

# 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.*

**January 27, 2019**

## GATHERING

Prelude *Here I Am, Lord* D. Schutte

Welcome and Announcements

\*Greeting

Leader: The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life.

**People: Those who oppress the poor insult their maker. The rich and the poor have this in common: The Lord is the maker of them all.**

\*Hymn of Praise *Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven* #66

\*Responsive Reading Psalm 19 #750

\**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 Luke 4:14-21

Special Music Solo Susan Parker

Proclamation of the Word Transforming Walls

## RESPONSE

Joys and Concerns and Morning Prayer

Hymn of Response *For the Healing of the Nation* #428

Confession

**Almighty God, we confess that we are often swept up in the tide of our generation. We have failed in our calling to be your holy people, a people set apart for your divine purpose. We live more in apathy born of fatalism than in passion born of hope. We are moved more by private ambition than by social justice. We dream more of privilege and benefits than of service and sacrifice. We try to speak in your name without relinquishing our glories, without nourishing our souls, without relying wholly on your grace. Help us to make room in our hearts and lives for you. Forgive us, revive us, and reshape us in your image. Amen.**

Offering/Offertory *My God I Love The* Ancient Hymn

\*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 *The Gift of Love* #408

\* Benediction

\* Postlude *Forth in Thy Name, O Lord* J. Hatton

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Helping Us			
<b>Head Usher</b>		Thomas Yarris	
<b>Organist</b>		Kathy Russell	
<b>Communion ~ February</b>		Walter Rutkowski	
<b>Today</b>		<b>Next week</b>	
<b>Offering Counter</b>	Lois Gigler Susan Parker	<b>Offering Counter</b>	Jamie Tinnemeyer Diane Schrecengost
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Joanne Maeder	<b>Lay Reader</b>	Rich Caugherty
<b>Acolytes</b>	Ariel Rhine	<b>Acolytes</b>	Sadie Brown
<b>Sunday School</b>	Jamie Tinnemeyer	<b>Sunday School</b>	No Sunday School
<b><i>In our hearts this week:</i></b>			
<b>Lucy Croker</b> 598 Parker Road Sarver PA 16055			
<b>Dorothy Freehling</b> 1330 Broadview Boulevard, Natrona Heights, PA 15065			

**GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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

**Church Office Hours Wednesday 9-3pm & Friday 10:45-1:45pm**

graceumchurch@hotmail.com / https://gracechurch-today.org

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

**Office hours Wednesday 10:30 – 1:00pm**

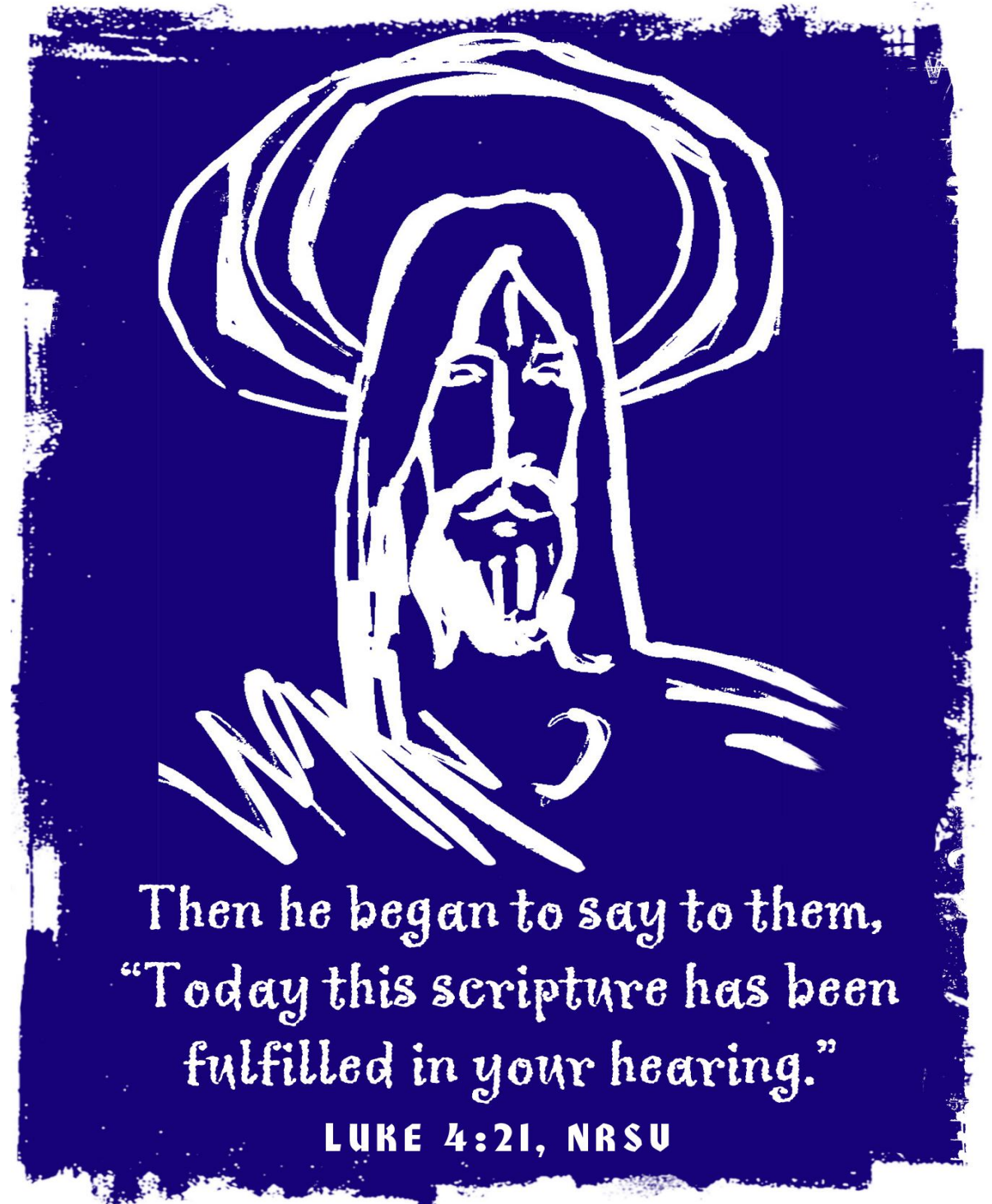
**Tuesday floating between both churches and by appointment**

Upper Allegheny Valley Director of Ministry & Community Development

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

Established in 1877

~At Grace~	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Gift Card Order Day
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3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	Gift Card Distribution (back table)
4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	Administrative Council Meeting 6:30pm
Monday	9:30 am Thrift Shop Sorting/Cleaning
Monday	6:30 pm Book Study
Wednesday	1:00 – 4:00 pm Thrift Shop



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## **THE WORD**

Luke 4:14-21 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

<sup>14</sup> Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. <sup>15</sup> He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

<sup>16</sup> When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup> and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

<sup>18</sup> "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, <sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." <sup>20</sup> And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup> Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

Leader: This is the Word of God

**Thanks be to God**