



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH THE ORDER FOR WORSHIP

June 1, 2008
9:25 a.m.

3rd Sunday after Pentecost
Liturgical Color: Green

"I know you're always there
To hear my every prayer inside
I'm clinging to the promise of a lifetime
I hear the words you say
To never walk away from me and leave behind
The promise of a lifetime"
-Kutless, "Promise of a Lifetime"

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

"Songs of the Spirit"

arr by J. Elleman

WE PREPARE OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the Lord!

All: **Hallelujah!**

Leader: Hallelujah!

All: **Amen!**

Grace United Methodist Church

The Congregation of Grace United Methodist Church

Ministers

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

Tina Browning, Childcare Provider

Chuck Hefley, Church Administrator

TJ Knowland, Youth Director

Our Greeters today are Val & Eleanor Harris and Connie Wall.

The Acolyte is Deanna Hedges.

Server this month during our Fellowship Time is Lois Hunkler.

The Altar Flowers were given to the glory of God by Barb & Mel Hobbs in honor of their 6th Anniversary

And Hazel & Galen Hodge in honor of their 50th Anniversary.

The white rose on the Altar is in honor and memory of our friend, Dan Conley.

*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

"Amazing Grace - My Chains are Gone"

Musical Interlude

See Insert
Chris Tomlin

THE CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: **Almighty and Powerful God, You show Yourself to Your people everyday.**

You have guided us through tough times when we felt like there was no way out. You comfort us when we feel there is no home. You speak to us when we think there is no one there. You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to this earth so we could experience and see You in a more powerful way. Through Your sacrifice, You promise us that we will one day be with You and will look You in the face. The Holy Spirit works in us everyday so that we can serve You and feel Your loving arms around us. 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 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"God With Us"

Ron Harper
Jim Bryson

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

TJ Knowland

WE HEAR THE LIVING WORD

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

2 Timothy 4:16-18
(Pew Bible page No 843)

THE PROCLAMATION

TJ Knowland

"WHERE'S WALDO? WHERE'S GOD?"

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 Relay for Life.

The Giving of our Tithes and Offering

The Offertory

"Khumbula Ubuhle (Remember Goodness)"

*The Chorus and Prayer of Dedication

Vesper Handbell Choir
Sondra Tucker

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.

*HYMN OF INVITATION TO A LIFE WITH CHRIST

"How Great Thou Art"

Hymn 77

*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 POSTLUDE

"Processional"

C. Saint-Saens