

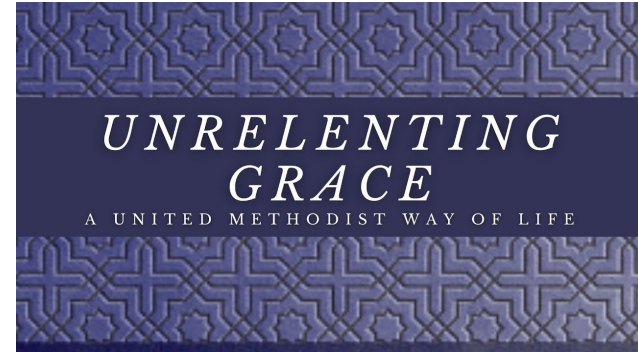
# Faith United Methodist Church

November 5, 2023

## Unrelenting Grace

### Those Who Serve

Pastor:	Joy Wigal
Musician:	Chris Kennedy
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Custodian:	Jordan McKee
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WE GATHER  
Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Threshold Moment  
“*Lord, Be Glorified*” (verse 1) TFWS 2150  
In our lives, Lord,  
be glorified,  
Be glorified.  
In our lives, Lord,  
be glorified today.



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## Call to Worship

*Once upon a time  
a wise man offered a challenge;  
"What is the greatest commandment?"  
The calendars on our desks share a vision of  
greatness; bills to pay, phone calls to return,  
appointments to keep.*

**Love the Lord your God.**

*Like our schedules,  
the cameras of our memories and phones  
share what commands us.*

**Love the Lord your God  
with all your heart, and with all your  
soul, and with all your mind.**

*Still the Spirit lures us to new priorities;  
open spaces to experience wonder,  
strangers becoming friends,  
devotion to that which transcends.*

**Love the Lord your God  
with all your heart, and with all your  
soul, and with all your mind.**

**Love your neighbor as yourself.**

~ by Katherine Hawker

**"Lord, Be Glorified" (verse 3) TFWS 2150**

**In your church, Lord,  
be glorified,  
Be glorified.  
In your church, Lord,  
be glorified today.**

## Keep in Your Prayers

Adah Krokonko	JoAnne Peadon
Aggas Family	John Smith
Al Duncan	Johnson, Mohler & Covert Families
Andy Hartsock	Julie Glass
Baby Asher & Family	Kyle & Richard Felton
Baby Christian and Tanya	Lesha Alexander
Baby Griffin & Family	Lynn
Baby London	Marlene Farley
Bauer Family	Mike Camp Family
Bernice Osborne	Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Sutton
Betty Howard	Nick Prindle
Betty Miller	Pam & Michael
Bradley Adams	Pam Glass
Brenda Miller	Patty Pavlik
Brenda Shepherd	Pearl Bradford
Brian Hina	Rita Spurrier
Chad Glass Family	Ron Howard
Charlie & Jean Bathrick Family	Ron Pyle Sr. Family
Chase Bracken Family	Sandra Boyd
Dave Smith Family	Sarah Chapman & Family
Debbie Gifford	Shana
DeGarmo Family	Steve Cahn
Dennis Cebulsky	Steve Inman
Dunn Family	Suzanne Collins
Erica Bishop	Terry Pickens
Gloria Jean Campbell	Tom Kelley Family
Heather Bathrick	Tonya Poli
J.J. Jasper	Vickie Cordle
Jacob Elson	Vicky Butcher
James Finlay Jr.	Wanda Adams
Janet Hickman	Medical Faith Shut-in:
Jasmine	Kathleen McCutcheon
Jaydon Pletcher	
Jim & Linda Dudley	
Jim & Patty Evans	

## **Calendar of Events**

Sunday, November 5

Worship .....10:30am

Monday, November 6

Office Open ..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Tuesday, November 7

Election..... 5:30am-7:30pm

Office Open ..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Wednesday, November 8

Office Open ..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Book Study ..... 1:00pm

Thursday, November 9

Office Open ..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Sunday, November 12

Worship .....10:30am

New Hope Circle..... 6:30pm

Monday, November 13

Office Open ..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Tuesday, November 14

Office Open ..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Wednesday, November 15

Office Open ..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Book Study ..... 1:00pm

Thursday, November 16

Office Open ..... 10:00am-2:00pm

## **Opening Prayer**

**God who will never give up on us,  
We gather today to better know your grace in our lives.  
In this time together,  
Graciously speak to us.  
Graciously touch our hearts.  
Graciously make us whole.  
Graciously work in us.  
And graciously transform us as a community of faith  
into the image of Christ.  
By Your Holy Spirit,  
unfold your will and word and bring it alive in us.  
Amen.**

**Hymn “Blest Be the Tie that Binds” UMH 557**

## **Children’s Moment**

### **Scripture**

**Matthew 22:34-40 and Acts 2:43-47 (NLT)**

### **Sermon**

**Grace in Connection**

### **Prayers**

**“To Know You More” (verse 3) TFWS 2161  
To know you in all of your mercy,  
to serve you with all that I am.  
With all of my heart, Lord,  
this is my prayer:  
to know you more  
to know you more.**

SHARING OUR PRAYERS AND PRAISES  
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Litany for All Saints

**We remember...**

...teachers and storytellers

who made God's stories come alive for us and

**We give thanks!**

**We remember...**

...choir members, praise bands, organists,

and all the musicians who sang

and played your praises and

**We give thanks!**

**We remember...**

...preachers and lay leaders

who led our worship through the years and

**We give thanks!**

**We remember...**

...parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins,

sisters, and brothers who sat with us on Sundays

and lived out their faith all week long and

**We give thanks!**

**We remember...**

...our church families – this one and others

we have loved.

We remember all those who have been

a part of this faith family and

**Upcoming Liturgists and Greeters**

November 5	Barb T.	Don, Roberta & Susie
November 12	Roberta	Chris & Heather
November 19	Marsha	Mark, Thea & Vickie
November 26	Nick	Floyd & Pat
December 3	Mark	Don, Roberta & Susie
December 10	Roberta	Chris & Heather
December 17	Nick	Mark, Thea & Vickie
December 24 AM	Gail	Floyd & Pat
December 24 PM	Marsha	
December 31	Nick	Jim & Barb

### **Hanging of the Greens**

Everyone is invited to help decorate the church for the Christmas season on Sunday, November 26, right after the worship service. The New Hope Circle will provide lunch beforehand. Mark your calendars and we will see you there. Many hands make light work!

### **Picture Perfect Christmas Luncheon**

Everyone is invited to the annual United Women in Faith Christmas luncheon on Sunday, December 3, 2023, after the worship service down in the fellowship hall. We will enjoy a catered lunch from The Barn. On the menu will be Chicken breasts, Veggie Lasagna, Macaroni and cheese, Green beans Almandine, Fresh Salad, Pumpkin bars, iced tea and water. The cost is \$10.00 per person. See Roberta Covert by November 26 to make your reservations.

### **Head Start**

Please consider donating shelf stable foods and snacks for our Head Start students. We will begin distributing Blessing Bags once enough items are collected.

### **Monado's Market**

Thank you, Faith UMC, for the on-going support of the Monado's Market at Zane State College. Your help is greatly appreciated! Some helpful items we are collecting include:

Single Serving Snacks	Paper Towels	Personal Hygiene Items
Microwavable Meals	Toilet Paper	Laundry Supplies
Bottled Water	Ibuprofen/Tylenol	Pet Supplies
Trash Bags	Dish Soap/Sponges	

**We give thanks!**

**We remember...**

...our ancestors in the faith

whose courage enables us to be here today.

For our sisters and brothers in the faith

whose names are remember only by God

**We give thanks!**

~ written by Rev. Susannah DeBenedetto

**PRAYING WITH JESUS**

**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 sins**

**as we forgive those who sin 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.**

**Offering**

**Doxology**

**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**

## Holy Communion

May the God of all saints be with you!

**And also with you!**

Lift your hearts to God, all you who seek God's face.

**We offer them to the One whose being rejoices as we rejoice and whose heart weeps with ours.**

Lift up your heads, O people, singing glad songs of praise to God.

**With joy in our hearts, with words of truth and life on our lips, we give thanks to our God.**

With a simple Word,...

...glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God, strong and gracious.**

**As they await their renewal, heaven and earth glorify you.**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blessed is the One who comes to call us into life.**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

Gracious are you,...

...mystery we call faith.

**In Christ, the shroud of death has been destroyed.**

**In Christ, all creation is given new life.**

**In Christ, we will be God's people forever!**

Pour out your Spirit...

...now and forever

**Amen.**

## Prayer of Dedication

**Generous God,**

**We don't give because you make us.  
We don't give because anyone else is watching.**

**We give because we are grateful  
and because we want to be part your work  
in every way we can.**

**Jesus reminds us that the way our money  
helps or hurts others matters to you.**

**And so we ask that this money would help  
your work and this community of faith to flourish.**

**Amen.**

## WE GO FORTH

Hymn "Forward Through the Ages" UMH 555

## Benediction

*We have been given this new week  
in which to honour the God who is easy to love  
by loving the neighbours who are sometimes difficult to  
love.*

**We rejoice in God's great love for us  
And we will work to love the Lord our God  
with all our heart, soul, mind and strength,  
and to love others as we love ourself.**

**My friends, go into the world: knowing that it is God  
who loves us, Christ who strengthens us, and the Holy  
Spirit who empowers us for service.**

**Amen.**

## Postlude