



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
THE ORDER FOR WORSHIP

June 7, 2009  
9:25 a.m.

1st Sunday after Pentecost  
Liturgical Color: White

Keep silence, friend, for some have come to cast their care on God today, and some to praise from thankful hearts; and some “Thy Kingdom Come” to pray. Keep silence, let Him speak anew to every heart—perhaps to you.

*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  
*Preludium*

Johann Kaspar Fischer

**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!**

\*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**

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN  
**“Be Still My Soul”**

*(Musical Interlude)*

Hymn 534

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                      Barbara Hobbs, Pianist/Organist

Jacque Hunt, Chamber Ensemble Director                      Cindy Lovegrove, Office Manager

Debra Long, Volunteer Parish Nurse                      Phill Montgomery, Counselor

Carisa Durham, Childcare Provider                      Brandy Dodd, Childcare Provider

Tina Browning, Childcare Provider                      T.J. Knowland, Youth Director

Our Greeters today are Bill & Pat Moberly and Connie Wall.

The Acolyte is Bethany Roberts.

Fellowship Time will be hosted by Phyllis & Larry Grant, Ralph Cory and Mel Hobbs.

Instruments played during today's service are: drums - Jon Rodgers;

bass guitar - Rob Pinto; flute - Cassie Hale.

The Altar Flowers were given to the glory of God by Dale & Grace Kingseed in honor of Jeff's 50th birthday and Larry & Phyllis Grant in celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

## THE CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

All: **O Lord, that we dare confess anything at all to You before our brothers and sisters here in this church today is proof that we believe that You already know us as we are; that we believe that You are able to do something about it; and that we are willing to step from our worlds of pretense, fantasy and illusion into a kind of “facing-up-to-things-as-they-are” where You can touch us, and forgive us, and love us, and accept us and make us new. This is hard, Lord, but here we are. So we ask that you hear us now as we pray, each in our own words and our own way.**

## Moments of Silent Prayer

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

Leader: This statement is completely reliable and should be universally accepted: Christ Jesus entered the world to rescue sinners. He personally bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might be dead to sin and be alive to all that is good. God's mercy never ends. I tell you, in the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

## 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.**

## THE LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

THE ANTHEM

*“Alpha and Omega”*

Psalms 131

Altar Choir

arr. by Camp Kirkland

## \*THE GOSPEL LESSON

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Luke 12:22-32

## THE PROCLAMATION

LIKE A CHILD QUIETED

Pastor Steve Beutler

## 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

*“A Mighty Fortress”*

setting by Joel Raney

\*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**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Hymnal pg. 18

### THE ALTAR CHOIR

*“Communion Invitation”*

Larry Shackley

### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*The congregation is invited to approach the altar to receive the elements through the center aisle. The ushers will direct you as to when you may come. All who desire to participate are invited to come, receive a piece of bread and go to the rail where you may kneel or stand. You may remain in an attitude of prayer and meditation at the altar 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 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

*“Let The Peace Of Christ Rule In Your Heart”*

Altar Choir

Denny Cagle

### THE POSTLUDE

*Fughetta*

Johann Kaspar Fischer

## WE HEAR THE LIVING WORD