

Order of Worship
January 13, 2019
Grace Church of Columbiana
Rev. Dr. Robert C. Joy, Pastor

Mrs. Judy Bott, Organist

Mr. Harry Hofmeister, Music Director

*Indicates an invitation to stand. If you are more comfortable being seated, please do so.

Welcome to Grace Church! We are glad you have joined us today to worship God!

If you would like to receive our newsletter, *Grace Notes*, or receive email updates from the church, please record your name and address and/or email address. If you have a prayer request, please write it on the 3 x 5 card provided and place it face down in the silver prayer offering plate. They will be read by the minister at prayer time. Out of respect for God and consideration for your neighbor, please take a moment and turn your cellphone or electronic device completely off.

The Gathering of God's People

Prelude

The Ringing of the Bell *(The bell has been used by Grace Church for many years as a means of calling all God's people to worship.)*

Welcome and Announcements

We Worship the Lord in Spirit and in Truth

*Call to Worship: Psalm 34:8

Leader: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

People: Happy are those who find refuge in God.

*Praise Hymn: #20

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Prayer of Praise and the Lord's Prayer

Almighty God, we pray for your blessing on the church in this place. Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened. Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged. Here may the tempted find help, and the sorrowful comfort. Here may the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed. Here may the aged find consolation, and the young be inspired; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray, 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #807

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

A Time for Young Christians

We Join Together in Prayer

Sharing Our Concerns and Praises

Prayers of the People

Honoring God with Our Giving

Call to Giving

Offertory

*Doxology: #808

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.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Hearing of the Word

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 43:1-7

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Choral Anthem:

Whispered Prayers

*Gospel Reading:

Luke 3:15-22

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Sermon:

God is on the Move

Reaffirmation of Our Baptism (participants to read **bold**)

Scripture:

Leader: You are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God. (Ephesians 2:19-22)

People: We are what God has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life. (Ephesians 2:10)

Leader: You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts on the One who called you out of darkness into God's marvelous light. (1 Peter 2:9)

Profession of Faith:

Leader: trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world, which seeks to hurt and divide us?

People: I do.

Leader: Who is your Lord and Savior?

People: Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

Leader: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?

People: I will, with God's help.

Leader: You have publicly professed your faith. Will you walk, or continue to walk, with this congregation, and share in its worship and ministry through your prayers and gifts, your study and service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Prayer:

Leader: Gracious God, by water and the Spirit you claimed us as your own, cleansing us from sin, and giving us new life. You made us members of your body, the church, calling us to be your servants in the world. Renew in us the covenant you made in our baptisms. Continue the good work you have begun in us. Send us forth in the power of the Spirit to love and serve you with joy, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We Are Sent Out to Do God's Will

*Hymn: #758

Baptized in Water

*Benediction (posted on Third Space. <http://third-space.org.uk/>)

May the blessing of the three-in-one God be yours.

May the Spirit bless you with hope poured out like water and flowing as the river.

May Jesus bless you with discomfort at injustice and oppression.

May the Creator who holds the Earth as an artist holds brush and palette

fill your imagination so that you always find the world inspiring and wonderful.

May God journey with you, and say to you:

“You are my beloved, Be blessed this day and always.”

*Postlude

Announcements

There are still a few 2019 Offering Envelopes that haven't been picked up yet. Please check in the dining room.

MyEoffering is a service we've teamed up with to give you the ability to send your offerings online in the same way that many of you already pay bills and purchase products. We chose to use myEoffering because they are part of a trusted, Christian family-owned company, who have been serving the needs of churches for nearly 100 years. To sign up, go to our church web site, gracechurchcolumbiana.com, and look for the green computer mouse icon. That will then lead you to the myEoffering page for our church, and will direct you on how to sign-up.

Pastor's Note: Don't leave without being a blessing to someone else. Please join us for coffee hour in fellowship hall. You may join a table or stand and mingle!

Also: Sermon copies are usually available on the prayer request table by the door. Past weeks' sermons are on the larger table by the door. Take a copy as you come in or as you leave, or to a friend!

Coming Up:

Monday, January 14, 7:00 p.m., GRO

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Bell Choir practice

Remember in Prayer: Georgette Keylor, Nathan Daprile, Christine Romigh, Nancy Reash Garstick, Levi Gaskins, Terri Hoskinson, Jon McMaster, Dennis Weber, Anna May Duffy, Sue Ferguson, Linda Surace, Richard & Mary Ann Rezek, Karl Bott, Jim & Mary Liggitt, Hube Keylor, Ron Beckham, Kevin Channell, Janis Steitz, Ed Todd, Ruth Zarnosky, Don Gormley, Tom Bell, Cara Surace, Rick Weber, Cindy McCue, Patricia Connolly, Ron Smith and Alyce Drakulich

Those Ministering Today:

GREETERS: Lois Pittock & Pat Young

NURSERY: Colleen Eisenbraun

CANDLES: Brenda Hanna

LITURGIST: Brenda Hanna

USHER: Cindy Perorazio

ELEVATOR: Logan Cope

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Monday

7:00 p.m.

GRO

Tuesday

10:00 a.m.

Pastor Rob will be at McDonald's

6:30 p.m.

Bell Choir

Wednesday

6:00 a.m.

Men's Breakfast

Next Sunday

8:30 a.m.

Choir Practice

9:30 a.m.

Sunday school

10:45 a.m.

Worship Service

Those Ministering Next Sunday:

GREETERS: Ruth & Joe Zarnosky

NURSERY: Alison Hoskinson

CANDLES: Brenda Hanna

LITURGIST: Diane Barnes

USHER: Cindy Perorazio

ELEVATOR: Logan Cope

For Our Visitors

Grace Church welcomes you! Please sign our attendance pad so we know you have visited with us. We have a nursery available for all children age 4 and under. For children over 4 years of age, activity bags are available for their use in the sanctuary during the service.

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