

A Celebration of Worship

March 29, 2026 ~ Passion/Palm Sunday

GATHERING MUSIC

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Hosanna, Loud Hosanna—Processional of Palms UMH# 278

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Coming from places that have seen better days,
P: God bids us to celebrate this day, a day full of new possibilities.
L: Coming with our breath taken away by grief,
P: the Holy Spirit breathes new life within us, renewing our connection with God and with one another.
L: Coming to worship seeking a hope that will endure,
P: Christ unbinds the fetters that hold us in death, speaking words of truth, and building community for holy service.

*OPENING HYMN “In the Garden” UMH #314

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER/PRAYER

HYMN “Morning Has Broken” UMH #145

SCRIPTURE READING John 11 (NRSV)

SERMON “God Looks Like Jesus: The Ultimate Healer” Pastor Kevin Rea

*HYMN “Dona Nobis Pacem” UMH# 376

OFFERING PRAYER: From your hands, O God, come the blessings that make life possible, even the very gift of life itself. In gratitude and thanks, receive from our hands this portion of our labors. By your Spirit’s leading, may we use these gifts to bless the life of others with the assurance of love, the promise of hope, and the course of justice. This we do to your glory. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY God Be with You Till We Meet Again UMH #672

*BENEDICTION/*POSTLUDE

Thank you Pam Trimble, Grace UMC, for selecting this Sunday’s hymns.

Serving Today

Liturgist: Valinda Hailey
Fellowship: Kerrie & Leona Bacon

Next Sunday (4/5):

Liturgist: Freda DeWitt
Fellowship: Easter Brunch

Staff

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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.

March 29, 2026

Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Phone

Email

@gmail.com

@yahoo.com

@cox.net

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

Attending with me today:

I am a: ☐ Out of town Guest

☐ First time Guest ☐ Frequent Guest

☐ Second time Guest ☐ Member

Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

Please:

- ☐ Share with Prayer Team
- ☐ Keep confidential (Pastor only)

This person is:

- ☐ Family ☐ Friend ☐ Member
- ☐ Self ☐ Co-worker ☐ Other

My name: _____

Date: _____

Contact Info.: _____

WEEKLY CALENDAR ~ Holy Week

Monday, March 30

12:00 pm AA - #3

5:30 pm - City of Topeka - Topeka Boulevard

Construction Meeting - Fellowship Hall

7:30 pm NA - #3

Tuesday, March 31

1:00 pm - Lent Small Group at Grace

5:30 pm AA - Parlor

6:00 pm - Lent Small Group at Crestview

Wednesday, April 1

5:30 pm AA - Parlor

Thursday, April 2- Holy Thursday

5:45 pm Women AA - #3

6:00 pm TOPS - Parlor

6:00 pm - Maundy Thursday Service—Grace

Friday, April 3 - Good Friday

6:00 pm - Good Friday Service—Crestview

6:30 pm NA - #3

Saturday, April 4

Mission Statement

Grace United Methodist Church is growing into an open, welcoming, and accepting Christ-centered community, committed to sharing the transforming love of Christ, and loving all people all the time!

