



And Samuel said,

“Speak, for your servant is listening.”

1 Samuel 3:10, NRSV

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July 31st, 2022
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PRELUDE
ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Praise be to the Lord who calls us to serve the living Christ!
People: For we wait upon the Lord with open hearts filled with love.
Pastor: Christ would send us every people and nation if the world.
People: We are called to proclaim for all to hear of our risen Lord and Savior.
Pastor: Let us celebrate our mission and let us always give God the praise.
All: Here I am, Lord. Send me! Amen.

PRAISE SONG “Always”

*INVOCATION – **O God, you call to us today, just as you called to the boy Samuel so long ago. Gathered here today, we are many different ages, but we pray for the maturity of faith to hear your call and respond to your Word. Open our ears and our hearts as we worship, as we work, and as we care for one another. We ask that you would give us courage and integrity to answer your call with the heart-felt words, “Here I am!” Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC
CHILDREN’S TIME

Logan Ling

EXPRESSION OF NEED AND PRAISE
PRAYER
LORDS PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Logan Ling

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN “Great is Thy Faithfulness” # 140

SCRIPTURE 1 Samuel 3:1-10

MESSAGE “The Prophet Samuel and the Young David”

CLOSING HYMN “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” # 127

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

***Those who are able, please stand**

GRACE UMC PRAYER CONCERNS:

Dennis & Darlene, Roberts, Bruce Holsopple, Kim Howard, Bill Lambert, Ron Shaulis, Dick & Judy Gelpi, Judith Henderson, Jack & Arlene Walters, Emily Hutchinson, Richard Mostoller, Glenn & Ginny Brown, Pat Wickham, Marge Oehling, Emma Witt, Ken & Bonnie Peterson, Jack & Shirley Ankeny

The altar flowers have been given for the Glory of God by the Holsopple family.

August Groceries from Grace list: Cereal, Rice, Detergent, Toothpaste, Canned chicken, Toilet paper, Hamburger Helper, Pudding cups, Ravioli. (Items are due before August 18th)

The Mission for July will be the Family Military Support Group.
*For the month of August, the M.O.M. will be The Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Today’s card will be sent to Henry Zuccolotto. The card can be found on the glass-top table in the narthex. Please let him know we are thinking of him.

Christmas in July Crafting

TODAY, there will be junior church for the kids to begin working on some crafts for OCC. Following worship all are invited to stay and help create bows, barrettes and other simple items for in the boxes. Pizza will be ordered, feel free to bring a snack to share.

IMPORTANT -Congregational Information Meeting

On Thursday, August 4, at 7:00, we will be joined by District Superintendent Rev. Bob Zilaver. He will share with us important information on the state of the denomination and options that are available to local churches in the coming months. All are welcome and encouraged to come and learn as we continue to consider how to most faithfully follow Jesus into the future God has planned for us as Grace Church.

FAITH ON FIRE YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Faith on Fire youth group is for students in grade 6-12. Although our group will not start the new year until after Labor Day, (Kick off date TBD) we have a survey that we would like to have our students complete, as we are planning the school year. If you are or have a youth who is interested in being part of this group, please pick up a survey in the narthex and return it to the church office by August 14th.

SAVE THE DATES!

August 20th is the "Fish & Pick-nic" at Dave & Mary Alice Emert's pond. There will be a fishing derby, corn hole competition, live music by the Faith on Fire Band, and a potluck dinner. Gathering starts around 3; with dinner at 4:00. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. More details forthcoming.

Mark your calendar: August 27th, the Faith on Fire Youth will hold a car wash. The fundraiser will be held at Auto Zone on N. Center Ave. Baked goods will also be offered for sale.



GRACE PRAYER CHAIN NEWS

Our prayer chain leader, Dorothy Dively will be on vacation from July 28th, returning on August 11th. During this time period, if you have a prayer request, please call Pastor Brenda Shaffer, 814-798-8041.



It's already time to plan for our church's presence at Mountain Craft Days. We traditionally staff a booth to sell food items and donate the proceeds to a missions project. We will have a brief meeting after worship on Sunday, August 14. All are welcome to join in the planning for this fun and fruitful event.

As we think about Mountain Craft Days, we are deciding whether to make and sell gobs, as we have traditionally done, or the cookies that we sold last year. Gobs are popular, but are labor intensive. So we are asking those who would like to work on gobs and can commit to several hours of kitchen work on September 7, to please call the church office by August 14, and we will decide whether to commit to gobs or cookies.