

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.

November 18, 2018

Please Welcome Larry Eckert

GATHERING

Prelude With Grateful Hearts arr. L. Smith

Welcome and Announcements

*Greeting

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with Equity and guide all the nations upon the earth.

Let all the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth its increase; may God, our own God, bless us.

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*Hymn of Praise *We Gather Together* #131

*Responsive Reading *Psalms* #65

**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 John 1:35-46

Proclamation of the Word

Come and See

RESPONSE

Joys and Concerns and Morning Prayer

Hymn of Response *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* #694

Confession #890

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you, in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Offering/Offertory We Gather to Give Thanks Grace Hand Bell Choir

*Doxology #95

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

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 *Now Thank we All Our God* #102

* Benediction

* Postlude To God Be the Glory P. Burkhardt

Helping Us			
Head Usher		Thomas Yarris	
Organist		Kathy Russell	
Communion ~ December		Susan Parker	
Today		Next week	
Offering Counter	Lois Gigler Susan Parker	Offering Counter	Jamie Tinnemeyer Diane Schrecengost
Lay Reader	Rich Caugherty	Lay Reader	Joanne Maeder
Acolytes	Haiden Ball	Acolytes	Ariel Rhine
Sunday School	Carol Peters	Sunday School	Linda Schaefers
<i>In our hearts this week:</i>			
Betty Jean Gray	1225 Union Ave, Natrona Heights, PA 15065		
William Murdock	214 Vista Drive Apollo, PA 15613		

GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Church Office Hours Tuesday 9-12pm and Wednesday 9-3pm

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Rev. Dr. Andrew P. Spore, Pastor/814-450-3606/drspore@hotmail.com

Office hours Tuesday 10:30 – 1:00pm

Wednesday floating between both churches and by appointment

Upper Allegheny Valley Director of Ministry & Community Development

Pastor Raphael Koikoi/ 281-620-9928/ emailpastork@gmail.com

Established in 1877

This week at Grace United Methodist Church	
Every Sunday in November	Gift Card Order Day
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2 nd Sunday	Change for UMCOR
Monday	9:30 am Thrift Shop Sorting/Cleaning
Monday	6:30 pm Book Study
Wednesday	1:00 – 4:00 pm Thrift Shop



“We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.”

JOHN 1:45, NRSV

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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THE WORD

John 1:35-46 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

³⁵ The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶ and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" ³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸ When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹ He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹ He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah". ⁴² He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas".

⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶ Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see."

Leader: This is the Word of God

Thanks be to God