

**Grace United Methodist Church**

**January 29, 2023**

Welcome and Announcements

Rick Schlee

**L:** This is the day that the Lord has made!

**P:** Let us rejoice and be glad in it!



Centering Bell

Music to Prepare Our Hearts

Elizabeth Tombouliau

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

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Call to Worship

\*Hymn of Praise

“O Church of God, United”

UMH 547

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**O church of God, united to serve one common Lord,  
Proclaim to all one message, with hearts in glad accord.  
Christ ever goes before us; we follow day by day  
With strong and eager footsteps along the upward way.**

**From every land and nation the ordered ranks appear;  
To serve one valiant leader They come from far and near.  
They chant their one confession, they praise one living Lord,  
And place their sure dependence upon his saving word.**

**Though creeds and tongues may differ, they speak, O Christ, of thee;  
And in thy loving spirit we shall one people be.  
Lord, may our faithful service and singleness of aim  
Proclaim to all the power of thy redeeming name.**

**May thy great prayer be answered that we may all be one,  
Close bound, by love united in thee, God's blessed Son:  
To bring a single witness, to make the pathway bright,  
That souls which grope in darkness may find the one true light.**



**\*An Affirmation**

**Wonderful is the God of Christ, who gathers the poor of the earth.  
Glorious is our God, who wipes away the tears of sorrow.  
Wonderful is the God of Christ, who gives inheritance to the meek.  
Glorious is our God, who satisfies the hunger of the just.  
Wonderful is the God of Christ, who gives mercy to the merciful.  
Glorious is our God, who gives vision to the pure in heart.  
Wonderful is the God of Christ, who adopts the peacemakers.  
Glorious is our God, who lifts high the persecuted.  
Wonderful is the God of Christ, who finds the lost.  
Glorious is our God, who awakens the dead.**

**\*Gloria, Gloria**

**UMH 72**

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**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!  
Gloria, gloria! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

A Season of Prayer

Invitation to Prayer

2 Chronicles 7:14 – 16

A Time of Silence for Personal Prayer

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

**Our Father who art in heaven hallowed by 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!**

Anthem

“We Are the Hands of Christ”

Chancel Choir

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Scripture Reading

Mathew 5:1-12

**L:** This is the word of God for the people of God!

**P: Thanks be to God!**

\*Hymn of Preparation

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

UMH 420

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**Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew,  
That I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,  
Until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine,  
Till all this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,  
But live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.**



**Message**

**“Who Am I, Who Are You?”**

**Rev. Sharon Pajak**



We Share Our Gifts

Invitation to Giving

Song During Offering “Blessed Are the Broken” Elizabeth Tomboulian

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\*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him all creatures here below  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host!  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! Amen!**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving (Unison)

**God of all blessings, your beloved son teaches all we need to know to claim the life you've hoped for us. In spite of that, we live like the rest of the world that is eager to accumulate and reluctant to give, showering adoration on the rich and powerful and pushing the poor and powerless. And we bring to you our gifts, which are the result of your blessings, help us to remember who Jesus called truly blessed! We pray in the name of our teacher and savior. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Commitment “Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

TFWS 2171

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**Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.  
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,  
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.**

**Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.  
Where there is darkness, only light,  
And where there's sadness, ever joy.**

**Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek  
So much to be consoled as to console,  
To be understood as to understand,  
To be loved as to love with all my soul.**

**Make me a channel of your peace.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
In giving of ourselves that we receive,  
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.**



\*Blessing

\*Music for Going Forth      “All My Hope Is Firmly Grounded”      Elizabeth Tomboulian  
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