

GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
The Day of Pentecost

May 19, 2024 **10AM WORSHIP SERVICE**

*Stand if you are able

Entrance

PRELUDE "To Take Hold"
by Yanni

WORDS OF WELCOME

*PASSING THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Beloved of God, did you notice? There are dry bones all around us. In our neighborhoods, our workplaces, our schools, our community and nation and world. They are wherever people are parched for love and dignity. We notice them, and we wonder:

Will these bones live?

So many of us carry dry bones that clank around in our hearts. Dreams that are dying. Gifts that are decaying. Hopes that are neglected. Loneliness that eats away at our sense of connection with one another until we wonder:

Can these bones live?

But the Holy Spirit breathes among us. Breathe in love. Breathe in provision. Breathe in connection and flourishing. The Spirit revives us and restores us, reminding us:

These bones will live, because Love dwells among us, now and always. Thanks be to God!

*OPENING SONG "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
UMH #140

Proclamation

*WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

*RESPONSIVE SONG "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought"
UMH #128

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
As we give our financial gifts, please fill in the attendance pad

OFFERING SONG "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"
A variation on an Indian Melody
by Scott DeFranco-Norton & Margin Alexander

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*DOXOLOGY UMH #94

INTRODUCTION & SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:1-4 & 16-24
Mark 16:14-15

SERMON "The Coming of the Holy Spirit"
Pastor Brian Neville

Response

RESPONSE TO THE WORD Apostles Creed
Silent Confession

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE 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.

Sending Forth

*SENDING HYMN "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"
UMH #110

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Take My Life And Let It Be Done"
Hendon

Our mission at Grace United Methodist Church is
to be an inclusive community
passionately following Jesus Christ

Give to support GUMC

Besides the offering plate, you can give by visiting our website, gumc.org. Click the 'give online' button at the bottom and set up a one-time gift or recurring gift. Recurring online gifts reduce volunteer time, so it's a great way to give!

Gifts can also be given through text messages. Send 'gumc' to 77977 and click the link to support the work of the church!

We appreciate estimate of giving cards that share how much you plan to give in a year. Feel free to pick up a card and giving brochure in the narthex. You can drop off the estimate of giving card in the office or in an offering plate.

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Grace UMC Announcements

1. **Grace Kickball Game, TODAY! May 19th**

The kids and youth at Grace have spoken, and they want to play! Join us after worship for a fun game of kickball. All are invited and encouraged to attend and take your best kick! Meet us on the field after worship.

2. **New Member Classes, Sunday, May 19th & May 26th**

Interested in becoming a member of Grace United Methodist Church and deepening your Faith?

Visit our website for more info: www.gumc.org/calendar

To sign up, contact Pastor Brian: pastor.brian@gumc.org

3. **Family Promise Dinner, Sunday, May 19th**

Help feed those in need. We cook and deliver a delicious meal at Grace UMC in the morning and then deliver to the Hackensack, NJ Family Promise facility, where hundreds of people with housing needs can eat.

Donate or find out how to volunteer today!

See or Contact Patricia: missions@gumc.org

4. **Family Movie Night, Friday, May 24th**

Join Friends on the field for a movie night! We'll have the cub scouts, nursery school and all our friends from Grace UMC out for a fun, FREE, movie night & popcorn. Movie starts at Dusk.

5. **VBS Registration is now open!!!**

Vacation Bible School at Grace UMC ages 3.5 to 5th Grade.

Aug 12th – 16th, 9am – 12pm. Register today at:

www.gumc.org/vbs

6. **CAMP YDP Fundraiser, Thurs, June 6th**

CAMP YDP invites you to "Building Bright Futures!". A night of celebration, dining & fundraising. Grace UMC has partnered with CAMP YDP for many years Tickets are \$100 per person. For more info & to buy tickets visit: www.gumc.org/calendar

First time here? Welcome to Grace!

We're glad you've chosen to worship with us today! If you are visiting with us for the first time, or it's been a while, fill in the black attendance form so we can contact you. If you have questions about the church or faith in general, please feel free to chat with Pastor Brian or email him at:

pastor.brian@gumc.org. Thanks for joining us today!

Prayer requests

You can write down your prayer request and put it in the basket in the narthex before the start of worship or online at gumc.org/worship. They will be shared during the service unless you indicate otherwise.

We are praying for: Reba, Abby & Albert, Arleen Judith Reo, The Pakosinski Family, Rosemarie & Thomas Saunders, Roe, Lida

This Week at Grace

Find the latest updates at gumc.org/calendar

Sun. 5/19/24: 10am Worship Service; 11am Children's Choir; 11:15am Choir Practice; Family Kickball Game & Lunch

Mon. 5/20/24: 3pm TOPS; 7pm Church Council

Tues. 5/21/24: 6pm Bell Choir; 6:30pm Cub Scouts

Wed. 5/22/24: 6:30pm Cub Scouts

Thurs. 5/23/24: 6:30pm Cub Scouts; 7pm Trustees

Fri. 5/24/24: Church Office **CLOSED** for Memorial Weekend; 1pm Fox Music Lessons

Sat. 5/25/24: 8:30am Men's Meeting; 10:30am Women's Spirit AA; 5pm Grateful Beginnings AA

A Welcoming Statement of Grace Church

We welcome all people as friends in Christ, without prejudice or distinction based on race, national origin, gender, gender identity, social or economic standing, education, sexual orientation, physical or emotional limitations, or any other classification by which humanity divides people.

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"Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them:
O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD.
Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones:
I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live."

– Ezekiel 37:4-5



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