



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH THE ORDER FOR WORSHIP

September 30, 2007
9:25 a.m.

18th Sunday after Pentecost
Liturgical Color: Green

I want to serve You, my God
I want to give everything
I want to serve You, my King, yeah
I want to serve You, my Lord
I want to give You everything, yeah
Shawn McDonald, "Open Me"

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 - **Patrick Borders**

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

"Praise Him"

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" Hymn 89

"When the Saints go Marching In"

GUMBY - 6th Grade Band

Beethoven
Higgins

WE PREPARE OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

THE CALL TO WORSHIP - **Alli Miller**

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 Chris Roberts Larry Newberg

Our Missionaries

Rev. Jeff Newton, Kokomo Urban Outreach Ministries

Dr. Dennis Marke, Medical Missionary, Kissy, Sierra Leone

Rev. Ken Vance., Missionary, Ndola, Town Center, Kafakumba Pastor's School, Africa

Specialized Ministries

Randy Manning, Director of Music

Jacque Hunt, Chamber Ensemble Director

Debbra Long, Volunteer Parish Nurse

Carisa Durham, Childcare Provider

Chuck Hefley, Church Administrator

Barbara Hobbs, Pianist/Organist

Cindy Lovegrove, Office Manager

Phill Montgomery, Counselor

Adriene Riggle, Childcare Provider

T.J. Knowland, Youth Director

Our Greeters today are Jim & Linda Henry and Bill & Darlene Kommans.

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Sid & Ruth Golightly;

celebrating their marriage at Grace United Methodist Church on October 6, 1943 - 64 years ago.

The white rose on the altar is in honor and memory of Clara Simpson.

Youth Sunday

Greeters - Josh Maupin, Michael Parrish, Austin Mitts, Patrick May,

Jacob Bradshaw, Kyle Hartzog,

Ushers - Steve Miller, Ben Bradshaw, Michael Parrish, Colin Hughes, Austin Mitts, Vicki Sheldon,

Lauren Shively, Megan Hedges, Haleigh Parrish, Abram Stamper

Drama - Katelyn Kingseed, Matt Borders, Landon Egloff, Steve Miller, Kasey May, Alexis Stamper

*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 HYMN OF WORSHIP

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Hymn No. 140

Musical Interlude

OFFERING GOD 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 Nesting Doves.

The Giving of our Tithes and Offering

The Offertory

"Thy Word"

Amy Grant and Michael W. Smith, arr. By Mark Hayes

*The Chorus and Prayer of Dedication - **Leanna Zimmerman**

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.

DRAMA

"Surrender"

WE HEAR THE LIVING WORD

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON - **Matt Borders**

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 51:1-10
(Pew Bible page No 405)

THE PROCLAMATION - **Andrew Shively**

"SPEED BUMPS ON THE ROAD TO CHRIST"

SPECIAL MUSIC

"In This Very Room"

Barbara Hobbs
Ron Harris and Carol Harris, arr. by Phillip Keveren

WE DEDICATE OURSELVES TO GOD

THE CALL TO PRAYER - **Ben Bradshaw**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

O Christ, take hold of us. If we have fallen, lift us up. If we have lost sight of the finish line, point the way. If we have gone off the path, direct us back to You.

Grasp our hands and pull us forward, seize our spirits and urge them on; show us the course, and we will press toward the goal. Hear us now as we pray each in our own words and our own ways.

Moments of Silent Prayer

Those desiring to come to the altar for a time of intercessory prayer are welcome to come and kneel or stand.

All are invited to spend these moments in silent prayer seated at your pew.

The Pastoral Prayer - **Alexis Stamper**

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

*HYMN OF INVITATION TO A LIFE WITH CHRIST

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

The altar of this church is open to you... come.

Come to witness, come to repent, come to pray.

Barbara Hobbs

Hymn No. 474

*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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"You Never Let Go"

Youth Choir
Matt Redman

*THE BENEDICTION - **Andrew Shively**

THE POSTLUDE

"Toccata in C"

Jose Antonio Carlos de Seixas

Free will offering will be available as you exit for the Youth Fund.