WELCOME to Worship at Grove Church May 5, 2024 We Belong to Each Other: We Welcome Everyone



Assisting in Worship

Liturgist – Al Ulozas Greeters- The Lewis family Ushers – Brad Hanford and Jim Schmidt Coffee Stewards – The Gatchel Family Communion Stewards – Carol & Bob Moore, Krista Carstens and Cindy George Grove Stream Team

GROVE KIDS

Kids of all ages are welcome in worship!

We welcome families with children to use our *Grace Space* in the front of the sanctuary. This purposely designed area allows space for children to fully participate in worship without being confined to a pew. There is ample seating for parents to be nearby to connect with their children as needed.

We also have a Nursery available for infants and toddlers.

Upcoming Events

ASP Meeting – Today @ 12:30 pm Community Dinner Thursday, May 9th, 4-6:30 pm One Service next Sunday, May 12th at 10:00 am Car Wash – May 19th

GATHERING

PRELUDE	Here, O My Lord, I See Thee	by Dearle
---------	-----------------------------	-----------

PASTORAL GREETING & WELCOME

Pastor Stacy

ORGAN VOLUNTARY Voluntary by Stanley – You are invited to spend this time preparing your heart for worship

ENTRANCE

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 98)

Pastor: Sing to our God a new song,
Congregation: for God has done wondrous things.
Liturgist: The Holy One's might is not found in destruction,
Congregation: but in steadfast love and constant faithfulness.
Pastor: These gifts are not for us alone,
Congregation: they are for one and all.
Liturgist: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Congregation: Break forth into songs of praise.
Pastor: Let all creation praise the Lord.

***OPENING HYMN:** Many Gifts One Spirit UMH No. 114

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

ANTHEM Come, Break the Bread Pamela Stewart and Lloyd Larson Tabernacle Choir

SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 8:26-40

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord! People: **Thanks be to God.**

A MESSAGE FOR ALL OF GOD'S CHILDREN

Pastor Eva

(Children of all ages are invited to come to the front)

SERMON	We Welcome Everyone	Pastor Stacy
HYMN	Come Share the Lord	TFWS No. 2269

MORNING PRAYER with THE LORD'S PRAYER

OPPORTUNITES FOR SERVICE & FELLOWSHIP

OFFERING

OFFERTORY	Morning Has Broken	by Wilson

***DOXOLOGY** Be Present at our Table Lord UMH No. 621

GATHERING AROUND THE TABLE & SHARING IN COMMUNION

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We believe in a communal God- three persons in one.

We believe in a God who has created us for community.

We believe in a God who loves us beyond measure and teaches us how to love one another.

We are all a part of God's family. We are welcomed. We are embraced. We are wanted. We belong.

We belong to God. We belong to each other. We belong to God's world.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

*DISMISSAL & BLESSING

*HYMN	Blest Be the Tie that Binds	UMH No. 557

POSTLUDE

Italian Hymn

by Broughton

- We invite you to remain for this final act of worship

*- please stand in body or in spirit

If you have been moved by your experience in worship today and would like to learn more about faith in Christ or get connected at Grove, our Pastors would love to talk with you. Please call the church office to schedule a meeting or email <u>PastorStacy@GroveChurch.org</u>.

<u>GIVING</u>

At Grove Church we believe that giving is a spiritual practice. We don't encourage giving out of guilt or obligation but from a place of generosity and joy. Your gift matters and it's making an impact on our community and on the world!

You will notice that we don't pass the offering plates during the worship service, instead they are sitting at the entrance. You can also access online giving by scanning the QR code.

Scan to donate





A United Methodist Congregation office@grovechurch.org Office Hours Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. www.grovechurch.org (610) 696-2663

The Rev. Stacy Gonzalez, Lead Pastor The Rev. Eva Johnson, Director of Faith Formation Tom Marsden, Director Traditional Music Mike Hardie, Director of Youth Ministries Pam Humphreys, Director, Grove Preschool Layne Martin, Nursery Attendant The Rev. Marilyn Schneider, Deacon Robert W. Johns, Organist Chris Yarnall, Director of Rooted Worship Brenda Lewis, Communications Coordinator Amy McCorkle, Office Administrator