Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

Galatians 6:9



Grace Presbyterian Church Fort Wayne, IN October 12, 2025

The 18th Sunday after Pentecost

Community Worship on Zoom - Live Stream/Replay on Facebook

Sunday Service - October 12, 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 His Eye Is on the Sparrow by Gabriel

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 #796 "We Come to You for Healing, Lord"

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.

Children's Message

Time for Music & Meditation

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: Epistle Reading – Luke 17:11-19

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- 11 Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. 12 As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance 13 and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"
- 14 When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed.
- 15 One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud

voice. 16 He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

17 Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? 18 Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" 19 Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

Choir Anthem #772 "Live into Hope"

Scripture Reading: Gospel Reading – 2 Kings 5:1-15

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Now Naaman was commander of the army of the king of Aram. He was a great man in the sight of his master and highly regarded, because through him the Lord had given victory to Aram. He was a valiant soldier, but he had leprosy.

2 Now bands of raiders from Aram had gone out and had taken captive a young girl from Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. 3 She said to her mistress, "If only my master would see the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

4 Naaman went to his master and told him what the girl from Israel had said. 5 "By all means, go," the king of Aram replied. "I will send a letter to the king of Israel." So Naaman left, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels[c] of gold and ten sets of clothing. 6 The letter that he took to the king of Israel read: "With this letter I am sending my servant Naaman to you so that you may cure him of his leprosy."

7 As soon as the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his robes and said, "Am I God? Can I kill and bring back to life? Why does this fellow send someone to me to be cured of his leprosy? See how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me!"

8 When Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his robes, he sent him this message: "Why have you torn your robes? Have the man come to me and he will know that there is a prophet in Israel." 9 So Naaman went with his horses and chariots and stopped at the door of Elisha's house. 10 Elisha sent a messenger to say to him, "Go, wash yourself seven times in the Jordan,

and your flesh will be restored and you will be cleansed."

11 But Naaman went away angry and said, "I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, wave his hand over the spot and cure me of my leprosy. 12 Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Couldn't I wash in them and be cleansed?" So he turned and went off in a rage.

13 Naaman's servants went to him and said, "My father, if the prophet had told you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much more, then, when he tells you, 'Wash and be cleansed'!" 14 So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times, as the man of God had told him, and his flesh was restored and became clean like that of a young boy.

15 Then Naaman and all his attendants went back to the man of God. He stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the world except in Israel. So please accept a gift from your servant."

Sermon

An Unreasonable Request

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 #774 "There Is Now a New Creation"

Prayers of the People and 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

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.

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It Is Well with My Soul by Bliss

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

Closing Hymn #442 "Just as I Am, without One Plea"

Postlude

Praise to the Lord the Almighty arr. by Livingston, Jr.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We're Selling SCRIP Today: If you're interested see (talk to) John.

The Church Office Will Be Closed Next Friday (October 17):

Session Meets Next Sunday:

Halloween at Grace: Our annual 'treat' for our neighbors is just around the corner (October 31) and we need volunteers. We need people to hand out candy. We need people willing to decorate cars or tables. We need people to sever the hotdogs and

cider. If you can help talk to Todd or sign-up in the narthex.

Session Reports: If you are responsible for a report, please get it to Justin in the church office no later than 10:00 AM, Thursday, October 15th.

Foundation First Celebration Party: Our neighborhood friends at Foundations First are hosting a party to celebrate some new programs and community ministries on October 24th. The party is from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM and will include food trucks, games, and music. Everyone is invited.

Grace Pledge Sunday: Our annual pledge day in nearly upon us. We will be celebrating our gifts, returned to our Lord on November 9th. There will be a meal to follow the service that Sunday. You should be receiving a letter in the mail with more information soon.

Planned Giving Workshop: Also following the service on November 9th, we will be hosting a presentation by Sheri Finke from the Presbyterian Foundation. This workshop is open to anyone interested. There will be a sign-up in the narthex or you can contact Stacey Monnier at 260-205-1008 for more information.

<u>Birthdays</u>

Pam Callahan - October 14

Anniversaries
Bill & Jill Werling*
October 11, 1975
Tom & Stacey Monnier*
October 11, 1997

*missed last week as we worshiped at United Faith

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:

We Come to You for Healing, Lord 796



Unlike many hymns on the theme of healing, this text appropriately includes the ministry of medical personnel as instruments of God's healing activity. It also acknowledges that illness is not limited to physical symptoms, but involves mental, emotional, and spiritual dimensions.

TEXT: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 2002

MUSIC: American folk melody; arr. Annabel Morris Buchanan, 1938 Text © 2006 GIA Publications, Inc.

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LAND OF REST

(alternate harmonization, 691)



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

GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex)

774 There Is Now a New Creation



- 1 There is now a new cre a-tion through the grace of Je sus Christ,
- 2 Call the lost and found to-geth-er; tell the news to ev ery one:
- 3 Wrap the prod-i gal in wel-come; run to greet the way-ward child.
- 4 Come and join the cel e bra-tion; come and join this hap py feast;
- 5 There is now a new cre a-tion through the grace of Je sus Christ.





peace and rec - on - cil - i - a - tion with the God of end - less life. now the past is gone for - ev - er and a new life has be - gun. All is fin-ished and for - giv - en; let us now be rec - on - ciled. Je - sus makes an in - vi - ta - tion to the great - est and the least. Sing, with thanks and ad - o - ra - tion, to the God of end - less life!



At the center of this text stands a reference to the well-known parable of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11–32), and the fourth stanza forms an effective bridge between that gospel story and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. The first and last stanzas draw on 2 Corinthians 5:17.

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442 Just as I Am, without One Plea



1 Tal como soy de pecador, sin más confianza que tu amor; a tu llamada vengo a ti, ¡Cordero de Dios, heme aquí!

큰-죄에빠-진날위해 주보-혈흘려주시고 또-나를오-라하시니-주께로거-저갑니다

When illness limited her involvement in a bustling household, the author wrote this hymn that helped her both to achieve and to express a renewed sense of worth grounded in Christ's self-giving. Its simple, direct, and deeply felt language has made it a source of comfort to many.

TEXT: Charlotte Elliott, 1834, alt.; Spanish trans. Tomás M. Westrup, alt; Korean trans. anon. MUSIC: William Batchelder Bradbury, 1849; harm. The Hymnbook, 1955 Korean Trans. © The Hymnal Society of Korea

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