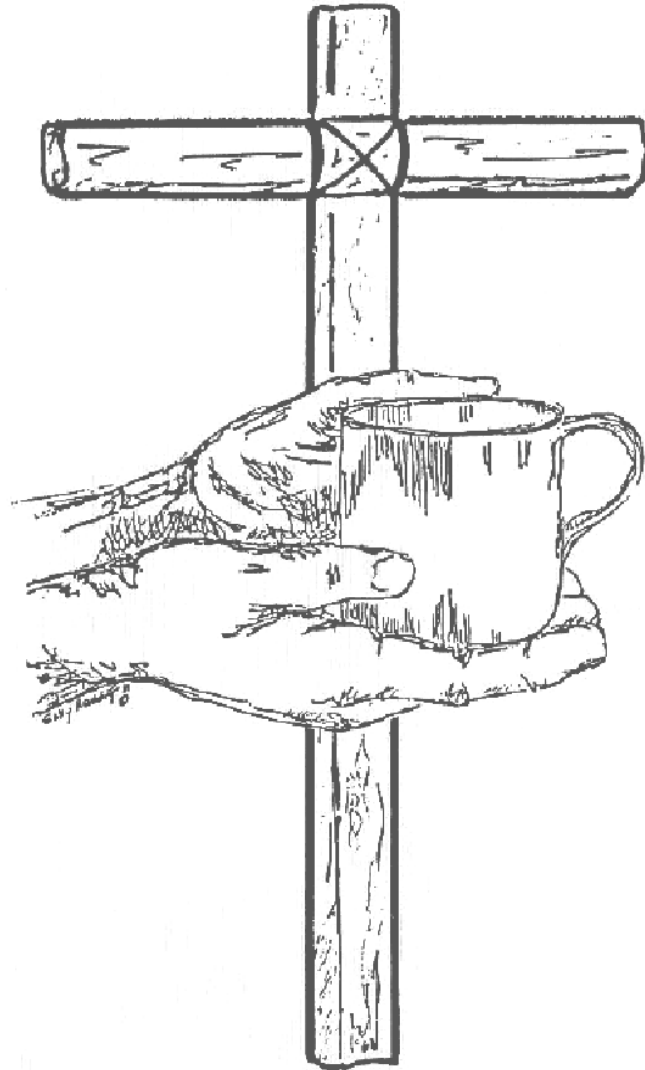


The Celebration of Worship



Community of Grace
January 22, 2023

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Choral Opening

"Bring God Your Songs of Praise"

*The Call to Gathering

Leader: Happy are those who do not follow the advise of the wicked,
or walk in the paths of sinners, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

People: Rather the teaching of the Lord is their delight.

Leader: They are like trees planted by streams of water which yield their fruit in its
season; it's leaves do not wither.

**People: Delight yourself in the Lord, and the Lord will give you the desires of
your heart.**

Leader: How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth.

People: Your word is a lamp to my feet, a light to my path.

*Invocation

Hymn of Praise

*"The Church's One Foundation"
No. 386 (v. 1,2,4)*

The Offertory

Prayers of the People

The Scripture Lesson

Matthew 4:18-22 and Luke 5:1-6

The Choral Meditation

"Nearer My God to Thee"

Words of Grace

"Apprentices Of Jesus."

*Hymn of Reflection

*"You Walk Along Our Shoreline"
Insert*

*Benediction

*The Choral Benediction

"Hear Thou, in Love, Our Prayer"

*Postlude

**All who are able, please stand*

Announcements

Birthdays

23 - Paxton West

26 - Bryan Starrette

27 - Harlan West

28 - Madysen West

CONCERNS

Continue to remember:

Our friends on homebound:

Sarah Adams, Nancy Milstead, Tressie Starrette..

Those issues close to us:

Irene Shoemaker family, Jim Gardner family, Will Fanjoy, Janice Berryhill and her father, Bill,

Jo Alexander family, Gay's sister, Brenda, Larry Sechler family, Autumn Harris, Peggy Waugh,

Christian Viera, Bill Warren, Jo's daughter, Gina Ellis, Laura Hall family, Beverly Maurice,

Marian Archibald, Ray Smith, Bill Mashburn, Victor Sisk, Clara Rogers, Renae's nephew, Jeremy,

Vera Webster, peoples of the Ukraine, Cameron Gray, Spencer Cox, caregivers,

healthcare workers, homeless children, our nations immigrants.

Those facing tough times, those who are mentally ill, those who are affected by violence, those who are incarcerated, children who are a part of the Guardian ad Litem program, local law enforcement officers and fire fighters.

Those in the military:

Josh Wingfield, James Pulliam, Mark Staley, Adam Ivey, Austin Frutig, Anthony Corcoran,

Mary Jane Johnson, Caleb Sisk, Brian Saxton, Jacob Taylor and Ethan Dowden,

30th Brigade.

You Walk along Our Shoreline

You walk along our shoreline where land meets unknown sea.

We hear your voice of power, "Now come and follow me.

And if you still will follow through storm and wave and shoal,

Then I will make you fishers, but of the human soul."

You call us, Christ, to gather the people of the earth.

We cannot fish for only those lives we think have worth.

We spread your net of gospel across the water's face,

Our boat a common shelter for all found by your grace.

We cast our net, O Jesus; we seek your promised reign;

We work for love and justice; we learn to hope through pain.

You call on us to gather God's daughters and God's sons,

To let your judgment heal us so that all may be one.

Church Maintenance

Before next Sunday - Tilley

February 5 - Wiberg

February 12 - Grose

BUDGET UPDATE

Needed year to date: \$6114.00

Received year to date: \$5571.00

UNDER budget: \$543.00

Weekly needs: \$2038.00

We are Grace Baptist Church - a ministering people of God, reaching beyond our walls to the needs of our local and global community. We are an intergenerational faith community called and committed to the life of love and servant-hood through the experience of celebrative worship, the development of each person's gifts and the work for peace and justice.

In our diversity we find strength and a way to understand the inclusiveness of God. We recognize each individual as a child of God. We welcome and affirm ALL people, who and where you are, to join in our common mission through participation and leadership in this community of faith.

We are affiliated with the Alliance of Baptists,
the Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America and the
Association of Welcoming and Affirming Baptists.

Ministers: All Members of the Congregation

Pastor: Steve Shoemaker

Music Director: LeAnda Barnard

Secretary: Lisa Wardo

Church Musician: Nichole Tilley

Boards

Cabinet: John Barnard

Deacon: Louise Grose

Mission: Susie Wiberg

Education: Sue Shoemaker

Stewardship: Carole Hendrix

Worship: Doug Hendrix

WELCOME TO ALL who have chosen to worship with us today. We pray that your being present will bring joy and peace and presence of God to you.

You are welcome to be a participant in the church activities at Grace.

If you are interested in joining this congregation as we seek to discern and live out God's call to us, please speak to our pastor or a church member.

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