



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
THE ORDER FOR WORSHIP

August 30, 2009
9:25 a.m.

13th Sunday after the Pentecost
Liturgical Color: Green

“It was, thanks no doubt to heavenly power and aid, that the doctrine of salvation like the rays of the sun, suddenly lighted up the whole world.” - Eusebius, *Ecclesiastical History*

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

“Let There be Praise!”

setting by Fred Brock

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

*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

Musical Interlude

Hymn No. 89

Grace United Methodist Church

Ministers

The Congregation of Grace United Methodist Church

Pastors

Rev. Stephen A. Beutler Rev. Stacey Fischer Gehring Rev. 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

Barbara Hobbs, Music Ministries TJ Knowland, Youth Director
Amanda Kelly, Director of Children’s Ministry Jacque Hunt, Chamber Ensemble Director
Cindy Lovegrove, Office Manager Debbra Long, Volunteer Parish Nurse
Phill Montgomery, Counselor Carisa Durham, Childcare Provider
Brandy Dodd, Childcare Provider Tina Browning, Childcare Provider

Our Greeters today are Dale & Grace Kingseed and Milt & Helen Brown.

Our Liturgist today is Angie Smith.

Today’s Acolyte is Delaney White.

Fellowship Time will be hosted by Scott & Adriene Riggie and Mel Hobbs.

The Altar Flowers were given to the glory of God by the Pinto Family in memory of Ana Valdes.

THE CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray. Grant, Holy One, that thinking,

All: **we may think Your thoughts;**

Leader: that speaking,

All: **we may speak Your word;**

Leader: that hearing,

All: **we may hear Your truth;**

Leader: and that willing,

All: **we may make Your will our own, so that going out at the end of our**

worship, we may walk in Your love and Your peace, and departing from one another, not depart from 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Romanza

Jennifer Kirkman, bassoon
Gaetano Donizetti

During the playing of the hymn, "Jesus Loves Me" children, preschool through Grade 2, are invited to attend Children's Church in the Multi-Purpose Room, lower level. An adult will meet the children at the sanctuary exit to escort our little ones.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Philippians 2:12-18

SPECIAL MUSIC

English Folksongs No. 3 and 4

Jennifer Kirkman, bassoon
Ralph Vaughn Williams

THE PROCLAMATION

Rev. Stacey Fisher Gehring

A LIBATION FOR THE LORD

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 Kokomo Urban Outreach supporting the Buddy Bags needed for school children.

The Giving of our Tithes and Offering

The Offertory

"This Little Light of Mine"

*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

setting by Calvin Taylor
Hymn No. 95

*THE HYMN OF INVITATION TO A LIFE WITH CHRIST

"Jesus, Thine All-Victorious Love"

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

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

Hymn No. 422

*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

"Grand Choeur"

Gordon Young

WE HEAR THE LIVING WORD