

Grace United Methodist Church
 320 Felgar Road
 Somerset, PA 15501
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 March 29, 2026
 Pastor Justin Judy

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Cate McQuade

Leader: Lenten travelers, the journey to the cross begins with a procession into Jerusalem, a demonstration of Jesus' saving power.

People: We come to praise Jesus, the Messiah, the One who saves!

Leader: The crowds line the path and shout "Hosanna! Save us!" as Jesus rides in, not on a mighty war horse, but on the backs of a donkey and a colt.

People: We come to call on Jesus, the Messiah, the One who saves!

Leader: The city murmurs, wondering who this person is who demonstrates power through humility, strength without tyranny.

People: We come to witness Jesus, the Messiah, the One who saves!

Leader: Lenten travelers, will you come on the journey to Jerusalem, following a Messiah who saves us to live after the pattern of the kin-dom of God, not the kingdoms of this world?

People: We come to follow Jesus, the Messiah, the One who saves! Amen.

*OPENING HYMN "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" #278

*INVOCATION

Humble God, you have shown us the way to enter all the Jerusalems of this world. You showed us not to enter our lives with fear, but with humility and courage. As we worship this day, we draw upon your example of Jesus on that humble donkey, and we raise our palm branches in rejoicing! We raise our voices, shouting along with your people of every age, "Hosanna in the highest!" Come and save us this day, O Jesus of Jerusalem. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC "Open Wide the Gates?" *Chancel Choir*
 CHILDREN'S TIME

EXPRESSION OF NEED AND PRAISE
 PASTORAL PRAYER
 LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY

* DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" #277

SCRIPTURES Matthew 21:1-11 *Tony Maimone*

MESSAGE "So It Begins"

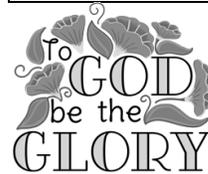
*CLOSING HYMN "This Is the Day" #657

*BENEDICTION

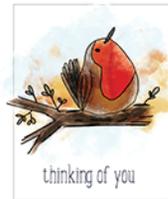
POSTLUDE

**Those who are able, please stand*

GRACE UMC PRAYER CONCERNS:
 Chuck Salay, Bill Stephens, Ray Tomsik, Joy Gresiek, Judith Henderson, Bruce and Jaye Holsopple, Pat Wickham, Dorothy Kolinsky, Richard Mostoller, Shirley Kaufman, Kristy Burkett, Darlene Roberts, Karen Kooser, Shirley Schlosser, Delores Resh, Kendra Nist, Doris Miller.



*The altar flower vases have been given to the
 Glory of God by the Holsopple Family*

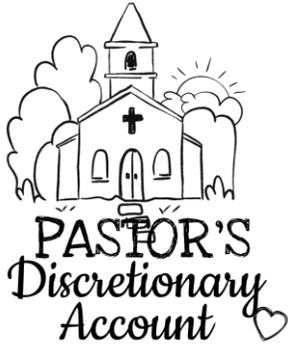


Today's "Thinking of You" card will be sent to Tim Bell. The card is located in the narthex.



MISSION of the Month

March's Mission of the Month will benefit



THIS FUND ALLOWS OUR PASTOR TO QUICKLY ADDRESS IMMEDIATE NEEDS FOR OUR CHURCH MEMBERS AND OTHERS IN NEED. EXAMPLES OF PREVIOUS USES INCLUDE HELPING PAY FOR HEATING OIL, HOTEL STAYS FOR STRANDED TRAVELERS, GASOLINE, ETC.



Faith on Fire Youth Group

No Meeting Tonight!!!

See you in 2 weeks!!

All Youth in Grades 6-12 are Welcome

New Members

CLASS

Anyone who is interested in becoming a member of Grace United Methodist Church, please see Pastor Justin for more information.



March's Mission

Gloves, Hats, Scarves, Socks

***All Sizes 2-14**





Grace UMC
Yard Sale Day
Saturday, June 6th, 2026
8 am to 2 pm

Got things you want to get rid of? Want to take advantage of the crowd a large multi-family sale will bring? Plan to set up during our Yard Sale Day. Space is available all through our fellowship hall or large parking lot. Space can be used to sell your home yard sale items, or craft and vendor items. Please reserve space in advance by filling out a form (available in the narthex) or contacting the church. Proceeds will benefit the OCC fund. Reservations will be on a first come, first serve basis. See Melissa for more details or with questions.



Groceries from
GRACE

April Menu

- Cereal
- Oatmeal
- Dish Soap
- Bisquick
- Mashed Potatoes

- Noodles
- Stuffing Mix
- Tuna
- Tuna Helper
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Garbage Bags
- Delivery Date: April 20th**



Join us at 7 pm at Grace UMC for our Maundy Thursday Communion Service.

Join us at First Church (next to Em's) for the Somerset Area Ministries Good Friday Service. Music, by Emily Beabes, begins at 11:30 with a message at Noon followed by a communion.

Come celebrate Easter with us. We begin with a Sunrise Service at 7 am. We will meet at the cross. An Easter Breakfast will follow. Lastly, at 10:30, join us for our Easter Sunday Service



April 4, 2026 @ 11:30 am

All invited!

Help is needed to do crafts and man the food table.
 Donations of candy and snack items are needed.



The Men of Grace will meet in the fellowship hall for breakfast **April 11, 2026** at **8:30 am**. All men are welcome. Please sign up in the narthex so Rich knows how much to make.



The Women of Grace will meet **Monday, April 14** at **6:00 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. All women are welcome.



Join us every Thursday evening in Lent at 7 pm for our evening bible service. Even if you missed the first few meetings, we would love to have you.

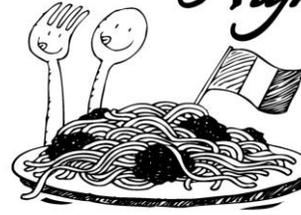


STARTING IN APRIL, THE PRAYER CHAIN WILL BE CHANGING. WITH THE ADDITION OF THE CALLMULTIPLIER SYSTEM, WE BELIEVE THE EASIEST WAY TO OPERATE THE CHAIN GOING FORWARD IS TO USE THIS SYSTEM. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PART OF THIS MINISTRY, PLEASE ADD YOUR NAME TO THE SIGN-UP SHEET LOCATED IN THE NARTHEX, CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT (814) 443-2906, OR SEND AN EMAIL TO SOMERSETGRACECHURCH@GMAIL.COM.



<https://somesetgrace.com/>

Italian Night



April 17, 2026

The proceeds from this Italian Night will be donated to:



Sign-ups are in the narthex.



July 26th - 30th 2026

Something for Everyone 1 to 101!!!

Exploring 5 foundational truths about the nature of God. Embark on a wild, creature-filled Amazon adventure where kids learn that Jesus is Creator, All-knowing, our Refuge, Love, and Forever.



See Melissa for more information

Adult Leader
Jr. High Youth Leader
Crew Leaders
Bible Story
Games
Registration



Mark your calendars for our Day Camp at Camp Allegheny. The fun runs from June 29th to July 3rd.