

THE HYMN OF INVITATION

“*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*”

(The altar of this church is open to you...come. Come to witness, come to repent, come to pray.)

Hymn 402

*THE CHIMES AND SERVICE OF LIGHT

(The Living Flame on the altar reminds us that we must carry the message of God's grace and love out from this sanctuary into the world.)

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE CHORAL RESPONSE

“*Go Now in Peace*”

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Altar Choir
Natalie Sleeth

THE POSTLUDE

“*Hornpipe*”

early english / Charles Callahan



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH THE ORDER FOR WORSHIP

November 12, 2006
9:25 a.m.

23rd Sunday after Pentecost
Liturgical Color: Green

Worship is the quickening of conscience by God's holiness; the nourishment of mind with His truth; the purifying of imagination by His beauty; the opening of the heart to His love; the surrender of the will to His purpose—and all of this gathered up in adoration, the most selfless emotion of which our nature is capable and therefore the chief remedy for that self-centeredness which is our original sin and the source of all actual sin. - William Temple.

(The asterisk (*) designates when the congregation will please stand.

Worshippers who find standing difficult are invited to remain seated.

Worshippers are encouraged to turn off their cell phones while they are in the sanctuary.

Bold print is read or sung by the congregation.)

WE GATHER TOGETHER FOR WORSHIP

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(You are invited to sign and pass the Ritual of Friendship pads.

When it reaches the end of the pew, please pass it back so that all may note those worshipping today.

Cards are available in the pew for those desiring to request prayer or praise

for specific needs, concerns and joys. Please place the card in the offering plate during the offering.)

THE PRELUDE

“*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*”

Chamber Ensemble
Jeff Cranfill

Cherub Choir
Bill Ingram

“*Joyful Noise*”

WE PREPARE OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ!

All: **We have come to experience God's grace in our worship and in our lives!**

Grace United Methodist Church

Ministers

The Congregation of Grace United Methodist Church

Pastors

Stephen A. Beutler Grace Marie Ransom Rob Ransom
Larry Newberg, Visitation Pastor

Our Missionaries

Oscar Ramos, Hispanic Ministry of North Indiana Conference
Jeff Newton, Kokomo Urban Outreach Ministries
Dr. Dennis Marke, Medical Missionary, Kissy, Sierra Leone

Specialized Ministries

Randy Manning, Director of Music Barbara Hobbs, Pianist/Organist
Jacque Hunt, Chamber Ensemble Director Cindy Lovegrove, Office Manager
Debra Long, Volunteer Parish Nurse Phill Montgomery, Counselor

Our Greeters today are Charlie & Becky Reed and Julie Maupin.

The flowers are given to the glory of God by Jerry & Georgeann Jackson in honor of their Grandchildren and by the Pinto and Potts Family in memory of Linda Potts, Karin Pinto's Mother.

The white rose on the altar is in honor and in memory of Herb Fiasche.

The red rose on the altar is in celebration of the birth of Thomas Ray Copher, born on Sat., November 4th; Grandson of Larry & Sue Murrell and Great Grandson of Mildred Smith.

*THE CHIMES AND SERVICE OF LIGHT

(The congregation stands with the first note of the chimes.

The lighted candles on the altar symbolize the presence of God's Holy Spirit.

The Holy Bible is facing the congregation as a reminder that God's Word is open and available to all.)

WE OPEN OUR LIVES TO GOD

*THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"He is Exalted/O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Stan Pethel

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high; I will praise him.
He is exalted, forever exalted and I will praise his name!
He is the Lord, forever his truth shall reign;
heaven and earth rejoice in his holy name
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

Jesus! The name that charms our fear, that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.

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THE CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

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 Jesus Christ is Lord; to your eternal glory. Hear us now as we pray, each in our own words and our own way.

Moments of Silent Prayer

(Those desiring to come to the altar for prayer are welcome to come to kneel or stand.)

The 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.

CAROL-CHORISTERS

"Come, Sing a Song of Praise"

Anna Page

(During the playing of the hymn, "Children of the Heavenly Father",

Children, pre-school through Grade 2 are invited to attend an age appropriate

Worship experience in Room #102, Lower Level.

An adult will meet the children at the sanctuary exit to escort our little ones to their room.)

WE HEAR THE LIVING WORD

*THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURE

THE ANTHEM

"Come Follow Me"

Altar Choir
Joseph Martin

THE PROCLAMATION

"E - Excellence, All We Do For God"

Pastor Steve Beutler

WE DEDICATE OURSELVES TO GOD

RESPONDING TO GOD IN OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

(If you are visiting this morning, you are our guest. If Grace U.M. Church is your home, remember that the biblical expectation is that you will give your tithes to your church. May we all remember that giving to God in response to His great love is the most celebrative moment of corporate worship. Today's loose coin offering is dedicated to CAM.)

The Giving of our Tithes and Offering

The Offertory

"Jesu, Jesu" Hymn 432

*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

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.

Anne Krentz, Organ