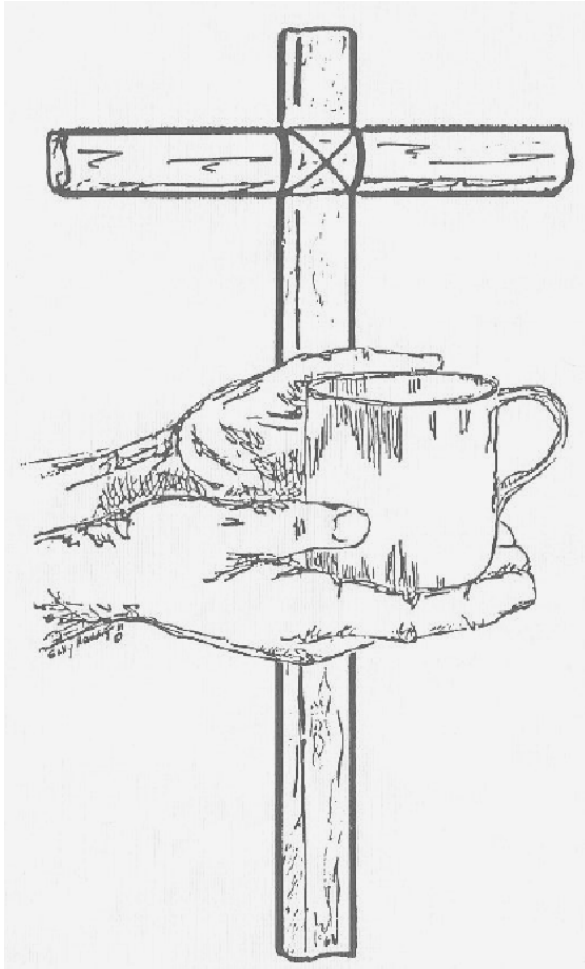


The Celebration of Worship



Community of Grace
October 17, 2021

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Call to Gathering

Leader: Come all who are weary

People: of wealth, of poverty, of power, of struggle, of division.

Leader: Come all who are heavy-laden

People: with too much, with too little, with anxiety, with fear, with anger.

Leader: Come all who have hope

People: for liberation, for peace, for freedom, for the love of each other.

All: Hear these words, "See, I am making all things new."

Invocation

The Choral Opening

"Serve God with Gladness"

Prayers of the People

Piano Meditation

Emma Chesnut

The Scripture Lesson

1 Kings 22:1-9

The Choral Meditation

"Lord Make Me An Instrument of Thy Peace"

Words of Grace

"Micaiah the Prophet: Of Prophets, True and False, And Kings"

Benediction

**Postlude*

**All who are able, please stand*

Announcements

The Cabinet has announced that we will continue to wear masks indoors until further notice.

New Covenant Participants!!

We are so excited to announce that Jen and Gina Delong and Hollace Scanlan have joined our community of faith as Covenant Participants. We celebrate their gifts and commit to walking with them as a ministering people of God. Being a Covenant Participant is open to all and allows folks to join in the life of Grace where they feel called. If you are interested in becoming a Grace Covenant Participant or would like more information, please speak to Steve or one of the deacons. And please welcome Gina, Jen and Hollace. Grace is blessed to have them as a part of our faith community.

Birthdays

20 - Tom Wiberg

21 - Kevin Angell

Anniversary

18 - John and Melissa Hendrix

CONCERNS

Continue to remember:

Our friends on homebound:

Tressie Starrette, Barbara Robinson, Mary Jean Grose, Irene Shoemaker.

Those issues close to us:

Gary, Patti, and Paxton West, Fran Pratt, Marco Gomez, Dan Eroh and family, Peggy Waugh, Kenneth Davis, Glenda and Ray Jackson, Principals in our schools, Teresa Bergandine Campbell, Jessica Pritchard, Kim's mom, peoples of Afghanistan, 5 month old, River, Cameron Gray, Nancy Milstead, Spencer Cox, Linda Sample, rural Washington fires, caregivers, and 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:

Greg West, Josh Wingfield, James Pulliam, Mark Staley, Adam Ivey, Austin Frutig, Anthony Corcoran, Mary Jane Johnson, Caleb Sisk, Brian Saxton, Jacob Taylor and Ethan Dowden, Justin Steele, 30th Brigade.

Church Maintenance

Before next Sunday - Hamby
October 31—McMillan/Nicholson
November 7- Hendrix

BUDGET UPDATE

Needed year to date: \$82,480.00
Received year to date: \$75,936.00
UNDER budget: \$6544.00
Weekly needs: \$2062.00

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: Leigh Brown

Mission: Susie Wiberg

Education: Sue Shoemaker

Stewardship: Johnny Marshall

Worship: Nancy Davis

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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