WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH February 16th, 2020

PRELUDE

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP Led by David Patterson

One: We gather to worship together,

All: Different people, different lives, different histories,

One: Yet all children of the same Parent,

All: Created lovingly by the Source of all life!
One: We gather to reconnect with one another,

All: Different people, different lives, different histories,

One: Yet all disciples of one Teacher.

All: Jesus, the Word made flesh, dwelling among us.

One: We gather with different joys and sorrows, different hopes and

fears....

All: Different people, different lives, different histories, One: Yet one people with one God, one faith, one baptism.

All: Let us open ourselves to the presence of God at work in us,

among us, and through us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOW HAS GOD BEEN PRESENT IN YOUR LIFE THIS WEEK?

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" UMH #452

A PRAYER TOGETHER "Psalm 82" UMH pg. 804

Led by David Patterson

HYMN "Glory Be to the Father" **UMH #70**

SPECIAL MUSIC "Faith of Our Fathers" Bells of Grace

A TIME WITH OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

MORNING PRAYERS/ PRESENTING OUR PRAYERS TO THE LORD THE PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

PRAYER TUNE "To Know You More" TFWS #2161

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY African American Spiritual

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

*DOXOLOGY UMH #94

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE EPISTLE READING 1 Peter 1:12-19 NT pg. 232

HYMN OF PREPARATION UMH #57

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

SERMON "The Church IS Different" Pastor Mike

*THE HYMN OF DEDICATION "Amazing Grace" UMH #378 vs. 1,2,3

*TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

^{*}Indicates that those who are able and comfortable doing so shall stand.

Please join us after worship downstairs in the Dining Room for Fellowship Hour. There is always great conversation and good food to share!!

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Rev. Mike Kelly
David Patterson
Liturgist
Jean Tedrick
Organist

SERVING YOU TODAY

Pat Osborn, Barbara Coles Greeters
Rusty Dye Head Usher
Pat Osborn, Jeff Smith, Rusty Dye Ushers

IN MEMORY

In lighting the candle on the altar, we keep in our thoughts and prayers those who have gone before us: Ellen Brackman (2/10/2019).

TODAY'S BULLETINS

Today's bulletins are given by Gerry Bruielly in loving memory of her husband, Bill and the anniversary of his passing, February 11.

CAN & QUARTER

Today is Can & Quarter Sunday. Any non-perishable items brought in can be put in the cabinet in the Narthex. They will then be given to a local food pantry. Monetary donations will go to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

BIRTHDAY BRUNCH

Join us on February 23 to celebrate February birthdays. The brunch is held during the normal Fellowship Hour, right after worship. Please bring a dish to pass and your own table service.

CONGREGATIONAL HOLY CONFERENCE

All members and friends of Grace UMC are invited to attend a Congregational Holy Conference on Thursday, February 20, at 6:30 pm in the chapel. At this conference, Pastor Mike will lead a discussion on the impending changes within the United Methodist Denomination.

SHROVE TUESDAY

Emanuel Lutheran Church (149 W. William St.) will host a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner on Tuesday, February 25, 4:30-7:00 pm. Suggested donation is \$5/person; \$15/family; under 6 free. Proceeds of dinner will benefit Corning Meals on Wheels.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE & LUNCHEON

Ash Wednesday falls on February 26 this year. Join us for a worship service at 12:00 noon, followed by a luncheon. All are welcome.

We will again have a Prayer Vigil on Ash Wednesday. Please indicate on the sign-up sheet what time works best for you. However, it is not necessary to pick a timeslot, as the sanctuary will be open for anyone who would like to pray/mediate.

MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICES

This year's mid-week Lenten service for the area Methodist churches will take place on Wednesdays, starting Feb. 26, at 7:00 pm. All services will be held at Presho UMC.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Upcoming events at Grace UMC you won't want to miss: **Lasagna Dinner** (take out only) – Thursday, March 26, 4:30-6:30 pm

Cost: \$10 for a delicious piece of lasagna, tossed salad, bread and brownie.

Spring Bazaar and Craft Show – Saturday, March 28, 9:00-2:00 pm Come and check out the many vendors that will be here – you never know what you will find! If you would like to rent a table (\$20), please see Pam Kelly or Kathy to get an application.

NEWSLETTER

Articles for the March newsletter need to be in the office by Tuesday, February 18.

MEMBERSHIP CARE PROJECT

The Membership Care Committee of Grace United Methodist has been committed to carrying out local missions, always with the generous support of the congregation. This winter, we are repeating our project of the past two years which benefitted the WIC program (Women, Infants, and Children). This program has made use of our church for over 30 years.

As was the case last year, the committee would like to collect toiletries/personal hygiene items and offer them for free to WIC clients. Our goal is to cover all three clinics held in February; if enough donations are collected, we would ideally cover their entire client base over all three February dates.

The congregation has been extremely generous with their donations in the past, and we hope that we can match that level of support again this year. Please bring in items such as: deodorant, combs, brushes, lip balm, hand lotion, body wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss, shampoo, etc. (no razors please). With your help, Grace Church can extend our love of the Lord by filling this local need. Donations may be placed in the designated container outside of the Church Office for the rest of this month and through February.

SPAGHETTI DINNER

Corning Community Food Pantry will host a spaghetti dinner on Saturday, March 7, 5-7 pm at the Corning American Legion (South Corning). The dinner will include spaghetti and meatballs, featuring sauce donated by Sorge's Restaurant, salad, bread, dessert and beverage. Cost is \$10/person, eat in or take out. Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door. For more information, call 962-6750.

UMW FOOD COLLECTION

The UMW has committed to aiding those in need by collecting items for the local food pantry. We encourage you to give canned goods and other non-perishable items each month. Your gifts may be placed in the cabinet located in the narthex. **Peanut Butter** is highlighted for February.

FEBRUARY 16 - 23

Sunday Can & Quarter Sunday

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Fellowship Hour, DR

Hosts: John & Denny O'Connell

10:30 AM Adult Sunday School, L 10:45 AM Sunday School Classes

Monday Office Closed for President's Day

11:00 AM Calling Hours for Gary Dye

12:00 PM Memorial Service for Gary Dye, S

12:00 PM AA, 201 6:00 PM NA, DR

6:30 PM Boy Scout Leaders, 201

Tuesday Newsletter Deadline

9:30 AM Membership Care, L

12:00 PM AA, 201

6:00 PM Adult Children of Alcoholics, 205

7:00 PM Harmonious Chorus, S

Wednesday 9:00 AM WIC, DR

12:00 PM AA, 201

6:00 PM Boy Scouts, DR/RH

6:00 PM Bells, S 7:00 PM Choir, BC

Thursday 12:00 PM AA, 201

6:30 PM Congregational Holy Conf., BC

Friday 12:00 PM AA, 201

6:00 PM NA, DR

Saturday 12:00 PM AA, 201

Sunday 9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Birthday Brunch, DR 10:30 AM Adult Sunday School, L 10:45 AM Sunday School Classes

DON'T FORGET

Have you signed the cards out in the Narthex yet? If not, please do so after service. The UMW does a terrific job sending cards to those who are ill, have lost a loved one, or are homebound. They have received many comments from the recipients that these cards are so welcomed and that they are so pleased to receive them.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

To share Joys and Concerns, please write on the Connection Card your prayer requests and/or joys at the beginning of the service. An usher will then collect the Connection Cards during the first hymn and put them on the altar to be lifted up in prayer. If you don't have a joy/concern this week, we ask that you still fill out the Connection Card with your name and hand it in during the offertory.

PRAYER LIST

Please take a look at the prayer list and military list below. If you know of anyone that can be taken off the list, please let the church office know. Thank you.

IN OUR PRAYERS: The names in parenthesis are those requesting the prayers.

Sangho Chu (Hyung Lee), Irene Church, The Clark Family (Rusty Dye), Amy Dernier (Hyung Lee), Pete Fratarcangelo, Sandy Gardner (Sandy Bartos), Eric Gustafson (Rick Bostwick), Bill Habelt (Betty Breuilly), Marie Harding (Doris Bempkins), Peter Johnson, Anne Martin (Pat Edger), Tom & Shirley Nellis, Dan O'Connell, Jeff O'Connell, Dr. Park (Hyung Lee), Lorraine Smith, Brian Strong (Sandy Bartos), Victoria Walrath, Stefani Weiskopff (Hope Johnson), Nakita (Sandy Tubbs), Lois (Helen Fisher)

IN OUR HEARTS: Cards and calls are always appreciated. **Absolut Care** (Three Rivers): Dagmar Cedar, Edith Holmes

Appleridge: Fran Toby **Bethany:** Diane Hilliard

Brookdale (Green Meadows): Nora Jungquist

Corning Center For Rehabilitation & Healthcare (Founders): Mason Bennett

THOSE IN THE SERVICE: Lt. Commander Chase Johnson (Navy, Helen

Mattison), Nick Stead (Marines – currently in Iraq)