

# A Celebration of Worship

August 9, 2026

## GATHERING MUSIC

## GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRELUDE

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: O come, let us worship and bow down,  
P: **Let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**  
L: For we are the people of God's pasture, the sheep of the Lord.  
P: **O Let us hear the voice of the Lord today!**

\*OPENING HYMN                      “Ask Ye What Great Things I Know”                      UMH 163

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

## SILENT PRAYER/PRAYER

HYMN                      “Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life”                      UMH 164

SCRIPTURE                      1 Corinthians 13:1-7 (NRSV) & John 1:14-18 (NRSV)

MESSAGE                      “What’s Love Got to Do with Do with Rejoicing in Truth?”

\*CLOSING                      “My Hope is Built”                      UMH 368

OFFERING PRAYER: Loving God, you call us to walk in love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself for us. Receive these gifts as a fragrant offering, and use them to shine your light, bring hope, and share Your love with the world. We give with gratitude, we serve with joy, and we love because you first loved us. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

\*DOXOLOGY                      “My Tribute”                      UMH 99

## \*BENEDICTION/\*POSTLUDE

## Serving Today

Liturgist: Pam Trimble  
Fellowship: Gayle McCoy & Rowene Helwick

### Next Sunday (8/16):

Liturgist: Shawn McCoy  
Fellowship: Linda Johnson & Irma Boyer

## Staff

Pastor: Kevin Rea  
Office Assistant: Lexi Lemons  
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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

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

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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 10**  
12:00 pm AA - #3  
7:30 pm NA - #3

**Tuesday, August 11**  
5:30 pm AA - Parlor

**Wednesday, August 12**  
5:30 pm AA - Parlor

**Thursday, August 13**  
9:30 am - Coffee with the Pastor at Café Quetzal  
5:45 pm Women AA - #3  
6:00 pm TOPS - Parlor

**Friday, August 14**  
9:00 am - SC Adventures in Learning  
6:30 pm NA - #3

**Saturday, August 15**



## 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!

# Grace

United Methodist Church

# Character of God

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# What's Love Got to Do With Rejoicing in Truth

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