

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 25, 2018

GATHERING

Prelude Welsh Hymn Melody C. Becket

Welcome and Announcements

*Greeting

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."

Blessing and honor and glory and might be unto the Lamb!

Worthy is Christ who has ransomed us by his blood from every tribe and tongue and nation, and made his people a kingdom, and priests to our God.

Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come! Amen.

*Hymn of Praise *Crown Him With Many Crowns* #327

*Responsive Reading *Psalms 93* #813

**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 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

Proclamation of the Word *Why the Reign*

RESPONSE

Joys and Concerns and Morning Prayer

Hymn of Response *Jesus Shall Reign* #157

Prayer

Almighty God, who gave your Son Jesus Christ a realm where all peoples nations, and languages should serve him; make us loyal followers of our living Lord, that we may always hear his word, follow his teachings, and live in his Spirit; and hasten the day when every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that he is Lord; to your eternal glory. Amen.

Offering/Offertory Susan Parker solo

*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 *Rejoice the Lord is King* #715

* Benediction

* Postlude O God, Our Help in Ages Past arr. W Croft

Helping Us			
Head Usher		Thomas Yarris	
Organist		Kathy Russell	
Communion ~ December		Susan Parker	
Today		Next week	
Offering Counter	Jamie Tinnemeyer Diane Schrecengost	Offering Counter	Carolyn Rutkowski Melvin Ruediger
Lay Reader	In Need	Lay Reader	Rich Caugherty
Acolytes	Ariel Rhine	Acolytes	Sadie Brown
Sunday School	Linda Schaefer	Sunday School	No Sunday School
In our hearts this week:			
Vivian Watts	327 Red Pump Road Bel Aire, MD 21014		
Lois Gaskel	2503 Buchman Street Natrona Heights, PA 15065		

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

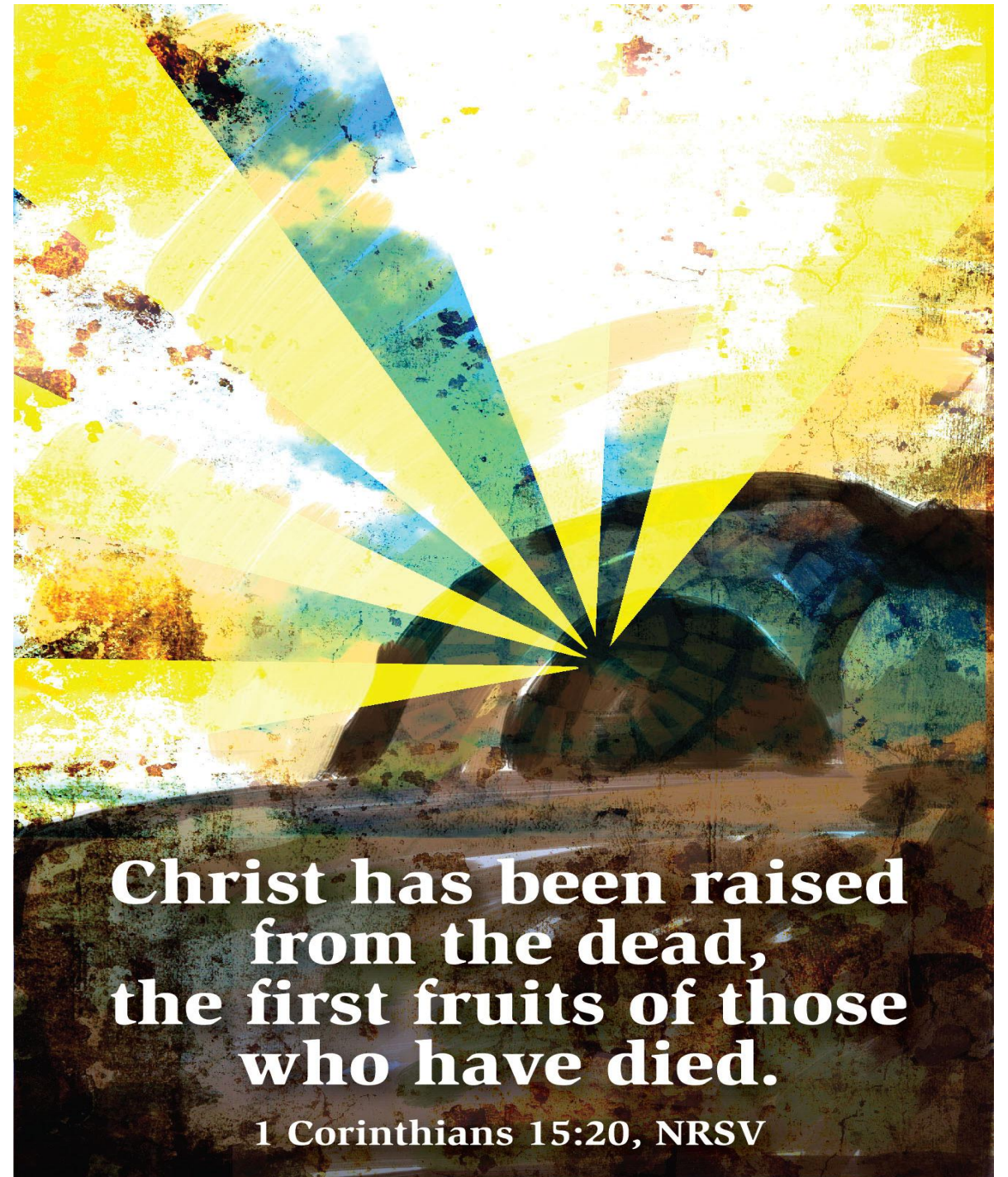
Wednesday floating between both churches and by appointment

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
Every Sunday in November	Gift Card Distribution (back table)
2 nd Sunday	Change for UMCOR
Monday	6:30 pm Book Study



**Christ has been raised
from the dead,
the first fruits of those
who have died.**

1 Corinthians 15:20, NRSV

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Decorating the Church -TODAY - at 10:30am - Please join us in decorating the church for the Christmas season. After the work is done, we will have pizza, salad and more fellowship.

POINSETTIA Orders are due December 2nd. Extra order forms are on the back table near the bulletins. You can place in the offering plate or mail to the office.

Total collected in 2018 for UMCOR \$1049.62 – We meet our 2018 goal and are challenging you to reach deep and make it \$1200. Save your change for December 9th, **ONLY \$150.38 to go!!!!**

Just Lunch – Monday, November 26th @ 12 pm Bird Dogs in Natrona Heights old Dew Drop Inn. Our friends from Freeport UMC will be joining us.

Administrative Council Meeting – Tuesday, November 27th @ 6:30pm

Gift Cards –Pick up your cards on the back table today and place your next order! Order forms are next to the bulletins. Place your orders for Christmas gift giving and donating to people in need. We will place orders every week of November for the upcoming holiday season. All proceeds benefit Grace UMC mission & outreach. **This fundraiser is in jeopardy of ending. We have lost a large contributor of this fundraiser. It will continue through the holidays when the council will make a decision on its future profitability. The shipping for the cards is between \$8.50 and \$13.50 each order.**

Foster Love Project – We've completed 6 back packs and collected numerous loose items to fill bags. Please see Joanne Maeder or Pastor Koikoi to find out what else is needed to complete bags. This mission will run December 10th when a representative will present them to the Foster Love representative. Thank you for all your hard work and generosity to make this a success.

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THE WORD

1 Corinthians 15:20-28 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹ For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²² for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death. ²⁷ For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "All things are put in subjection," it is plain that this does not include the one who put all things in subjection under him. ²⁸ When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who put all things in subjection under him, so that God may be all in all.

Leader: This is the Word of God

Thanks be to God