

Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church

May 26, 2019

(*Please stand as you are able)

Rev. Laura, preacher

Jesus invites us into close friendship, to know his heart.

Prelude & Lighting of Altar Candles

Praise Song

“The Breakup Song”

Reflection Connection

Praise Song

“Scars”

*Call and Response

Liturgist: The Spirit is coming to bless us all with a new song:

People: Let our joy be complete!

Liturgist: Gifts for the good of all, poured out on all to teach us a new song:

People: Love one another!

Liturgist: Strangers and neighbors, foreigners and family will join in the new song:

People: No longer servants but friends!

Liturgist: Come, let our worship make a joyful noise,

People: Rejoicing in the friendship of God.

*Hymn

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

#526, vs. 1-3

Scripture Reading

John 15:15-17

Children’s Message

Sermon

“We Are Friends of God”

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

ALL: Lord, You know how easy it is for us to sit here, tethered to our darkness and fear. We get bound up by chains of mistrust. We dare not to hope, for so many times before we have been disappointed. So we sit here and wonder where you are. Flood us with your powerful light of love and mercy. Help open our eyes to the good news of your eternal glory. Give to us visions of the place in which love and hope will reign. Forgive our stubborn resistance to your mercy and your love. For we ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Pastor: Let the light of God’s eternal love flood into your hearts this day. Feel the healing presence of God in your lives. Accept God’s love and hope for you. This is the gift freely given for you by Jesus Christ, God’s risen Son our Lord. Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Offering

*Doxology

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

#94

*Prayer of Dedication

ALL: Most Holy One, you are the source of all good blessings in our lives. Today we bring you our gifts with joy. Though we live in uncertain times, and we sometimes fear uncertainty, may this act of giving be an act of faith. May we continue to experience the joy of deep generosity. We pray this in the name of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

Holy Communion & Lord’s Prayer

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

ALL: O Lord, pour on us the Spirit of your love, and in your kindness may you nourish us with this heavenly bread that unites us in one Body. Through the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

Announcements

*Song

“God Be with You till We Meet Again”

#672, vs. 1&2

*Benediction

Information to Share

Prayer Concerns:

Betty Bean	Marilyn Everitt	Rick Fisher	Leon Latham
Carol Martin	Leo Scherr	Bob Wade	Christine Halone, Katie’s adopted mom

Today’s Pianist: Sarah Sutton

Classes

- Adult Sunday School 9:00 am in Upper Room
- Youth Sunday School 9:00 am in Youth Room
- Open Connections 9:00 am in Grace Hall

Announcements

- Today - Yard Sale clean up
- Monday - Memorial Day - office closed

Thank you for joining us today!



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