



**GRACE CHURCH**  
A UNITED METHODIST COMMUNITY

**May 12, 2024**

**WE'RE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!**

110 W. Bel Air Ave., Aberdeen, MD 21001

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# 9:00AM WORSHIP

GREETING

SONGS OF PRAISE

Shine, Jesus, Shine  
Love the Lord  
Shout to the North

LITANY FOR MOTHER'S DAY

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING SONG

The Potter's Hand

Anne & Andy Payne

MESSAGE

Sue Swisher, Ruth Bender, Christiana Robey

PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SONG RESPONSE

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

WORDS OF BLESSING



# 10:30AM WORSHIP

## OPENING VOLUNTARY AND PROCESSION

Prelude on *Diademata*

Charles Callahan

## GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: There are different spiritual gifts,

**P: but the same Spirit.**

L: There are many of us,

**P: but the same Spirit who gives to us all.**

L: There are different ministries,

**P: and the same Lord.**

L: There are many places for us to serve,

**P: and the same Lord who calls to us all.**

L: There are different activities,

**P: but the same God who produces all of them in everyone.**

L: There are many of us,

**All: and one God who calls and equips us for service.**

### \*OPENING HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns

UMH 327

## LITANY FOR MOTHER'S DAY

INSERT

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

UMH 881

### \*HYMN OF PREPARATION

We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

UMH 569

## MESSAGE

Sue Swisher, Ruth Bender, Christiana Robey

## PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

## RECEIVING THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

Robert Powell

## \*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

## \*CLOSING HYMN

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

TFWS 2223

## \*BENEDICTION

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Trumpet Voluntary

Bach, arr. Callahan

## WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Braulio Torres

Only Grace Praise Band

Praise Team Director: Nan Woppert

Digital Greeter: Carl Wenzel

Music Director: Dennis Stewart

Sanctuary Choir

Liturgist: Janet Jeanblanc

Ushers: (9:00) Felicia Meshew, Carol Fegel

(10:30) Barbara Smith, Janet Bristow

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# STAYING CONNECTED

May 12, 2024

**ALTAR FLOWERS** - The flowers on the altar are presented to the glory of God and in memory of their parents: Kathy, Dan, Norman & Mitsue, given by Ron & Mike Stahl, and in honor of her twin Granddaughters: Eva and Erin Downing on their 25th Birthday, given by Nelda Griffey.

**MOTHER'S DAY CARNATIONS** - Today each of our mothers will receive a pink carnation. These are a gift to the congregation in memory of Verna Preston and Ginny Cruit. We thank those who have made this memorial gift possible.

**CHILDCARE MINISTRY** - During our 9:00am worship service, we invite all children ages infant through 5th Grade to our Childcare Ministry. After our opening songs, caregivers will lead the kids to the Sanctuary Classroom. After worship, guardians can sign out their kid(s) from the classroom.

**RELAY FOR LIFE** - Come out and support our team, Race with Grace, at this year's Relay for Life event on Saturday, May 18 at 5 - 10 p.m. This is not a race; It's a walk or a time to just hang out. We'll have a fun evening including a celebration of fundraising efforts, cheering on our cancer survivors, and remembering our loved ones we've lost to cancer over the years. The event will take place at Concord Point Park in Havre de Grace. Everyone is invited to come out and cheer on our team. Stay a short while or for the entire event!

**PENTECOST SUNDAY** - Next Sunday, May 19, we invite you to wear something **RED** as part of our celebration of Pentecost Day. During our worship services we will celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the Birthday of the Church. The services will include Holy Communion. Plan to be here and invite a friend to join us!

## THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

- Today** - 6:00 p.m. - Youth of Grace (YOG) Meeting
- Mon. 5/13** - 7:00 p.m. - Finance Committee Meeting - Zoom
- Tues. 5/14** - 6:30 p.m. - Men's Softball Game vs Grace Assembly of God - 2303 Churchville Rd., Bel Air, MD 21015
- 6:30 p.m. - Fellowship & Hospitality Team
- Wed. 5/15** - 5:00 p.m. - Food Pantry - Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. - Only Grace Band Rehearsal
- Thurs. 5/16** - 6:30 p.m. - Carillons Bell Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Sat. 5/18** - 5 - 10 p.m. - Relay for Life - Concord Point Park
- Sun. 5/19** - **Pentecost Sunday**
- 9:00 a.m. - Worship with Livestream & Communion
- 9:00 a.m. - Childcare Available
- 10:30 a.m. - Worship with Livestream & Communion
- 6:00 p.m. - YOG Meeting

***We are very glad you are here for worship today. We ask that you please sign-in on the pads at the end of each pew so we may record the presence of all who are here to worship God.***

## MOTHER'S DAY LITANY

Leader: Like a mother eagle teaching her young to fly, you push us to stretch our wings and risk falling, yet you do not abandon us but lift us up protecting us from evil.

**ALL: We thank you, loving God.**

Leader: Like a mother bear, furious when her cubs are in danger, You bring justice on those who oppress the young.

**ALL: We thank you, loving God.**

Leader: Your Spirit comforts us as one whom a mother comforts.

**ALL: We thank you, loving God.**

Leader: Holy Spirit, you are everywhere - the Lord and Giver of life. We praise you for the gift of mothers through whom you give us life.

**ALL: We thank you for their willingness to nurture life, for their trust in you to guide them through the labor of childbirth, the uncertainties of youth, the letting go of young adulthood.**

Leader: We thank you for all those women, who did not give us birth, but through whom you give us abundant life:

**ALL: We thank you for school teachers, aunts, grandmothers, sisters, pastors, elders, Sunday School teachers, supervisors, and friends who share wisdom.**

Leader: We ask your tender mercies on all those whose mothers now sing with the heavenly chorus, for those whose tears are not yet dry.

**ALL: Grant them your peace, which passes understanding.**

Leader: We ask your comforting presence on those mothers who have lost children to death.

**ALL: Grant them the grace to trust their loved ones to your never-ending care.**

Leader: We pray for those who are alienated from their mothers by harsh words, distance or misunderstanding.

**ALL: Grant them your grace to forgive and to love again.**

Leader: We pray for mothers who work but cannot earn enough to feed and clothe and educate their children.

**ALL: Wake us to our responsibility for common welfare.**

Leader: We pray for mothers who are guardians for grandchildren whose parents are unable or unwilling to care.

**ALL: Grant them courage and strength and patience for the living of each day.**

Leader: We pray for mothers whose sons and daughters defend our way of life as firefighters, officers of the law, and in the military.

**ALL: Grant them confidence in your presence with their children in life, in death, in life eternal. Loving God, we thank you for all the women who have influenced our lives in so many ways. We pray that we will honor them in everything we do. Amen.**