

Grace United Methodist Church

United Methodist Mission Statement

The mission of the Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

May 12, 2019

GATHERING

Prelude *Praise!* G. Martin

Welcome and Announcements

*Greeting

Leader: Fallen, fallen is Babylon the Great.

People: All people have drunk the wine of her impure passion.

**The kings of the earth have committed fornication with her,
and the merchants of the earth have grown rich from the
wealth of her luxury.**

*Hymn of Praise *Come, Thou Almighty King* #61

*Responsive Reading Psalm 138 #853

**Gloria Patri* #70

**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.**

PROCLAMATION

Children's Message

Reading of the Word Acts 17:1-9

Proclamation of the Word *Troublemakers*

RESPONSE

Joys and Concerns and Morning Prayer

Hymn of Response *We Are the Church* #558 (vs. 1, 3 & 5)

**The Prayer of Saint Francis*

**Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace; where there is
hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where
there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there
is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy. O Divine
Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to
console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to
love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that
we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal
life.**

Offering/Offertory *For the Beauty of the Earth* Rutter

*Doxology #95

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and
the Power, and the Glory forever. Amen.**

GOING FORTH

* Hymn *Onward, Christian Soldiers* #575 (vs. 1, 2 & 4)

* Benediction

* Postlude *Sounds of Praise* R. Hughes

Helping Us			
Head Usher		Thomas Yarris	
Organist		Kathy Russell	
Communion ~ June		Walter Rutkowski	
Today		Next week	
Offering Counter	Carolyn Rutkowski Joyce Euler	Offering Counter	Sue Herman Justin Tinnemeyer
Lay Reader	In Need	Lay Reader	George Reese
Acolytes	Sadie Brown	Acolytes	Skylar Brown
Sunday School	Linda Schaefer	Sunday School	Carol Peters
<i>In our hearts this week:</i>			
Vie Riemer 522 Cumberland Woods Village Allison Park, PA 15101			
Lois Gaskell 2503 Buchman Street Natrona Heights, PA 15065			

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Tuesday floating between both churches and by appointment

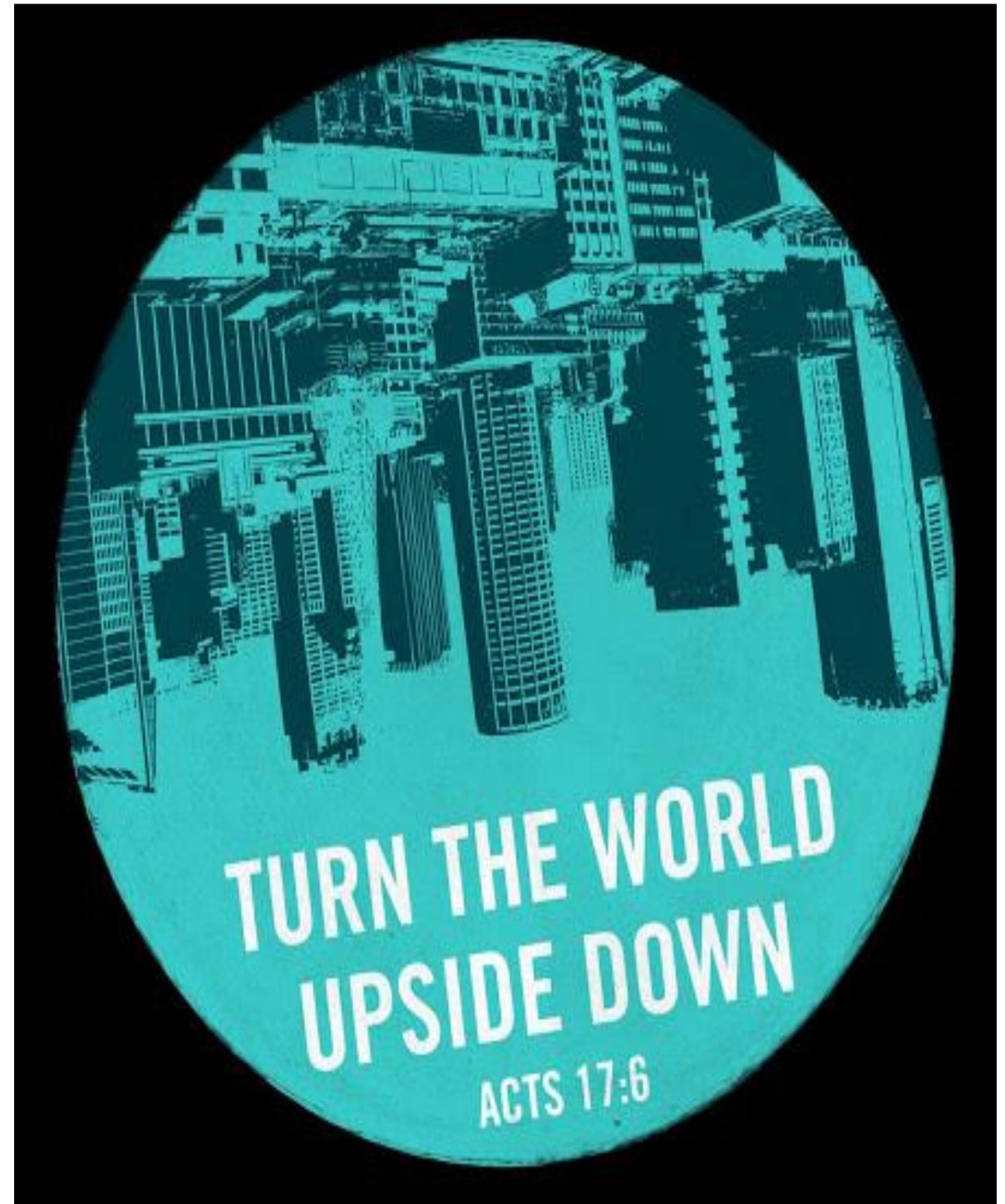
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Established in 1877

Children's bulletins and crayons are available in the front pew. You are welcome to take a bulletin to work on during worship. Return crayons after worship. Enjoy!

~At Grace~	
2 nd Sunday	Change for UMCOR
4th Tuesday (5/28/19)	Grace Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.
Monday	9:30 a.m. Thrift Shop Sorting/Cleaning
Wednesday	1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Thrift Shop



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THE WORD

Acts 17:1-9 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

17 After Paul and Silas had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was a synagogue of the Jews. ² And Paul went in, as was his custom, and on three sabbath days argued with them from the scriptures, ³ explaining and proving that it was necessary for the Messiah to suffer and to rise from the dead, and saying, "This is the Messiah, Jesus whom I am proclaiming to you." ⁴ Some of them were persuaded and joined Paul and Silas, as did a great many of the devout Greeks and not a few of the leading women. ⁵ But the Jews became jealous, and with the help of some ruffians in the marketplaces they formed a mob and set the city in an uproar. While they were searching for Paul and Silas to bring them out to the assembly, they attacked Jason's house. ⁶ When they could not find them, they dragged Jason and some believers before the city authorities, shouting, "These people who have been turning the world upside down have come here also, ⁷ and Jason has

entertained them as guests. They are all acting contrary to the decrees of the emperor, saying that there is another king named Jesus." ⁸ The people and the city officials were disturbed when they heard this, ⁹ and after they had taken bail from Jason and the others, they let them go.

Leader: This is the Word of God

Thanks be to God