

ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 3, 2019

Eighth Sunday after Epiphany

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

WORSHIP CHIMES

GREETING

Pastor Mark

BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER

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.

PRELUDE "Communion in E Minor"

A. Guilmant

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Halle Randles

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The Risen Christ is with us.

Praise the Lord!

CELEBRATION THROUGH PRAISE

*HYMN OF PRAISE 64 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

*OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your Holy Name, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Sarah Burriss

CELEBRATION THROUGH GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE

Luke 9:28-43

Halle Randles

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Pastor Mark Chow

SHINE THE LIGHT

CELEBRATION THROUGH OUR GIFTS

INVITATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We want to go to the mountain top with you, Jesus. But we are too burdened to climb that road. We keep score. Whether we claim victory or loss, enemies are made. Remove from us the splinters in our own eyes. Remove from us the harsh words we are planning to say. Strip us clean from every ounce of pride that finds joy in the sorrow of another. When our burden is laid down, place our gaze upon the light that pierces the darkness. Free us to be the creatures made in the image of God. Free us to honor one another. Free us to know you in the breaking of the bread, and to know one another in the forgiveness we give and receive. We pray in your Holy Name. [silence]

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

OFFERING OURSELVES, OUR PRAYERS AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

ANTHEM

"Come Share This Feast of Love"

L. Larson

Grace Chancel Choir

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

[Communion servers will bring the elements to you.

Once we have received each of the elements, we will commune together.]

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOING FORTH TO CELEBRATE

*HYMN 383 "This Is a Day of New Beginnings"

*SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

"Fugue in D Major"

S. Wesley

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ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY -- Sunday School – 15

Worship – 24, 59

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

March 5 Elizabeth Diosi, Julie Sands, Paula West, Stephanie Zullo

March 7 Jan Elston, Mellissa Kanavel, Cyndi Vincent

March 8 Tom Robson

March 9 Alexandria Mock, Jessica Stonecypher, Jack Thorne

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, March 3		
Monday, March 4	6:30 p.m.	Grief Share – Parlor
Tuesday, March 5	6:00 p.m.	Outreach Comm. – Classroom
Wednesday, March 6	11:30 a.m.	OWLS – Fellowship Hall
	NO	Bell Choir
	7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service – Coburn UMC
	NO	Chancel Choir
Thursday, March 7	6:00 p.m.	Women's Book Study – Classroom
Friday, March 8	6:30 a.m.	Bible Study – Parlor
Saturday, March 9		
Sunday, March 10	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

Grief Share is a seminar and support group at Grace Church for people who are grieving the death of someone close to them. The Grief Share series meets on Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor. This is a 13-week series; however, each week is independent so you may come any week and not be missing information. It is open to anyone in the community. For more information, please contact the church office (740-452-9317).

FOOD DRIVE — Total received through 2/27 = \$6,460

Wednesday, March 6 — 7:00 p.m. — You are invited to be a part of a Community Ash Wednesday Service to take place at Coburn UMC [3618 Maple Ave.] — Pastor Mark Chow will be preaching. Scripture — Joel 2:1-2, 12-17; II Corinthians 5:20-6:10; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21.



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Transfiguration Sunday

Today is the Eighth Sunday after the Epiphany.

This morning we hear a story about the glory of God reflected in Jesus, and we are challenged to reflect Christ's light as we minister to those around us.

8:15 a.m. Worship Celebration

Thank you to Joyce Cooper and our praise team for leading us in worship.

Gathering for Celebration

Celebration Through Praise

Breakthrough Prayer

Celebration Through God's Word

Scripture – Luke 9:28-43

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Message – *Shine the Light* — Pastor Mark Chow

Celebration Through Our Gifts

Invitation, Confession and Pardon

Offering Ourselves, Our Prayers and Our Gifts to God

Offertory

Sacrament of Holy Communion (served seated)

Going Forth to Celebrate

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME begins NEXT Sunday — March 10 — move clocks ahead one hour.