

Grace United Church of Christ



Artist, He Qi, Samaritan-Woman-at-the-Well

Sunday, March 15, 2020

Third Sunday in Lent

11:00 a.m.

Call to Worship
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*Welcome! It is a pleasure to have you with us this morning.
This morning we will use the New Century Hymnal (NCH) Worship & Song Book (W&S).*

We Gather

Prelude "Prelude on 'Rockingham'" Jonas Dawson
Edward Miller, arr. Lani Smith

Welcome *Please sign the red Friendship Book in your pew.
Call of the Engelbrecht Memorial Bell*

Choir Introit "Send Us Your Spirit", Dan Schrute Grace Choir

***Call to Worship**

L: O come, let us sing to the LORD

P: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

L: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;

P: Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord with songs of praise!

L: For the LORD is a great God, and a great Sovereign above all gods.

All: O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

*Opening Song "God of Grace and God of Glory" NCH # 436

***Prayer of Confession (responsive)**

God of mercy, hear the prayers of your thirsting people.
For every time we have attributed your miracles in our lives
to our own hands alone,
Forgive us, we pray.

For every time we promised to trust you but turned to our own way
when your response did not come soon enough
or in the way we expected,
Grant us mercy, O God.

For the many opportunities to extend forgiveness
that we have refused,

Show us what it means to love, again, dear Lord.

For each way we put our own understandings above your wisdom,
For each time we resist your command to be reconciled with those
who believe differently from us,

Direct us in the way of peace, we pray.

For our silent sins, our quiet acts of violence,
and our indifference to the suffering round us,

Forgive us, Loving One, and quench our thirst with your grace;

Remake us into vessels of tenderness and compassion.

For Christ's sake we pray. Amen.

*Words of Assurance

Because of God's great love for us,
we have peace with God and access to God's grace
all through Jesus Christ

who, while we were still sinners,
died to free us from the bondage of sin.

Therefore, we may ask of Christ

to give us the living water that quenches the dryness of our souls.

In this we know we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

We Listen

Scripture Reading

Exodus 17:1-7

Michael Davies

Choral Anthem

"Jesus, Priceless Treasure"
Johann Crueger (1649), setting by Ludwig Lenel

Grace Choir

*Gospel Reading

John 4:5-42

Pastor Jessica Townsley

Children's Message

Trish Abell

*Following the Children's Message, Kindergarten through 5th graders are invited to the
fellowship hall for Children's Church; a time of Bible lessons, crafts, songs and fun activities.*

For children 5 years and younger, our Nursery is available during the worship service.

We Respond

Prayers of the People

Call for Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "A Lenten Psalm", Wihla Hutson Jonas Dawson

*Offertory Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

We are Sent

Announcements

*Closing Prayer

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn "Fill My Cup Lord" W&S # 3093

*Dismissal

*Choral Benediction "God Be With You" Grace Choir
Jeremiah E. Rankin (1880, alt.)

Ring of the Engelbrecht Memorial Bell

*Postlude "Joyful!" Jonas Dawson
Ludwig van Beethoven (Hymn to Joy)
and William Croft (St. Anne), arr. Ruth Elaine Schram



WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

We are delighted that you joined us for worship this morning. Please be sure to sign the red Friendship Book in your pew. If you have any difficulty hearing the service, one of our ushers can provide you with a hearing assistance device. We also have large print bulletins and hymnals available.

Children in Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to join us for Children's Church - a time of Bible lessons, crafts, songs and other fun activities. We leave the Sanctuary following the Children's Message. For children 5 years and younger, our Nursery is available during the worship service. Following the worship service, please join us for fellowship.

Welcome to Grace Church!

Sanctuary Audio/Video Project Update

We continue our work towards completing our AV system installation the goal of being able to provide in-service projection on the wall, and live streaming to the internet. At the moment **ONLY** the sermon and the anthems are being posted on the internet. Any change in this will be clearly communicated. **Please consider joining the Grace AV**



Team! We need both system operators and individuals to discuss privacy and policy, and to help brainstorm ideas to grow our digital footprint!

If you are interested please speak with Mark Edwards or mail mse103@mac.com



DID YOU KNOW... *Grace UCC has a YouTube channel!*

**Watch our Sermons and Choir on
YouTube @ GraceLiveFrederick**



Videos are normally posted weekly and ready to
by Sunday Evening.

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View our sermons and choir anthems on YouTube.
Just search on Youtube or on Google for GraceLiveFrederick.

Please take time to subscribe! *Join the GraceLiveFrederick Team!*

GRACE UCC WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 15

Third Sunday in Lent

Thirsty Voices

9:45 AM Christian Educ.

11:00 AM Worship

Monday, March 16

6:30 PM TFC Young Adults

Tuesday, March 17

St. Patrick's Day

6:30 PM Lenten Book Study

6:30 PM MKP

Wednesday, March 18

6:30 PM TFC Youth Group

Thursday, March 19

**10:30 AM Lenten Book Study
at Homewood**

6:00 PM FCHD support Group

7:00 PM Disciple Bible Study

Friday, March 20

Saturday, March 21

Sunday, March 22

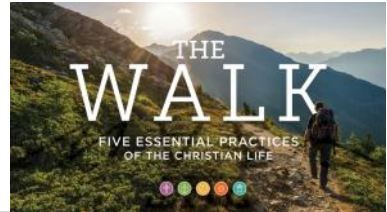
ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Restored

9:45 AM Christian Educ.

11:00 AM Worship



The Walk by Adam Hamilton

Lenten Bible Study

Tuesdays during Lent at 7PM

Starting Tuesday, March 17!

Join us as we walk the Lenten Journey looking at important spiritual practices of the Christian life. There is no cost, but to reserve your spot, please email pastor Rob at pastor-rob@grucc.com so we have enough books for everyone.

Join us!

Grace UCC Winter Mission Emergency Cleanup Bucket and Supply Drive



You can provide assistance to families and communities affected by flooding, tornados and other disasters.

Grace Church is still collecting supplies for Church World Service's Emergency Clean Up Bucket kits. Each bucket needs the supplies listed below. Those interested can donate buckets, supplies, or any combination of the two. There is a bin in the back of the Good Shepherd Room where supplies may be dropped off.

- One five-gallon bucket with resealable lid (If bucket has been used, clean well but do not use if it has held chemicals of any kind.)
- Four scouring pads
- Seven sponges, including one large
- One scrub brush
- Eighteen reusable, lightweight dry cleaning towels (e.g. Handi wipes)
- One 50 oz. or two 25 oz. bottle(s) of liquid laundry detergent
- One 16-28 oz. bottle of liquid disinfectant dish soap
- One 12-16 oz. bottle of household cleaner that can be mixed with water (no spray bottles)
- One package of 48-50 clothespins
- Clothesline, two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.
- Five dust masks
- Two pairs heavy-duty, waterproof dishwashing gloves (latex-free, non-surgical)
- One pair work gloves, cotton with leather palm or all leather
- 24-28 heavy duty or contractor type 30-45 gallon trash bags on a roll and removed from carton
- One 6-9 oz. bottle of non-aerosol insect repellent





Daily Bible Reading

Sunday, March 15, 2020: Third Sunday in Lent
Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

Monday, March 16, 2020:
Psalm 81; Genesis 24:1-27; 2 John 1:1-13

Tuesday, March 17, 2020:
Psalm 81; Genesis 29:1-14; 1 Corinthians 10:1-4

Wednesday, March 18, 2020:
Psalm 81; Jeremiah 2:4-13; John 7:14-31, 37-39

Thursday, March 19, 2020:
Psalm 23; 1 Samuel 15:10-21; Ephesians 4:25-32

Friday, March 20, 2020:
Psalm 23; 1 Samuel 15:22-31; Ephesians 5:1-9

Saturday, March 21, 2020:
Psalm 23; 1 Samuel 15:32-34; John 1:1-9

Sunday, March 22, 2020: Fourth Sunday in Lent
1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41



CARING & SHARING PRAYER LIST

The following are members and friends of our church family who are currently ill, hospitalized, or home-bound. ***Please keep them in your prayers and perhaps send a note or a card.*** If you know of anyone who should be added to this list, please contact the church office at admin@grucc.com

Millie Davis	801 Pine Ave., Frederick, MD 21701
Joe Free	Citizens Nursing & Rehab Center
Miriam Himes	Edenton, Orchard Terrace, 5905 Edenton Court, Room #705, Frederick, MD 21702
Charlotte Hoover	7404 Willow Road, Nursing at Meadows, Frederick, MD 21702
Pam Kehne	1632 Wall Dr., Pasadena, MD 21122
Betty Linton	Sunrise Senior Living 990 Waterford Dr., Unit 206, Frederick, MD 21702

Please note that hospitals are no longer permitted to contact churches on behalf of their patients. If you know of a church member who is hospitalized, please inform the church office. If you or a family member is hospitalized in an emergency situation, please call Pastor Rob at 240-217-2767.

2020 Church Council Officers and Commission Chairs

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SUNDAY, APRIL 19

Drag BINGO

CASH BINGO • 50/50 RAFFLES • TIP JAR • DOOR PRIZES

Performance by
Nicole James & Stephanie Michaels



Round 1 begins 1:00 pm
Round 2 begins 6:00 pm

\$35 online or \$45 at the door

The Orioles Nest 331
1037 W. Patrick St.

Lunch provided. Ages 21+.
Doors open 12:30pm.

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Ladies and Gentlemen
don't put your Easter
bonnet away just yet!!

Prize for the best Easter
bonnet so get creative!

New York City Bus Trip Wednesday, June 24th

Depart Frederick 6:00 am
Park and Ride Rt 144, exit 56 off I-70
Return from Manhattan Leaving 8:00 pm



Cost: \$48/per person/Make checks payable to Grace UCC
Who? Everybody! Grace Church, Family and Friends!

This is a 49 passenger bus, seats are limited.

RSVP ASAP to tonyhemler0@gmail.com.

Questions? Contact Tony Hemler 443-536-6829 or Missy Moxley 301-305-9561



THE RELIGIOUS COALITION'S *EMERGENCY FAMILY SHELTER*
Grace UCC will be hosting the Emergency Family Shelter on
March 28 through April 4th
(another church cancelled and we are filling in for them)

The RCEHN/EFS folks will provide evening volunteers. However, we will need volunteers for set-up and break-down. Contact Carol Garrison or Trevor Addie with questions or to volunteer.

Food Drive



FCAA - FOOD BANK—"GRACE GROCERIES"

On the third Sunday of every month, we dedicate the "Grace Groceries" that have been collected in our little red wagon (in the narthex) then delivered to the Frederick Foodbank.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS NEEDED, FOR EXAMPLE:

PEANUT BUTTER ~ PASTA ~ RICE ~ SPAGHETTI ~ TOMATO SAUCE

CEREAL ~ CANNED FISH ~ CANNED MEATS



SERVE AT FREDERICK COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY'S (FCAA)
SOUP KITCHEN — SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2020 AT 4:45 PM

Grace Church volunteers serve at the Soup Kitchen on the 3rd Sunday of even months. It's a rewarding mission experience and we always have fun. Won't you join us? 14 East All Saints Street, Frederick, MD 21701.

Or, contact Jerry Prinler at jerryprin@comcast.net or Trevor Addie at trevor.grucc@gmail.com for more information.



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SUNDAY WORSHIP – 11:00 AM

Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of every month.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Sunday, March 15, 2020

Scripture Reader: Michael Davies
Children's Message: Trish Abell
Children's Church: TBD
Altar Guild: Joan Princler

Sunday, March 22, 2020

Scripture Reader: Sarah Drenning
Children's Message: Pastor Rob
Children's Church: TBD
Altar Guild: Sergei Travis

*If you would like to serve as a greeter, or host fellowship time after worship,
please add your name to the sign up sheet in the Good Shepherd Room.*

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