

Grace United Church of Christ



Sunday, September 8, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Call to Worship
Sunday, September 8, 2019
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome! It is a pleasure to have you with us this morning.

This morning we will use the New Century Hymnal (NCH)

We Gather

Prelude "Partita on 'Germany'" Jonas Dawson
from Gardiner's Sacred Melodies, arr. Craig A. Penfield (b. 1948)

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

Call of the Engelbrecht Memorial Bell

Introit "Enter His Gates" Grace Choir
Lloyd Larson

*Call to Worship

Leader: We come with praise
for the wonderful works of God.

**People: Even before we speak,
God knows us completely.**

Leader: The Holy One knows us and sustains us,
Even in our moments of confusion and doubt.

**People: Who can count the thoughts of God?
They are more than all the sands of the desert.**

Leader: Like clay in the hand of the potter,
we are shaped into vessels of divine will.

**People: We come with praise
for the wonderful works of God.**

*Opening Hymn

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

NCH # 4

*Opening Prayer

* Passing the Peace

We Listen

Scripture Reading Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 Carol Garrison

Anthem "Make My Life an Alleluia"
Ruth Elaine Schram Grace Choir

*Gospel Luke 14:25-33 Pastor Jessica Townsley

Children's Message

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 "I See You" Pastor Jessica Townsley

We Respond

Prayer of the People

Call for Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Preludium" Jonas Dawson
Francois Dandrieu, arr. John Troutman

*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

*Closing Hymn "Sing Praise to God, Who Has Shaped" NCH # 22

*Choir Benediction "Threefold Amen" Grace Choir

*Closing Benediction

Ringing of the Engelbrecht Memorial Bell

*Postlude "Trumpet March" Jonas Dawson
 Richard Frith

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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 Youth News**

**Friday, September 20**

***The Great Frederick Fair***

**FAIR DAY FRIDAY (Kid's Day)**

The Youth Group will be kicking off the new school year with a day outing to the Great Frederick Fair on Friday, September 20 (Kid's Day).

Please join us (and bring a friend or two)!

Further plans for fall youth events to follow. Stay tuned! All youth grades 6-12 are welcome! We're looking forward to continued growth and engagement in the Grace Youth Group!



Please direct questions to Pastor Jessica at [jessica.townsley@ctsichicago.edu](mailto:jessica.townsley@ctsichicago.edu).

~ Peace, Pastor Jessica

Saturday,  
September 14th

IN THE STREET



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Grace will have a table at

In The Street on

Saturday, September 14th

in Downtown Frederick

Grace is looking for volunteers to man the table again this year... particularly with Kids activities! If you are skilled at Face-Painting or know someone who is, PLEASE let Pastor Rob know! Thanks!

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JOIN GRACE CHURCH AT  
FREDERICK COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY'S (FCAA)  
SOUP KITCHEN TO SERVE DINNER  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 AT 4:45 PM

Volunteers from **Grace Church** 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. Contact Jerry Princler at [jerryprin@comcast.net](mailto:jerryprin@comcast.net) or Trevor Addie at [trevor.grucc@gmail.com](mailto:trevor.grucc@gmail.com) for details.

## FCAA - FOOD BANK

On the third Sunday of every month, we dedicate the "**Grace Groceries**" that have been collected in our little red wagon (in the narthex), and then deliver them to the Frederick Foodbank. *Thank you for your continued generosity!*

## Food Drive



*Grace UCC collected 83 items  
of food for the Food Bank  
in June and July.*

## NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS NEEDED.

FOR EXAMPLE: PEANUT BUTTER

PASTA ~ RICE ~ SPAGHETTI

TOMATO SAUCE ~ CEREAL

CANNED FISH ~ CANNED MEATS



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## 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@crucc.com](mailto:admin@crucc.com)

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| Marj Curran      | 3636 16th Street, NW, B-811, Washington, DC 20010-1167                          |
| Millie Davis     | 801 Pine Ave., Frederick, MD 21701                                              |
| Joe Free         | Citizens Nursing & Rehab Center                                                 |
| Miriam Himes     | Edenton, Orchard Terrace, 5905 Edenton Court, Room #705,<br>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.

Condolences to Millie Davis on the recent death of her son, Richard Kelley.

The funeral was held the week of 19th in Virginia.

# Daily Bible Reading

Luke 18:18-30 OR  
Psalm 101;  
2 Kings 18:19-25; 19:1-7  
Luke 18:18-30

## Thursday, September 12, 2019:

Psalm 14  
Jeremiah 13:20-27  
1 Timothy 1:1-11 OR  
Psalm 51:1-10  
Genesis 6:1-6  
1 Timothy 1:1-11

## Friday, September 13, 2019:

Psalm 14  
Jeremiah 4:1-10  
2 Peter 2:1-10a OR  
Psalm 51:1-10  
Genesis 7:6-10; 8:1-5  
2 Peter 2:1-10a

## Saturday, September 14, 2019:

Psalm 14  
Jeremiah 4:13-21, 29-31;  
John 10:11-21 OR  
Psalm 51:1-10  
Genesis 8:20-9:7  
John 10:11-21

## Sunday, September 15, 2019: Proper 19 (24)

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 and  
Psalm 14  
Exodus 32:7-14 and  
Psalm 51:1-10  
1 Timothy 1:12-17  
Luke 15:1-10



## Sunday, September 8, 2019: Proper 18 (23)

Jeremiah 18:1-11 and  
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18;  
Deuteronomy 30:15-20 and  
Psalm 1;  
Philemon 1:1-21;  
Luke 14:25-33

## Monday, September 9, 2019:

Psalm 2  
Jeremiah 18:12-23  
1 Timothy 3:14-4:5 OR  
Psalm 101  
2 Kings 17:24-41  
1 Timothy 3:14-4:5

## Tuesday, September 10, 2019:

Psalm 2  
Jeremiah 19:1-15  
1 Timothy 4:6-16 OR  
Psalm 101  
2 Kings 18:9-18  
1 Timothy 4:6-16

## Wednesday, September 11, 2019:

Psalm 2  
Jeremiah 20:1-18



# GRACE UCC WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 8

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Faith Formation Sunday

9:45 AM Christian Education classes

11:00 AM Worship

Monday, September 9

Church Office closed (Sarah & Rob are out)

7:00 PM Finance & Property Mtg

Tuesday, September 10

6:30 PM Mankind Project

Wednesday, September 11

6:30 PM TFC Youth Group

Thursday, September 12

6:00 PM TFC Youth Cmte

7:00 PM TFC Board Mtg

Friday, September 13

Church Office closed (Sarah & Rob are out)

1:30 PM Coffee w/ COIPP (GSR)



**Saturday, September 14**

**11AM –5 PM IN THE STREET**

**Grace UCC's will have a table.**

**Come support Grace!**

Sunday, September 15

14th Sunday after Pentecost

9:45 AM Christian Education classes

11:00 AM Worship

## The Grace Vine Print Newsletter / NEXT ISSUE: OCTOBER 2019



**ARTICLE DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 15TH**

**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).



### **WEEKLY Grace Vine E-News**

The Church Office sends out the Grace Vine E-News to members and friends every Friday, sharing upcoming news and events. Please email the church office at [admin@grucc.com](mailto:admin@grucc.com) to add your email address to this distribution list!

### **CHURCH DIRECTORIES**

Do you need an updated copy of our member directory? Please contact the church office an updated copy will provided to you. Due to privacy concerns, we do not publish our directory on the church website.





## *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.

### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

#### **Sunday, September 8, 2019**

Scripture Reader: Carol Garrison

Children's Message: Trish Abell

Children's Church: Elizabeth Damazo

Altar Guild: Elizabeth Damazo

#### **Sunday, September 15, 2019**

Scripture Reader: Rob Apgar

Children's Message: Earl Bartgis

Children's Church: TBD

Altar Guild: Gwen Edwards

*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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OF CHRIST**

