

Grace Community Presbyterian Church
June 8, 2025



Prelude

Sumsion

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

***Call To Worship** *Psalm 118: 22-24*

Terri Ludwig

Leader: The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;

People: The Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made;

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

*Hymn of Praise

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

#225

*Prayer of Confession

Forgive us, O God, for the sins we so easily and willingly commit. Through our thoughts, words, and actions we have sinned against you and our neighbors. We have not loved you as we should, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. As much as we expect and rely upon your grace, we have not shown this grace to others. We have been quick to blame and slow to love and forgive. Have mercy on us, O God, and shower us with your grace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession...

***Assurance of Forgiveness** *Romans 5:8*

Leader: “God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” The grace we desperately need is found in Him. Thanks be to God for such redeeming love and amazing grace.

All: In Christ Jesus, we are forgiven, renewed, and sent. Amen!

* Passing of the Peace

L: Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. The peace of Christ be with you all.

P: And also, with you.

Please pass the peace of Christ to your neighbors in the pews and introduce yourself to those you do not know.

*** Gloria Patri**

“Glory Be to the Father”

#813

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen, Amen.

Anthem

“Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me”

Chancel Choir

(Words by Thomas T. Lynch & K. Lee Scott; music by K. Lee Scott)


— THE WORD —

Prayer for Illumination

Almighty God, provide us with ears to hear, minds to comprehend, wills to follow, and hearts to love your Word given to us this day by the Living Word, Jesus the Christ, in whose precious name we pray. Amen.

Scripture

John 15: 9-17

Sermon	"The Mandate"	
*Responding Hymn	"They'll Know We Are Christians"	#429
Sharing Joys and Concerns and The Lord's Prayer (debts and debtors)		
Call for Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory	"Blest Be the Tie that Binds"	Cherwien
*Doxology	"O Bless the Gifts"	#817
<div>  <div> O bless the gifts our hands have brought; And bless the work our hearts have planned. Ours is the faith, the will, the thought; The rest, O God, is in your hand. </div> </div>		
*Prayer of Dedication		
—SENDING —		
*Hymn of Dedication	"I Will Sing of My Redeemer" (v. 1-3)	#309
*Charge and Benediction		
Leader: Go in peace to serve and love the Lord.		
People: Thanks be to God.		
*Congregational Response	"I Will Sing of My Redeemer" (v. 4)	#309
*Postlude	"Prelude in G"	Bach

*PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

"Come Down, O Love Divine" is a translation of a 14th century Italian poem. Intensely personal and passionate, it is filled with images appropriate Pentecost.

Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardor glowing; O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

Welcome to Grace Community Presbyterian Church

We extend a warm welcome to all worshipping with us today and we hope that you will return. Please join us for Coffee Fellowship in Cana Hall following today's worship service.



Rev. Dr. Ojulu (Pastor Owar) is currently traveling to Ethiopia and will be out of the office for the month of June. If you need pastoral assistance, please call the office at 724-339-9661.

Help fill shoeboxes all year long! The Operation Christmas Child items for the month of June are coloring/activity books. Donations may be placed in the OCC box in the Narthex. Thank you.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

June 1	June Cicola	June 4	Kellie and Jim Newcomb
June 2	Michael Maddox Pish	June 6	Jackie and Chick Chickerella
June 17	Reitha Bieranoski	June 15	MaryAnn and Lou Walter
June 17	Melissa Gott	June 15	Ryan and Melissa Gott
June 20	Mary Ann Walter	June 16	Duke and Debbie Pollick
June 27	Barb McGeary	June 28	John and June Cicola (50 th)

If your name does not appear, or if the listed information is incorrect, please contact the church office so that the records can be updated.

Sermon Notes:

For Sunday __/__/__

Scripture Reference _____

What spoke to my heart from today's sermon:

Prayer Concerns for this week:



This Week's Calendar
June 8 - 14, 2025

Today	Reach Out Committee	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am
	Coffee Fellowship	11:00am
Tuesday	Bible Study	1:00pm
	Garden Club	6:00pm
Thursday	Boy Scouts	6:00pm

Looking Ahead
June 15 - 21, 2025

June 15	Deacons	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am
	Coffee Fellowship	11:00am
June 17	Bible Study	1:00pm
	Sewing Group	7:00pm
June 18	Rabbits Foot Assoc. Meeting	6:00pm
June 19	Boy Scouts	6:00pm
	Ladies' Group	6:30pm

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Dave Briscoe
Michael Cochenour

Cheryl Landis
Glenn Nordmark
Sharon Rupert
Todd Taylor
Jack Trinclisti
Steph Tutka
Cathy Vitari

Deacons

Sheri Cieslinski
Kerri Colaianni
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