

Grace United Church of Christ



**The Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, October 17th, 2021
Worship Service**

We Gather

10:45am

Pre Live Stream Video Loop

Prelude "Adagio in G Minor", Tomaso Albinoni, arr. Patricia Lou Harris

(During our prelude, please take your seat and enjoy the music as we center ourselves for worship and invite God's presence into our hearts.)

Welcome

Ringing of the Bell

Preparing our Hearts for Worship

*Call to Worship (Psalm 104)

L: Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, you are very great.

P: You are clothed with honor and majesty, wrapped in light as with a garment. You stretch out the heavens like a tent

L: O LORD, how manifold are your works!

P: In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

L: Praise the LORD!

* Opening Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

1 All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall.

Bring forth the royal diadem,

and crown him Lord of all.

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and crown him Lord of all!

2 O chosen seed of Israel's race now ransomed from the fall,

hail him who saves you by his grace,

and crown him Lord of all.

Hail him who saves you by his grace,

and crown him Lord of all!

3 Let every tongue and every tribe responsive to his call,

to him all majesty ascribe,

and crown him Lord of all.

To him all majesty ascribe,

and crown him Lord of all!

4 Oh, that with all the sacred throng we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the everlasting song

and crown him Lord of all.

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*Opening Prayer (St. Ignatius of Loyola)

Teach us, good Lord, to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost; to fight and not to heed the wounds; to toil and not to seek for rest; to labor and not to ask for any reward, except that of knowing that we do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* Passing the Peace

(Let us pass the peace with a Covid-Friendly smile, wave or some other sign of Christ's love)

We Listen

First Reading Hebrews 5: 1-10

Special Music "Meditation", Caleb Simper, arr. Michael Ryan

*Gospel Mark 10:35-45

Children's Message

Sermon

Response Song. Make Me a Servant

Make me a servant, humble and meek.

Lord, let me lift up those who are weak,

And may the prayer of my heart always be:

Make me a servant (x2)

Make me a servant today!

We Respond

Pastoral 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.

Stewardship Moment

Jenna Shoettker

Video Reflection

The Skinny on Tithing

We are Sent

Announcements

*Closing Prayer

Blessing

*Closing Hymn

Here I am Lord

(Please see next page for lyrics)

*Closing Hymn

Here I am Lord

1.I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night
I will make the darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them
Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night
I will go Lord, If you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart.

2.I the Lord of snow and rain

I have borne my people's pain
I have wept for love of them
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone
Fill their hearts with love alone
I will speak my word to them
Whom shall I send?

(Refrain)

Dismissal

Postlude

"Praises!", Dennis Eliot

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### *Grace goes LIVE!*

*Please know that today's service is being live-streamed for those who can not worship with us in person. If you prefer NOT to be in the live stream video, please sit in pews behind the center pillars.*

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The children's moment will be on camera as well.

If you would like your child NOT to be on camera, please speak to our AV team or an usher.

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*(Note: Communion and the offering will NOT be live-streamed for privacy reasons.)*

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Today's Special Music was brought to you by

Our Quartet Performers!

We appreciate you!

GRACE UCC STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

Rooted in *Love*

Our Stewardship theme of "Rooted in Love" draws inspiration from Psalm 1, "They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season." The Psalmist invited us to imagine all the good things we can bear when well planted. What might we give away when rooted in love?

But the Psalmist also meant something deeper. The word we translate as "planted" in English means "transplanted" in Hebrew. This translation speaks to the power of love to move us from one place to another, the power to convert us from one way of life to another. What would need to change in our lives for us to be fully rooted in love?

We might need to make a move from a "mindset of scarcity" to a "mindset of abundance." A scarcity mindset makes us think there will never be enough - we must compete, one against another, because there is not enough to go around. Scarcity thinking names all the things we cannot do, all the things we cannot share. But a mindset of abundance sees the fullness of God's love. Martin Luther King Jr. saw the world abundantly - despite all the injustice he confronted, King knew God's spirit moved through history, creating and renewing community.

King once described the force of love that animated the Civil Rights Movement. "Agape is not a weak, passive love. It is love in action. Agape is love seeking to preserve and create community. It is insistence on community even when one seeks to break it. Agape is a willingness to go to any length to restore broken community."

What would it mean for our lives to be rooted in such love?



Grace UCC Updates

THIS WEEK AT GRACE:



Sunday 10/17: 11:00 AM - Worship Service

Wednesday 10/20: 7:00 PM - Grace Book Club
(zoom)

Sunday 10/24: 11:00 AM - Worship Service

Neil Berg's 50 Years of Rock n' Roll 2

October 22nd, 2021 | 8:00PM—10:00PM | Admission ranges \$27.50 — \$37.50

The Weinberg Center for the Arts | 20 West Patrick St., Frederick, MD 21701

With a cast consisting of both stars from Broadway's greatest rock musicals, as well as incredible Rock & Roll singers, Neil Berg shares the often unknown stories from the fifty-year history of the music that changed the world forever!

From the progenitors of Rock and Roll in the 1940s, through the glory years of the '50s, '60s, and '70s, up until MTV in the early '80s, Neil Berg's 50 Years of Rock & Roll uses fascinating stories and groundbreaking music, with tributes to such important and iconic rock stars/groups/genres as Chuck Berry, Little Richard, Elvis Presley, Ray Charles, Buddy Holly, Bob Dylan, Frankie Valli, The Beatles, Beach Boys, Motown, Aretha Franklin, The Who, Janis Joplin, Woodstock, Simon & Garfunkel, Carole King, Led Zeppelin, Elton John, Stevie Wonder, Billy Joel, Aerosmith, Linda Ronstadt, Bruce Springsteen, Eagles, Fleetwood Mac, Disco, New Wave, Journey, and others!



For Ticketing information click here:

<https://weinbergcenter.org/shows/neil-bergs-50-years-of-rock-n-roll-2/>

Grace UCC (Virtual) Book Club

Every Wednesday at 7:00pm

Join us if you'd like to socialize, stretch your mind, or just leave the daily grind of life behind for a bit!



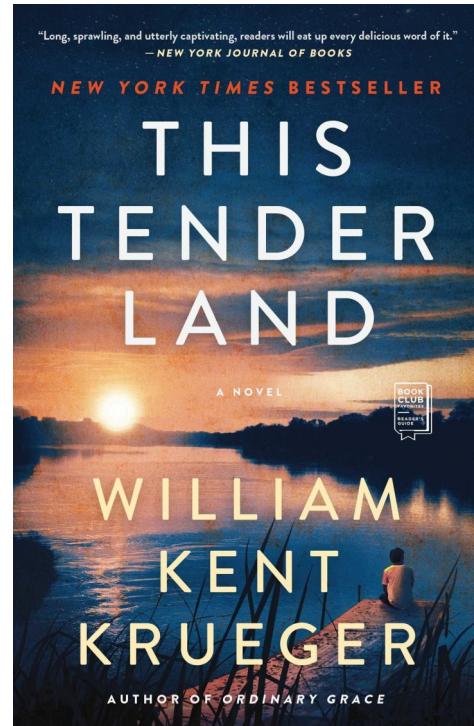
Message from Missy Moxley:

We selected *This Tender Land* by William Kent Krueger as our next book. We will be reading up to page 87 in paperback or up to but not including Chapter 12 for next Wednesday! Join us every Wednesday for Book Club!

In the summer of 1932, on the banks of Minnesota's Gilead River, the Lincoln Indian Training School is a pitiless place where Native American children, forcibly separated from their parents, are sent to be educated. It is also home to Odie O'Banion, a lively orphan boy whose exploits constantly earn him the superintendent's wrath. Odie and his brother, Albert, are the only white faces among the hundreds of Native American children at the school.

After committing a terrible crime, Odie and Albert are forced to flee for their lives along with their best friend, Mose, a mute young man of Sioux heritage. Out of pity, they also take with them a brokenhearted little girl named Emmy. Together, they steal away in a canoe, heading for the mighty Mississippi in search for a place to call home.

Over the course of one unforgettable summer, these four orphan vagabonds journey into the unknown, crossing paths with others who are adrift, from struggling farmers and traveling faith healers to displaced families and lost souls of all kinds. With the feel of a modern classic, *This Tender Land* is an en-thralling, bighearted epic that shows how the magnificent American landscape connects us all, haunts our dreams, and makes us whole.



Below is the recurring Zoom link which is also on our church website, grucc.com, and Facebook page.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89654486377?pwd=T1VGSSWh2NFVkRHhVVFk1cm1BUUpZz09>

Questions? Contact Missy Moxley at: nehoneybee@gmail.com or Doris Moxley at: Dorismoxley@gmail.com. Please Email the church office at admin@grucc.com to be added to the list for email notices.

Grace UCC Events

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Frederick Ski & Snowboard Swap

October 15th—17th, 2021 | 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Frederick Fairgrounds, Building 14
797 E. Patrick St, Frederick, MD 21701



Get ready for winter! Snow rider shoppers and consignors the Frederick Ski Swap is back! Shoppers get free admission, wear your masks and use our sanitizing stations. Wear socks if shopping for boots, wear shorts/leggings/tights if shopping for ski pants. Accepting cash, Visa & MasterCard (3% service charge for using credit card). Friday, October 15, 4PM-7PM offering early shopping just for clothing items (equipment will not be for sale or viewing on Friday) Saturday, October 16th & Sunday, October 17th everything is for sale. Saturday 9AM-2PM, Sunday 9AM-12PM. Consignors 20% commission on sold items. Check website for instructions on how to make your sale tags at home and drop-off times and pickup time.



Annual Drive Through Trick-or-Treat!

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Join us **October 25th at 4:00PM - 8:00PM** for the Drive through Trick or Treat at the Frederick Fairgrounds! Support the community and show us your best costumes



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An Open and Affirming Congregation

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SUNDAY WORSHIP – 11:00 AM — Virtual

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Liturgist: John Brehmer

Children's Message: Pastor Rob

Children's Church: N/A

Altar Guild: N/A

*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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