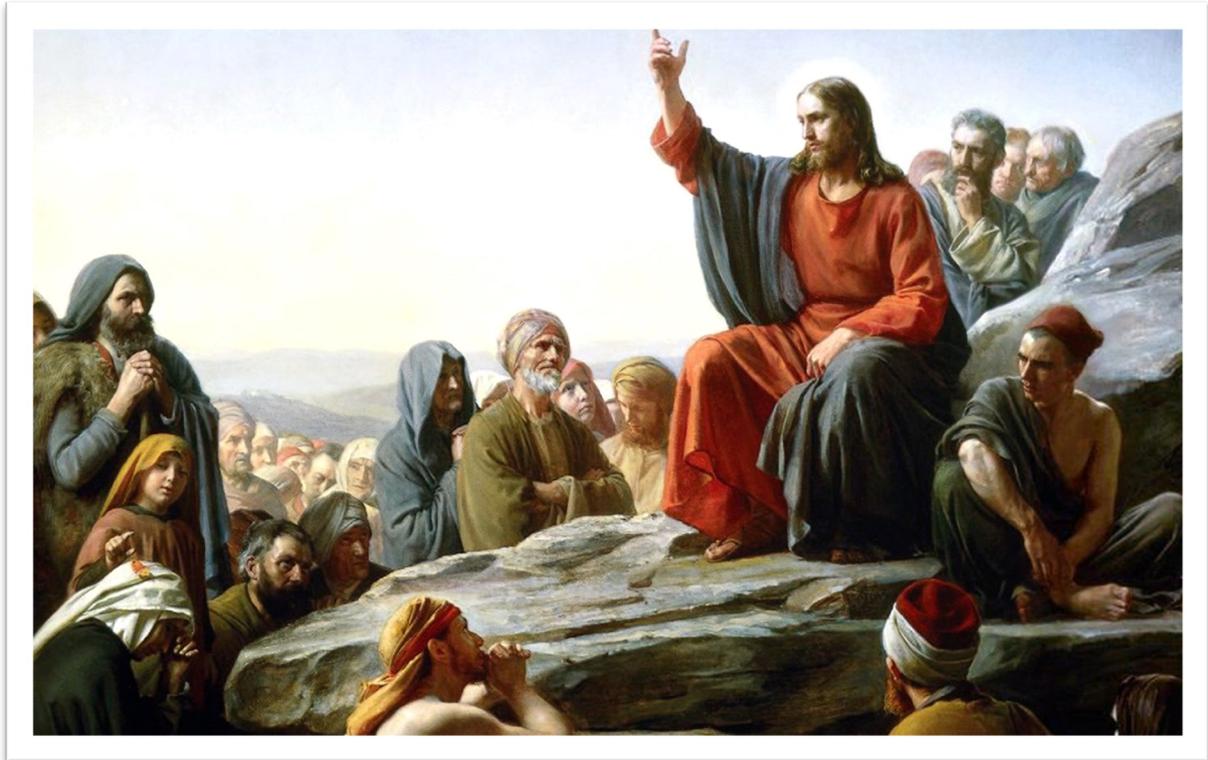


Grace United Church of Christ



The Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, October 24th, 2021
Worship Service

We Gather

10:45am

Pre Live Stream Video Loop

Prelude "Ready", Charles Davis Tillman, arr. James Pethel

(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

Ringling of the Bell

Preparing our Hearts for Worship

*Call to Worship (based on Psalm 34)

L: O taste and see that the LORD is good,

P: Let us exalt God's name together.

L: I will bless the LORD at all times

P: God's praise shall always be in my mouth.

L: Look to the LORD, and be radiant;

P: For God's light shines brightly in the darkness.

L: O magnify the LORD with me,

P: Come, let us worship God.

* Opening Hymn Welcome # 3152 (W&S)

Verse 1:

Lets walk together for a while
And ask where we begin to build a world where
Love can grow and hope can enter in,
to be the hands of healing and to
Plant the seed of peace, singing welcome,

Refrain:

Welcome, welcome to this place.
Your invited to come and know gods grace.
All are welcome the love of god to share
Cause all of us are welcome here;
All are welcome in this place.

Verse 2:

Lets talk together of a time when
We will share a feast, where pride and power
Kneel to serve the lonely and the least,
And joy will set the table as we
Join our hands to pray, singing welcome,

Verse 3:

Let's dream together of the day
When earth and heaven are one,
A city built of love and light, the new Jerusalem,
Where our morning turns to dancing,
Every creature lifts its voice, crying welcome,

*Opening Prayer (unison)

As on the first day you began the work of creating us;

As on a first day you raised your Son from the dead;

So on this first day, Good Lord, freshen and remake us.

And as the week is new, let our lives begin again

**because of Jesus who shows us what it means to live and love like
you. 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

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Video

Are you a Laborer?

Special Music

"Elegy", Edward Landin

Gospel

Mark 10:46-52

Children's Message

Sermon

Response Song

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

Deacon Kim Hintzman

We are Sent

Announcements

Closing Prayer

Blessing

Closing Hymn

Be Now My Vision #451

(See Next Page for Lyrics)

Closing Hymn

Be Now My Vision #451

1 Be now my vision, O God of my heart;
nothing surpasses the love you impart
You my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, your presence my light.

2 Be now my wisdom, be by my true word;
ever with me, my soul is assured;
Mother and Father, you are both o me,
Now and forever your child I will be.

3 Riches I need not, nor life's empty praise,
You my inheritance, now and always;
You and you only are first in my heart,
Great God, my treasure, may we never part.

Sovereign of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joy, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, what ever be fall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Dismissal

Postlude "Sing to the Lord", Robert Sterling, arr. Mark Hayes

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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!

Today we welcome Deacon Kim Hintzman as our celebrant and preacher. Kim is a Deacon at Evangelical Lutheran Church and is a dear friend of pastor Rob.

Welcome Kim!

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 10/24: 11:00 AM - Worship Service

Monday 10/25: 4:00PM - Drive Through Trunk-or-Treat

Tuesday 10/26: 7:00PM - Grace Church Council Meeting

Wednesday 10/27: 7:00 PM - Grace Book Club (zoom)

Sunday 10/31: 11:00 AM - Worship Service

Happy Halloween 🎃

Fall for Vintage

October 23rd - 24th, 2021 | 10:00AM—5:00PM | Admission \$7.00—\$10.00

797 E. Patrick Street, Buildings 13, 14, & 14A, Frederick, MD 21701

Vintage Vibe Markets, an organizer of vintage, reproduced, and handcrafted art fairs, has announced an upcoming event at the Frederick Fairgrounds in Frederick, Maryland on October 23 & 24, 2021 from 10 – 5 PM.

Just one of four events promoted by Vintage Vibe Markets each year, Vintage Vibe Markets is bringing more than 60 vendors to Frederick Fairgrounds. The event will offer attendees a combination of vintage home décor, vintage based jewelry & clothing, handcrafted, farmhouse, and upcycled items. Featuring a wine sampling from local Links Bridge Winery, the market will allow attendees to relax and enjoy the atmosphere while shopping. “Our markets are a blend of the past and the present,” remarked Dolores Fawkes, Founder, and Director of Vintage Vibe Markets. “At each of our quarterly markets, find vintage items from your childhood and bring them into your home, or find new, crafty ways to repurpose and renew old household items.”



Tickets for the two-day event are available in advance through the website for \$7. Same-day ticket purchases will be available for \$10. Tickets are valid for both days of the event. To purchase tickets for this event, or to learn more about Vintage Vibe Markets, please visit VintageVibeMarkets.com.

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!

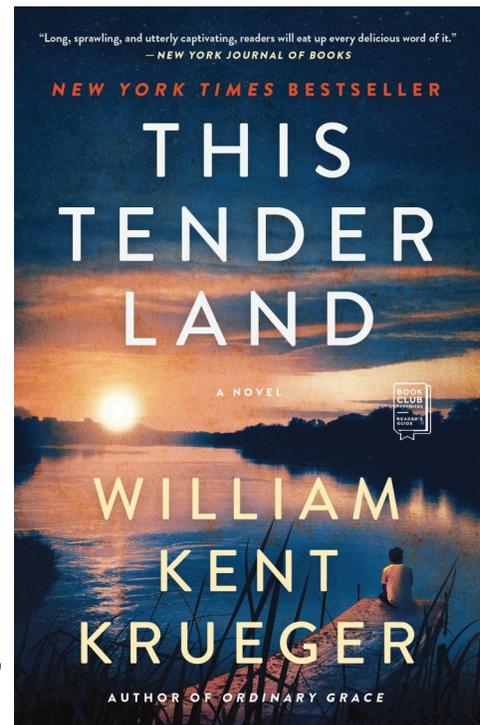
Message from Missy Moxley:

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=T1VGSWh2NFVkrRHhVVFk1cm1BUUppZz09>

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

Annual Drive Through Trick-or-Treat!

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! Enter our Spook-0-Raffle for a chance to win a Gift a \$50.00 Gift Card to Magoo's!



FREDERICK FAIRGROUNDS | 797 E. Patrick Street, Frederick, MD 21701

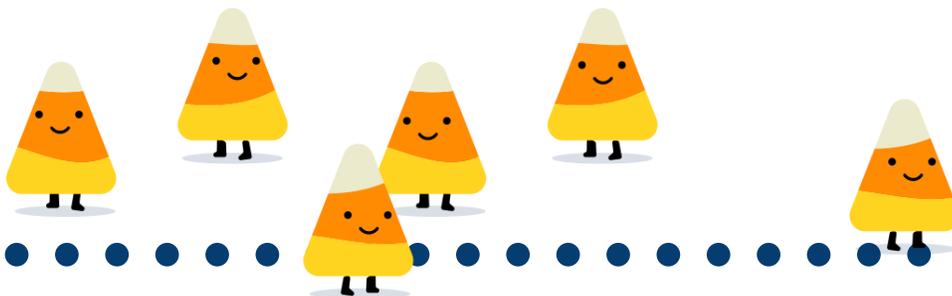
Halloween in Downtown Frederick



October 30th, 2021 | 10:00 AM – 12:00

Halloween in Downtown Frederick is great for families and kids of all ages! Costumes are encouraged, though not required. Trick-or-treat at all your favorite downtown businesses (while supplies last) and enjoy some “ghoulish fun” with kid-friendly activities.

More info at downtownfrederick.org/halloween.



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SUNDAY WORSHIP – 11:00 AM — Virtual

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Liturgist: Carol Garrison

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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