

# A Celebration of Worship

August 17, 2025

## GATHERING MUSIC

## GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRELUDE

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come, place your trust in the Lord.

**P: We have been hurt so many times when we have trusted someone.**

L: The Lord will not let you down.

**P: We want to trust. Lord, help us.**

L: Come, this is the time and the place to take the step of faith.

**P: Lord, be with us as we reach out to you and to others. AMEN.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**                      “Sing Praise to God who Reigns Above ”                      UMH #126

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

## SILENT PRAYER/PRAYER

**HYMN**    “A Charge to Keep I Have ”    UMH #413

## CHILDREN’S STORY—held in the Nursery

**SCRIPTURE READING**                      Numbers 14:1-4 (CEB)

**SERMON**    “Lessons in Leadership”    *Pastor Kevin Rea*

**\*HYMN**    “Take Up the Cross”    UMH #415

**OFFERING PRAYER: Enduring and Gracious God, you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, those who have gone before us and those who walk beside us in faith. As we bring our gifts before you, we offer them in gratitude, knowing that our generosity is part of your ongoing work in the world. Strengthen us to run with perseverance the race set before us, so that through our giving and through our living, we may reflect the joy of Christ and the love that unites all your saints. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.**

**\*DOXOLOGY**    UMH #95

## \*BENEDICTION/\*POSTLUDE

## Serving Today

**Liturgist:** Sean McCoy

**Fellowship:** Covered Dish

## Staff

**Pastor:** Kevin Rea

**Office Assistant:** Caroline Rea

**Organist:** Jim O’Konski

**Flute:** Nancy Ott

**Lay Leader:** Valinda Hailey

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## \*Please Stand

\*\*Hearing Assist Units are available from an usher.

\*\*\* Children are always welcome to stay in worship. Activity bags are available for them to use. They are hanging on a rack outside the sanctuary.

# Connection Card

Welcome to Topeka Grace UMC!  
We are so glad you are here. Please take a moment to complete this card in its entirety and place it in the offering plate.

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Name

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Address

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City                                      State                                      Zip

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Phone

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Email   @gmail.com   @yahoo.com   @cox.net

- Please update my contact info.  
 Add me to the church email list.

Attending with me today:

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I am a:    Out of town Guest

First time Guest                       Frequent Guest

Second time Guest                       Member

# Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

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Please:

Share with Prayer Team

Keep confidential (Pastor only)

This person is:

Family  Friend  Member

Self  Co-worker  Other

My name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Info.: \_\_\_\_\_

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## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Monday, August 18

12:00 pm AA - #3

7:30 pm NA - #3

### Tuesday, August 19

5:30 pm AA - #3

### Wednesday, August 20

5:30 pm AA - Parlor

### Thursday, August 21

**9:00 am Senior Day Out - Perkins Restaurant**

5:45 pm Women AA - #3

6:00 pm TOPS - Parlor

### Friday, August 22

6:30 pm NA - #3

### Sunday, August 24

10:45 am Worship

# Grace

## United Methodist Church



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