

# 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.*

## July 7, 2019

### GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

\*Opening Prayer

**Lord, grant that I may think of myself as I ought to think, that I may know myself even as you know me. Herein may I exercise myself continually, when I lie down and when I get up. I want to see myself from your perspective – you infinite, me finite. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Praise                      *To God Be The Glory*                      #98

\*Responsive Reading

\*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. Amen.**

### PROCLAMATION

Children's Message

Reading of the Word                      2 Kings 5:1-14

Proclamation of the Word                      *Whose Terms?*

### RESPONSE

Joys and Concerns and Morning Prayers

Hymn of Response                      *Take My Life, and Let it be*                      #399

Invitation to the Table

\*Prayer                      God's Kindness and Care

**We offer up again our souls and bodies to you for governing, not by our wills but by yours. O let our hearts, easy and joyful under the conduct of your unerring wisdom, follow your counsels. Rule us in all things by your holy will.**

**And let us never distrust your abundant kindness and tender care over us, whatever you would have us do or suffer in this world. Amen.**

Offering/Offertory

\*Doxology                      #95

\*The Great Thanksgiving                      (no responses)

\* 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.**

\*Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

### GOING FORTH

\*Hymn                      *Amazing Grace (VV. 1-4)*                      #378

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

Helping Us			
Head Usher		Thomas Yarris	
Organist		Kathy Russell	
Communion ~ July		Joanne Maeder	
Today		Next week	
Offering Counters	Lois Gigler/ Susan Parker	Offering Counters	Jamie Tinnemeyer/ Sue Herman
Lay Reader	Linda Schaefer	Lay Reader	Joanne Maeder
Acolyte	Haiden Ball	Acolyte	Ariel Rhine
<b><i>In our hearts this week:</i></b>			
Vie Riemer, 522 Cumberland Woods Village, Allison Park, PA 15101			
Lois Gaskel, 2503 Buchman Street, Natrona Heights, PA 15068			

**GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

1333 Freeport Road, Natrona Heights, PA 15065 / 724-224-7663

**Church Office Hours: Wednesday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. & Friday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

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Rev. Dr. Andrew P. Spore, Pastor / 814-450-3606 / [drspore@hotmail.com](mailto:drspore@hotmail.com)

Office hours: Wednesday 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Tuesday floating between both churches and by appointment

Upper Allegheny Valley Director of Ministry & Community Development

Pastor Raphael Koikoi/ 281-620-9928/ [emailpastork@gmail.com](mailto:emailpastork@gmail.com)

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 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Change for UMCOR
Monday	9:30 a.m. Thrift Shop Sorting/Cleaning
Wednesday	1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Thrift Shop
July 23, 2019	Admin. Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.



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