

Grace United Church of Christ



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Third Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 5, 2019
11:00 AM

Worship Service & Holy Communion
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Welcome! It is a pleasure to have you with us this morning.

This morning we will use the green Worship & Song hymnal (W&S).

**Indicates when people are invited to stand.*

We Gather

Prelude "Rondeau" Jonas Dawson
Mac-Antoine Charpentier, arr. Michael Ryan

Welcome *Please sign the red Friendship Book in your pew.*

Call of the Engelbrecht Memorial Bell

Choir Introit "Come, God, Creator, Be Our Shield" Grace Choir
Marion M. Meyer (1900)

*Call to Worship (based on Psalm 30)

L: I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

P: O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

L: Sing praises to the LORD, O you faithful ones, and give thanks to God's holy name.

P: Your anger is but for a moment; Your favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

L: You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.

P: My soul will praise you and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

*Opening Songs "Come, Now is the Time to Worship" W&S #3176
"Word of God Speak" W&S #3184

*Opening Prayer (in unison)

Let us pray. O God, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world, rescuing us from the hopelessness of death. Grant your faithful people a share in the joys that are eternal; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sung Response "Gloria" #756

*Passing of the Peace

We Listen

Reading Acts 9:1-20 Beth Warren

Choir Anthem "Exaltation" Grace Choir
words by Bryan Jeffery Leech, music by Jan Sanborn

*Gospel John 21:1-19 Rev. Rob Apgar-Taylor

Children's Message Carol Garrison

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.

Sermon "Broken and Blessed and Broken Again" Rev. Rob Apgar-Taylor

Hymn "Falling on my Knees" W&S #3099

We Respond

Prayers of the People

Call for Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "It Is Well With My Soul" Jonas Dawson
Philip P. Bliss, arr. Jan Sanborn

*Offertory Prayer

*The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: ...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory,

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Leader: ...And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

ALL: Christ has died;

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

Leader: ...Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

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.

Breaking Bread and Pouring Wine

Please be seated

Sharing the Elements

As you are dismissed from your pew, come forward using the center aisle.

This morning we offer bread and your choice of wine (in the silver chalice) or grape juice (in the pottery chalice). Please return to your seats using the side aisles.

Blessing after Communion

We invite all who would like a blessing, especially children and those who did not participate in communion of bread and cup, to come forward.

We are Sent

Announcements

*Closing Prayer

*Closing Hymn "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" W&S #3001

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction "As We Part for the Towns and Cities" Grace Choir
words by John Thornburg, music by Jackson Henry

Ring of the Engelbrecht Memorial Bell

*Postlude "Festive Postlude on 'Truro'" Jonas Dawson
from Thomas Williams' Psalmody Evangelica (1789), Mary McDonald

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The yellow rose on the altar is presented by the Altar Guild in memory of deceased war veterans and in honor of those who have served our country, as well as those currently on active duty.

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**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 5<sup>th</sup> 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!***

***Grace Prayer Chain***



If you are interested in being part of the Grace Prayer Chain to hold up those in need of prayer throughout the congregation and beyond; please contact Pastor Rob or add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Good Shepherd Room.



# Daily Bible Reading

## **Sunday, May 5, 2019**

### **Third Sunday of Easter**

Acts 9:1-6, (7-20)

Psalm 30

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

## **Monday, May 6, 2019:**

Psalm 121;

Ezekiel 1:1-25;

Acts 9:19b-31

## **Tuesday, May 7, 2019:**

Psalm 121;

Ezekiel 1:26-2:1;

Acts 26:1-18

## **Wednesday, May 8, 2019:**

Psalm 121;

Isaiah 6:1-8;

Luke 5:1-11

## **Thursday, May 9, 2019:**

Psalm 23;

Ezekiel 11:1-25;

Revelation 5:1-10

## **Friday, May 10, 2019:**

Psalm 23;

Ezekiel 20:39-44;

Revelation 6:1-7:4

## **Saturday, May 11, 2019:**

Psalm 23;

Ezekiel 28:25-26;

Luke 12:29-32

## **Sunday, May 12, 2019:**

### **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 9:36-43

Psalm 23

Revelation 7:9-17

John 10:22-30



## 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. Addresses can be obtained from the church office, or you can pick up a church directory from one of the ushers. If you know of anyone who should be added to this list, please call the church office.

|                       |                                                                           |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Kevin Chapman         | 1403 Orangetip Ct, Frederick, MD 21703                                    |
| Millie Davis          | 801 Pine Ave., Frederick, MD 21701                                        |
| Debbie Donohue        | PO Box 55, Keymar, MD 21757                                               |
| Joe Free              | Citizens Nursing & Rehab Center                                           |
| Jean Gaver            | 7407 Willow Rd, Nursing at Meadows, Frederick, MD 21702                   |
| Paul and Miriam Himes | 9810 Masser Rd., 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<br>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.



# GRACE UCC WEEKLY CALENDAR

## Sunday, May 5 Cinco de Mayo

- 9:45 AM Christian Education classes
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 5:00 PM Redemption City Church (S)



**7 PM - 9 PM**  
**Interfaith Peace and**  
**Justice Forum at Grace UCC**

## Monday, May 6

- 6:30 PM TFC Young Adults

## Tuesday, May 7

- 6:30 PM Mankind Project

## Wednesday, May 8

- 6:30PM TFC Youth Group

## Thursday, May 9

- 6 PM TFC Youth Cmte Mtg
- 7 PM TFC Board Mtg



**Friday, May 10**  
**7 PM Grace UCC GAME NIGHT**

## Saturday, May 11



## Sunday, May 12 MOTHER'S DAY

- 9:45 AM Christian Education classes
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 12:00 PM **Mother's/Women's Day Fellowship**
- 5:00 PM Redemption City Church (S)



# Interfaith Peace and Justice Forum

Join us as we explore the relationship of  
Peace and Justice in various religious traditions.

Leaders from Christian, Buddhist, Muslim, Jewish and Hindu traditions  
will present their traditions and understanding of Peace and Justice.  
A roundtable with a time of Question & Answers will follow. *Join us!*

**Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> -- 7-9 PM**

**Grace United Church of Christ**

**25 East 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Frederick, MD 21701**

No tickets are required and all are welcome.  
Light refreshments will be served.



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### March 2019 Treasurer's Report

|                       | March 2019           | 2019 Year-to-Date    |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Income:               | \$ 12,152.88         | \$ 38,784.57         |
| <u>Less Expenses:</u> | <u>-\$ 22,092.75</u> | <u>-\$ 59,316.26</u> |
| Net:                  | (\$ 9,939.97)        | (\$ 20,531.69)       |

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### 2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES AND ELECTRONIC GIVING

Offering envelopes are available in the Narthex for anyone who would like to use envelopes for regular offering. Simply pick up a box and write your name on the sign-up sheet next to the number that you've chosen. **NOTE: Some numbers are already reserved and marked for congregation members.**

#### Two Electronic Giving Options:

- 1) **UCC e-giving (Vanco)** allows you to set-up a regular, recurring donation via automatic electronic draft from your bank account or credit card account. Contact the church office to get an authorization form and get started.
- 2) **PayPal:** Simply click the GIVE button at the bottom of the [www.grucc.com](http://www.grucc.com) home page or GIVE TO GRUCC button at the bottom of weekly enews.

If you decide to participate in our electronic giving programs, you can pick up some "I give electronically" cards to place in the offering plate on Sunday mornings in lieu of an envelope/paper payment.



The Grace Vine Print Newsletter

NEXT ISSUE: June

Article DEADLINE: May 15

**GO GREEN! GO PAPERLESS!** Would you like to get your monthly newsletter by email instead of print? Contact the church office at [admin@grucc.com](mailto:admin@grucc.com).



## *Grace United Church of Christ*

*An Open and Affirming Congregation*

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### SUNDAY WORSHIP

11:00 AM

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

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### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

#### **Sunday, May 5, 2019**

Scripture Reader: Beth Warren

Children's Message: Carol Garrison

Children's Church: Rob Apgar

Altar Guild: Elizabeth Damazo

#### **Sunday, May 12, 2019**

Scripture Reader: Le De Valoes

Children's Message: Pastor Rob

Children's Church: Elizabeth Damazo

Altar Guild: Joan Princler

*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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