

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 25, 2018

Second Sunday in Lent

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

Joyce Cooper

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Mark

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

\*OPENING HYMN 127 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Christy Swope

*(Children will go downstairs for KidsOwnWorship)*

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"The Executant"

R. M. Endresen

*Peyton Cassel – Trumpet; Marcie Butterfield – Piano*

#### CELEBRATION THROUGH GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE

Mark 8:31-38

Coty Brown

The Word of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Pastor Mark Chow

#### INTERVENTION

LIVING THE CALL — Acknowledge Our Need for Intervention

*(You are invited to write down or draw something that represents where you need God or others to intervene so you will follow where Jesus leads, not where you want to go.)*

RESPONSE 500 "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Cindy Lawyer / Coty Brown

We are in the wilderness. We have lost our way. We cannot fix ourselves. We need God's intervention in our lives. And so do many others.

And so we pray:

**Come quickly to help us, O God.**

Because people are still kept in poverty or slavery, some are in fear from abusers, terrorists, and oppressors, some face addiction, and some are targeted for unjust treatment because of who they are;

**Come quickly to help us, O God.**

Because we need courage and integrity from leaders in religious, political, economic, and social life; because we love and sometimes struggle with our families, friends, and neighbors; and because the lives of those who sustain and protect our lives as military, civilian workers, and first responders are full of challenge and conflict.

**Come quickly to help us, O God.**

Because there are people who need your healing power, and some who offer healing through their skill and presence; because some have harmed us and we have harmed others by our action or inaction;

*Silence*

And so we pray:

**Come quickly to help us, O God.**

Receive the prayers of your people, most merciful God. In your compassion, forgive our sins, and intervene to free us for joyful obedience through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Silence*

In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

**In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.**

**Glory to God! Amen!**

#### CELEBRATION THROUGH OUR GIFTS

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OUR TITHES TO GOD

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*BLESSING OF THE OFFERING

Cindy Lawyer

#### GOING FORTH TO CELEBRATE

\*HYMN 415

"Take Up Thy Cross"

\*SENDING FORTH

Church, we often get it just plain wrong, turned inside out, mistaking evil for good, our comfort for God's will. We need some serious intervention and then some rehab. And today, right here, God has started and continued that work in you. Jesus is in you. The God of angel armies surrounds you. The Spirit is moving among us and driving us out of here to continue in and through each of us what the Spirit has gotten started. Go in peace and with the intervening power of our Triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY** are given by the Merrys in honor of Margaret's mother, Patricia Gizzi, on her 86th birthday.

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY -- Sunday School – 18

Worship – 26, 81

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

February 25 Leigh Ann Lewis, Libby Short  
February 26 Debbie O'Neal  
February 27 Morgan Hines, Bryan Melsheimer  
February 29 Cole Graham, Tom Peters  
March 1 Michael Beach, Elden Hudson, Katie Graham, Kylee Lasure, Linda Swan

### THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, February 25	6:00 p.m.	Lenten Service – Grace
Monday, February 26	6:30 p.m.	Grief Share – Parlor
Tuesday, February 27	7:00 p.m.	Yoga
Wednesday, February 28	5:30 p.m.	Soup Night – Fellowship Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Bell Choir
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir
Thursday, March 1	6:30 p.m.	Women's Book Study – Classroom
Friday, March 2	6:30 a.m.	Bible Study – Parlor
	1:00 p.m.	World Day of Prayer – Coburn U M Church
Saturday, March 3		
Sunday, March 4	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
	6:00 p.m.	Lenten Service – Central Trinity UMC

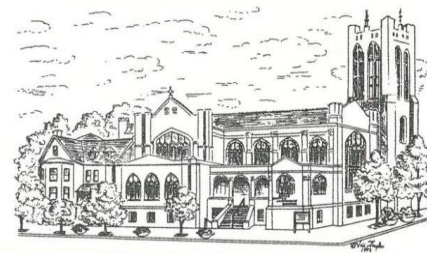
### VISION STATEMENT for Grace Church

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

### FOOD DRIVE [through 2/18/18] — \$5,285

#### Thanks to Our Worship Leaders this morning –

Hospitality Team – Dana & Cindi Swope, Maryanna Fenton, Jaynellen Sharp  
Elevator Attendants – Doug & Carla Waltman  
Pianist / Worship Leader – Joyce Cooper  
Liturgist – Coty Brown  
Lay Leader – Cindy Lawyer  
Children's Ministry Workers – Julie McAllister, Cindy Lawyer, Sarah Burris  
Sound Technician – Craig Hill



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### ***Second Sunday in Lent: Rehab***

Rehab may refer to different things. In general, the word *rehabilitate* means *to restore to good condition*. In a similar way, Lent is a time for us to examine ourselves, as we seek restoration for our lives. Last week, we began the Lenten journey by acknowledging that we are entering the wilderness and facing trials and tests. This morning, we begin to recognize our need for intervention and help.

#### **Coming Soon —**

**TONIGHT – Sunday, February 25 – 6:00 p.m. – Grace UMC** will **HOST** the Community Lenten Service. Worship will be led by Rev. Joy Wigal and Rev. Emory Clark.

**NEXT Sunday – March 4 – 6:00 p.m. –** Community Lenten Service at Central Trinity UMC (S. 7th St.) Foothills District Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Dennis Miller, will be preaching.

**Grief Share** is a seminar and support group at Grace Church for people who are grieving the death of someone close to them. The next Grief Share series begins TOMORROW [Mon., February 26] at 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor. It is open to anyone in the community. For more information and/or to register, please contact the church office (740-452-9317).

**JOIN US FOR SOUP NIGHT** – Wednesday, **February 28** – 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. – Fellowship Hall  
Bring your favorite soup to share! Bring a copy of the recipe so others may make and enjoy later!  
Grilled cheese, crackers, drinks, table service provided.