

ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 21, 2017

Sixth 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

GREETING

Pastor Mark

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

PRELUDE

“Andante religioso”

F. Mendelssohn

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Cassie Burris

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.

And kindle in them the fire of your love.

Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.

And you will renew the face of the earth.

CELEBRATION THROUGH PRAISE

*OPENING HYMN 384

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

*OPENING PRAYER

Cassie Burris

Dear God, linking love with obedience is not the thing we do best.

We confess to preferring a teary-eyed sentimental love that makes no demands, requires no allegiance. But, here you are again, calling us to love and obedience; calling us to a different kind of love – love that does (or doesn't do), love that demonstrates itself in style of life, thoughts, emotions, or actions. Lead us into this kind of love, we pray, so that the world might know that we are your disciples. Amen.

ANTHEM

“Come, Let Us Join With Faithful Ones”

arr. E. Coggin

Grace Chancel Choir

(As the children come forward and depart the sanctuary, the congregation may sing “Lord of the Dance” - 261 - refrain)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Christy Swope

(Children will go downstairs for KidsOwnWorship)

CALL TO PRAYER 393

“Spirit of the Living God”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Almighty God, you have raised up servants to proclaim the gift of redemption and a life of holiness.

For our spiritual forebears, Susanna, John and Charles Wesley; Barbara Heck, Jacob Albright, Philip William Otterbein, and Martin Boehm, inspired by your Spirit, we give thanks. In their ministry, through their difficulties, and in spite of their weaknesses, you were their hope and their salvation.

You led them and their followers to create the heritage that is ours.

We praise you for the women and men, young and old, who followed them, who gave themselves unselfishly for the welfare of the Church, whose commitment and vision encouraged and supported the Church. Their talents, enthusiasm, idealism, and dedication infused the Church with energy.

Their outstanding gifts and witness shaped our thought and life. We praise you for these countless members of your Church, whose names we now remember. . .

(Silence is kept to remember the names of saints)

And we give you thanks for the place of our rich tradition among the churches which comprise the Body of Christ.

With all your people, throughout creation, give us a new vision, new love, new wisdom, and fresh understanding, that we may serve you more fully; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

RESPONSE 393

“Spirit of the Living God”

CELEBRATION THROUGH GOD'S WORD

GOSPEL LESSON

John 14:15-21

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Pastor Mark Chow

A DIFFERENT KIND OF LOVE

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

CELEBRATION THROUGH OUR GIFTS

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

“Trumpet Piece”

J. Alcock

*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

GOING FORTH TO CELEBRATE

*CLOSING HYMN 89

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 678

“God Be With Till We Meet Again” [vs. 1]

POSTLUDE

“Fugue in D Major”

S. Wesley

THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given in honor of the youth of the church.

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY -- Sunday School – 12 Worship – 30, 79

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

May 21 Clare Moore
May 23 Jason Marks, Noah Vincent
May 24 Jim Brown
May 26 Lacey Oldfield, Hannah Dunn, Mark Luburgh, Andrew Stewart
May 27 Susan Beam, Emmy Meaige

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, May 21	11:30 a.m.	Reception for Graduates – Historical Room
	3:00 p.m.	Recital by Renee Show and Betty Lou Wilson – Sanctuary
Monday, May 22	6:30 p.m.	Grief Share – Parlor
Tuesday, May 23		
Wednesday, May 24	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir
Thursday, May 25		
Friday, May 26	6:30 a.m.	Bible Study – Parlor
Saturday, May 27		
Sunday, May 28	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

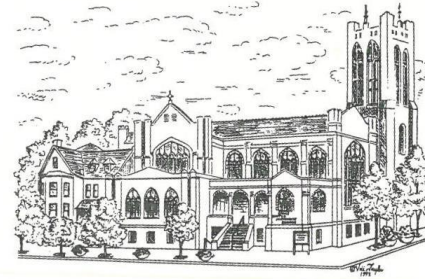
GRACE WILL Gather to worship God — Grow spiritually — Go serve and make disciples

NEXT SUNDAY, May 28 – Memorial Day Weekend

Coming Soon!

Sunday, June 4 – Two By Two will lead us in worship

Sunday, June 11 – Music Sunday / Holy Communion



**GRACE UNITED
METHODIST
CHURCH**

516 Shinnick St.
Zanesville, OH 43701
(740) 452-9317
<https://graceumcz.org/>
graceumc516@sbcglobal.net

May 21, 2017

Heritage Sunday / Graduate Recognition

Today is the sixth Sunday in the Season of Eastertide. Today we remember our spiritual fathers and mothers who, through their difficulties and weaknesses, depended fully upon the Spirit of God in their mission and ministry. We also recognize our students on the completion of their studies and who are moving on to the next chapter. As Jesus' followers, we are called to love each other as Jesus loves.

8:15 a.m. Worship Celebration

We welcome Joyce Cooper and our Praise Team for leading the music.

Gathering for Celebration

Celebration Through Praise

Prayers of the People / The Lord's Prayer

Celebration Through God's Word

Scripture – John 14:15-21

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Message – *A Different Kind of Love* — Pastor Mark Chow

Celebration Through Our Gifts

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Going Forth to Celebrate

Sending Music

* * * * *

TODAY – Following the 10:30 service, there will be a time of fellowship for the graduates to take place in the Historical Room.

TODAY – 3:00 p.m. – Recital with Renee Show [viola] and Betty Lou Wilson [piano] will be in the sanctuary.