \$10 donation you can reserve a table in our fellowship hall. For a \$5 donation you can reserve a spot (about two car spaces) in our parking lot. See Tammy for more information or to get your space.

Birthdays

Meghan Mahoney - May 26 Erv Bellis - May 28

Anniversaries

Douglas & Linda Haller May 23, 1965 Todd & Cathy German May 25, 1986

ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS

To connect to our worship services on Zoom, follow these instructions to watch or listen. You can connect at 10:15 for fellowship; the service starts at 10:30.

Option 1: Automatically Join the Meeting

Follow the link in the email sent every week. This is by far the easiest way to connect to the live video.

Option 2: Manually Join the Meeting

You can download Zoom from https://www.zoom.us.

After you have installed the program/app, click on "Join" and enter this information:

Meeting ID: 9712063468 Password: 030414

Option 3: Call in to Listen (Audio Only)

On Sunday Morning, you can call to listen to the service. After you call, it will ask you to enter the Meeting ID and Password Below:



The initial petition of this song is based on the language of Ephesians 1:18, while the second part draws on the account of Isaiah's vision in Isaiah 6:1–5. That event, in turn, is the basis of the threefold Sanctus that has become a traditional element in Christian worship.





Based on an 18th-century German metrical version of a celebrated 5th-century Latin hymn, *Te Deum laudamus*, this abbreviated 19th-century English paraphrase is sung by both Protestants and Roman Catholics. It is set here to the tune composed and named for the German version.

TEXT: Attr. Ignaz Franz, c. 1774; trans. Clarence Alphonsus Walworth, 1858, alt. MUSIC: Allgemeines Katholisches Gesangbuch, c. 1774; harm. Johann Gottfried Schicht, 1819

GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH

MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551

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Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow





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69 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky



The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.