

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE CHORAL RESPONSE
"Reach Out and Touch"

THE POSTLUDE
"Gigue"

Altar Choir
Charles F. Brown

Christoph Nichelmann



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH THE ORDER FOR WORSHIP

October 7, 2007
9:25 a.m.

World Wide Communion Sunday
Liturgical Color: White

Worship is the highest and noblest act that any person can do. When we worship, God is satisfied! "The Father seeks such to worship Him." Amazing, isn't it? And when we worship, we are fulfilled! Think about this: why did Jesus Christ come? He came to make worshipers out of rebels. We who were once self-centered have to be completely changed so that we can shift our attention outside of ourselves and become able to worship Him.

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 "Hornpipe"

Early English/Charles Callahan

WE PREPARE OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

CHILDREN'S CHURCH KIDS

"Jesus Says"

"Hallelu, Hallelu"

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 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

Phil Montgomery, Counselor

Adriene Riggle, Childcare Provider

TJ Knowland, Youth Director

Our Greeters today are Chuck & Nancy Hefley and Sally Tate.

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Adair Younce in honor of Patrick and Douglas's Birthdays and Bill & Mary Shipley in celebration of their 64th Wedding Anniversary.

*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

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

Musical Interlude

Hymn No. 64

EXPERIENCING THE "ONE ANOTHER'S" OF SCRIPTURE

I Thessalonians 5:11

Susan Pickard

THE CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, you demonstrated faithfulness in all of life, even to death on the cross. We remember your gift of love this day with all others throughout the world who have received your salvation. Grant unto us grace and strength to join together as a "one another" community of believers to faithfully follow you.

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

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.

WE HEAR THE LIVING WORD

THE ANTHEM

"Stay with Us"

Altar Choir, flute played by Cathy Hale

Walter L. Pelz

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 3:1-9, 4:1-4, 13-14, 23, 31-37
(Pew Bible page No 773)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

THE PROCLAMATION

Pastor Steve Beutler

"THE BARNABAS SYNDROME"

"Encourage One Another"

WE DEDICATE OURSELVES TO GOD

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 tithe 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

"The Solid Rock" / "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

Howard Helvey

*The Chorus 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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The congregation is invited to approach one of the communion stations to receive the elements. The ushers will direct you as to when you may come. All who desire to participate are invited to come, kneel or stand, and receive the elements of Holy Communion by intinction (you may receive a piece of the broken bread and dip it into the cup). You may remain in an attitude of prayer and meditation at the altar or pew as long as you desire. Please return to your pew by the side aisles. Should you desire, the communion elements will be made available for you to partake in your pew.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN OF INVITATION TO A LIFE WITH CHRIST

"Take Our Bread"

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

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

Hymn No. 640

*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.