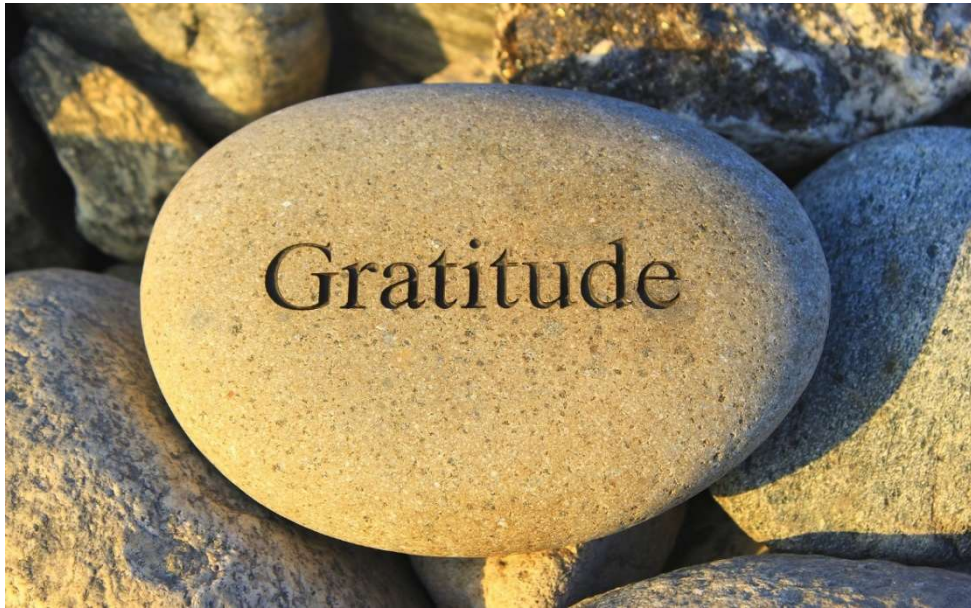


Grace Community Presbyterian Church

July 13, 2025



Thought for Meditation

Jesus was on the border between Galilee and Samaria and was met by a band of ten lepers. We know that the Jews had no dealings with the Samaritans; yet in this band there was at least one Samaritan. Here is an example of a great law of life. A common misfortune had broken down the racial and national barriers. In the common tragedy of their leprosy they had forgotten they were Jews and Samaritans and remembered only they were men in need. If flood surges over a piece of country and the wild animals congregate for safety on some little bit of higher ground, you will find standing peacefully together animals who are natural enemies and who at any other time would do their best to kill each other. Surely one of the things which should draw all men together is their common need of God. [Yet] *No story in all the gospels so poignantly shows man's ingratitude. The lepers came to Jesus with desperate longing; he cured them; and nine never came back to give thanks. So often, once a man has got what he wants, he never comes back. Often, we are ungrateful to God.*" William Barclay

— GATHERING —

Prelude “Pastorale in G Major” C. Wesley

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

***Call To Worship** *Psalm 25:1-10* Rev. Paul Milz

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, come into His presence with singing.

People: To you, O Lord, we lift up our voices!

Leader: As we gather, may our hearts be open to your guidance and wisdom.

People: For you, O Lord, we wait with expectancy all day long.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord together!

***Hymn of Praise** “Come Thou Fount” #11

***Prayer of Confession** *1 John 1:91*

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Grace church, let us make confession and seek God for forgiveness and restoration.

Loving God,

We come before You with humble hearts, acknowledging our weaknesses and sinfulness. Like the lepers, we often take Your mercy for granted and fail to express our gratitude for Your healing and grace. Forgive us for our indifference and our lack of thankfulness. Help us to recognize Your blessings in our lives and to live with an attitude of gratitude, always turning back to You in praise. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession...

***Assurance of Forgiveness** *1 Corinthians 15:58*

“Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.” Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

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

***Passing of the Peace** *Colossians 2:6-7*

L: *“So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in Him, rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.”* 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** #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.

Solo “Celtic Land” Aubrie Newcomb, soprano
(C. Courtney)

— THE WORD —

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture *Luke 17:11-19*

Sermon “Get Up and Go...”

***Hymn of Response** “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” (v.1) #539

Sharing Joys and Concerns and the Lord’s Prayer

Tithes and Offerings *Luke 6:38*

“Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”



Offertory

“I Love to Tell the Story” arr. D. Wood

***Doxology** “O Bless the Gifts” #817
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.

***Prayer of Dedication**
— SENDING —

***Hymn of Dedication** “The Solid Rock” (v.1-3) #526

***Charge and Benediction**

***Congregational Response** “The Solid Rock” (v. 4) #526

***Postlude** “O God, Our Help in Ages Past” arr. C. Callahan

**PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE*
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 available anytime if you have any concerns, want to schedule a meeting, or if you need a prayer. You can contact him at the office @ 724-339-9661 or his cell 507-304-5958.

Help fill shoeboxes all year long! The Operation Christmas Child items for the month of July are WOW toys (soccer or playground balls, dolls, large trucks, etc.). Donations may be placed in the OCC box in the Narthex. Thank you.

JULY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

July 4	Lee Johnson	July 27	Ken and Barb McGeary
July 7	Sharon Rupert	July 30	Dave and Melody Highfield
July 22	Jennifer Beck		
July 31	Paul Zunich		

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.

This Week's Calendar
July 13 - 19, 2025

Today	Reach Out Committee	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am
	Coffee Fellowship	11:00am
	Adult Sunday School	11:00am
Tuesday	Bible Study	1:00pm
July 15-17		6:00pm -
Tues thru	VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	8:15pm
Thursday		
Saturday	VBS WATER DAY	11:00am

Looking Ahead
July 20 - 26, 2025

July 20	Deacons	9:00am
	Worship	10:00am
	Ordination/Installation of Officers	
	Coffee Fellowship	11:00am
July 22	Bible Study	1:00pm
	Sewing Group	7:00pm
July 24	Ladies Group	6:30pm
July 26	Knead Café	8:00am

Sermon Notes:

For Sunday __/__/__

Scripture Reference _____

What spoke to my heart from today's sermon:

Prayer Concerns for this week:



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