

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 29, 2018

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Good morning! We wish God's grace and peace to you as we worship this morning. During the welcome, please sign the registration pads. If you are a first time visitor, we welcome you this morning and pray you have a meaningful worship time with us. (CCLI 1765953)

WORSHIP THE LORD IN THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS

Ministers – The Congregation
Pastor – Mark Chow

GATHERING FOR CELEBRATION

GATHERING MUSIC

Tony Merry
Pastor Chow

GREETING

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

PRELUDE

“Voluntary on Eventide”

R. Lind

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CELEBRATION THROUGH PRAISE

*OPENING SONG 384 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

*OPENING PRAYER — *Breakthrough Prayer*

Coty Brown

God of Miracles, We praise your Holy name and thank you for loving us!

Awaken Grace Church to your calling....

Unleash your power within us....

Break through our hearts and minds....so we will be open to your God-sized plans.

Let your light shine through us, so we may be an example of your love to others!

In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM

“Christ Be Beside Me”
Grace Chancel Choir

P. Cutts

CELEBRATION THROUGH PRAYER

CALL TO PRAYER 700

“Abide with Me” [vs. 1]

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CELEBRATION THROUGH OUR GIFTS

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OUR TITHES TO GOD

OFFERTORY

“Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven”

J. Barr

*DOXOLOGY 94

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia!

Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*BLESSING OF THE OFFERING

*HYMN OF PREPARATION 397 “I Need Thee Every Hour”

CELEBRATION THROUGH GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

John 15:1-8

Coty Brown

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Pastor Mark Chow

BREAKTHROUGHS: CONNECTIONS

CHRISTIAN WITNESS

Sarah Burris

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Sarah Burris

GOING FORTH TO CELEBRATE

*CLOSING SONG 558

“We Are the Church” [vs. 1, 2, 4]

*SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 585

“This Little Light of Mine” [vs. 1]

POSTLUDE

“In Thee Is Gladness”

G. W. Cassler

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are from the Memorial Service for Joe McBride.

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY — Sunday School – 19

Worship – 30, 74

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

April 29 Reece Jones, Tricia Sidwell, Chris Thompson

April 30 Amelia Lepi, Emily Richards

May 1 Nancy Chow

May 3 Lauren Neff

May 4 Avery Dunn, Shirley McCollister, Mary Obenour, Heidi Newman

May 5 Helen Tompkins

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, April 29		
Monday, April 30	6:30 p.m.	Grief Share – Parlor
Tuesday, May 1	7:00 p.m.	Yoga – Third Floor
Wednesday, May 2	11:30 a.m.	OWLS – Fellowship Hall
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir
Thursday, May 3	7:00 p.m.	National Day of Prayer – New Hope Full Gospel Church – 3550 East Pike
Friday, May 4	6:30 a.m.	Bible Study – Parlor
	12:00 p.m.	May Fellowship Day – Coburn UMC
Saturday, May 5		
Sunday, May 6	8:15 a.m.	Early Service – Fellowship Hall
	9:00-10:15	Fellowship Time – Fellowship Hall
	9:15-10:15	Sunday School – all ages
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service

VISION STATEMENT for Grace Church

GRACE WILL Gather to worship God — Grow spiritually — Go serve and make disciples

Thanks to Our Worship Leaders this Morning:

Hospitality Team – Dana & Cindi Swope, Mary Ruth Mock

Elevator Attendant – Diane Marks

Organist/Choir Director – Tony Merry

Lay Leader – Cindy Lawyer

Liturgist – Coty Brown

Children's Moment – Sarah Burris

Children's Ministry – Julie McAllister, Cindy Lawyer, Sarah Burris

Sound Technician – Craig Hill

Breakthrough Prayer Team – Christy Swope, Joyce Cooper, Mary Mason, Cindi Swope, Sarah Burris, Cindy Lawyer, Janet Hill, Pastor Mark

THURSDAY – May 3 – 7:00 p.m. — National Day of Prayer — New Hope Full Gospel Church — 3550 East Pike. This is a time to come together and pray to a mighty God to intervene for our city, our county, our state, and our nation.



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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - "BREAKTHROUGHS"

“Real spiritual breakthroughs are not achieved at all without prayer. Concentrated, specific, persistent, prevailing prayer, often engaged in by two or more [Matthew 18:19], is needed to weaken our spiritual opposition.” (Jon Bloom, *Desiring God*)

Apart from God, we can do nothing. We need to stay connected to God and each other in order to break through our daily challenges.

8:15 a.m. Worship Celebration

Thank you to Joyce Cooper and the Praise Team for leading us in worship.

Gathering for Celebration

Celebration Through Praise

Celebration Through Prayer

Celebration Through Our Gifts

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Celebration Through God's Word

Scripture – John 15:1-8 — Coty Brown

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Message – *Breakthroughs: Connections* — Pastor Mark Chow

Christian Witness — Sarah Burris

Going Forth to Celebrate

