And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

2 Corinthians 9:8



# Grace Presbyterian Church Fort Wayne, IN June 22, 2025 The Second Sunday After Pentecost Community Worship on Zoom – Live Stream/Replay on Facebook

#### Sunday Service - June 22, 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 But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth.

10:30 – Live Prelude Starts Breathe with Breathe on Me, Breath of God arr. by Fettke

#### Welcome

#### Call to Worship -

Give thanks to God!

We thank God for joy, for laughter, for abundant blessings of every kind. Give thanks to God at all times and for everything!

We thank God, when we can and as we can, for struggles, for solitude, for fears. Give thanks to God at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We thank God that, in Christ, our joys as well as our pain are in God's heart and hands.

With thanksgiving and praise we gather.

With thanksgiving, we worship the living God. Amen.

**Opening Hymn** #35 "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

#### Call to Confession -

Jesus said: Ask and it will be given you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. God knows our needs before we ask, and in our asking prepares us to receive the gift of grace. Let us open our lives to God's healing presence, forsaking all that separates us from God and neighbor. Let us pray... Prayer of Confession –

Holy God, we know that you created us in love, to enjoy this world and You, to serve your creation and your children. We know that we do not do your will. With clenched hands, we can neither give nor receive. With eyes tight shut, we cannot see pain or beauty. With feet of clay, we cannot dance in joy or run to help. We ask for your help and power to change. Open our hands and eyes, move our feet, toward grace and hope and trust in You. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Time for silent confession

#### Assurance of Pardon –

According to God's steadfast love and abundant mercy, God does not pass judgment on us. God creates in us clean hearts and gives a new and right spirit. In the grace of Jesus Christ, we return to God forgiven. Praise God for our salvation.

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

#### Prayer for Illumination

<u>Let us Pray</u>: Gracious God, give us the wisdom of your Spirit to understand and receive the depth and breadth of the love that Christ showers upon us. Bless this reading of your Word that we might be transformed by its grace. **Amen** 

#### Scripture Reading: Epistle Bible Reading – 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

6 Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. 7 Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. 9 As it is written:

p.1803

"They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor; their righteousness endures forever."

10 Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

12 This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. 13 Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. 14 And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. 15 Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

#### Scripture Reading: Gospel Reading – John 2:1-12 p.1648

2 On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, 2 and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3 When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."

4 "Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come."

5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

6 Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.

7 Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim.

8 Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet."

They did so, 9 and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside 10 and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now."

11 What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

12 After this he went down to Capernaum with his mother and brothers and his disciples. There they stayed for a few days.

#### Sermon

#### <del>Just</del>

#### 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 #175 "Seek Ye First"

#### Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

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

God's blessings rain down upon us like manna from heaven. Sometimes we recognize them as blessings, and sometimes we don't. But God's presence is with us in either case. Today we pause on this journey to remember the many times God has been with us along the way, and has provided for our needs. Then, through the ministry of this church, we join in the work of God in providing for the needs of the world. Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.

Offertory Shine, Jesus, Shine arr. by Tornquist

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

#### Prayer of Dedication -

Let us pray. You are the greatest Giver of all, O Lord. You are the Provider of all things and the One who has called us to work for the growth of your kingdom. Bless the gifts we bring so that our efforts will bring about praise to your Holy Name. **Amen**.

#### Announcements

Closing Hymn #700 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

#### Benediction

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Newsletter Submissions:** It's almost July. That means it's time to send the office any news, reports, or photo submissions. Please get them to the office no later than Wednesday, 6.25.

#### The Church Office will be closed Monday, June 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Just Neighbor Meals:** Our next Just Neighbors meal week is July 13-18. Please contact Betsy to pick your best evening to take a meal for about 20 folks.

**Per Capita:** If you haven't yet paid your per capita, it's \$45.06. Each church is responsible for paying this amount per member. These funds get divided between our Whitewater Valley Presbytery, the General Assembly, and Synod to support designated ministries.

## <u>Birthdays</u>

Tyler Bowers - June 27 Stacey Monnier - June 28

#### **Anniversaries**

#### 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:

 Phone Number: (301) 715-8592
 Meeting ID: 9712063468
 Password: 030414

CREATION AND PROVIDENCE



This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1–6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

TEXT: Joachim Neander, 1680; trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt. MUSIC: Stralsund Emewerten Gesangbuch, 1665; harm. The Chorale Book for England, 1863 LOBE DEN HERREN 14.14.4.7.8





TEXT: Trad. liturgical text MUSIC: Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex)

JESUS CHRIST: LIFE



The author and composer wrote the first stanza and folk-style tune after attending a Bible study on Matthew 6:33. The later stanzas, based respectively on Matthew 7:7 and Matthew 4:4 emerged anonymously. Such meditative singing of scripture is an important form of sung prayer.

TEXT: Stanza 1, Karen Lafferty, 1971, alt.; stanzas 2–3, anon.; Spanish trans. anon.; Korean trans. The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee LAFFERTY Irregular

MUSIC: Karen Lafferty, 1971

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JESUS CHRIST: LIFE



#### SPANISH

 Busca primero el reino de Dios y su perfecta justicia, que lo demás lo añadirá el Señor. Alelu, aleluya. KOREAN 1 너희는 먼저- 주의 나라와 그의를 구하-면 이모든것 네게 더하시리라 알렐-루 알렐루야



TEXT: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709 MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551 OLD HUNDREDTH

DEDICATION AND STEWARDSHIP



This African American spiritual has more depth than may at first appear: for people who are bound in slavery to sing about dedicating themselves to God's use shows a profound awareness of God-given selfworth despite circumstances that would deny their human or spiritual value.

TEXT: African American spiritual

MUSIC: African American spiritual; arr. Wendell P. Whalum, 1984 Music Arr. © Estate of Wendell P. Whalum 1'M GONNA LIVE Irregular

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