MOUNT GRETNA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sunday, February 9, 2025 | 5th Sunday After the Epiphany

* * * ORDER OF WORSHIP * * *

WE GATHER

WELCOME & PARISH NOTES PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

ONE: Beloved, the Savior calls to you. Will you follow? **ALL: God, help us leave everything and follow.**

ONE: Christ's call persists through the clouds of doubt, fear, and

worry that descend on our path. Will you follow?

ALL: God, help us leave everything and follow.

ONE: Jesus calls us to shift our priorities, to leave behind the baggage of prejudice and the grasping for position so we can truly love God and our neighbors well. Will you follow?

ALL: God, help us leave everything and follow.

ONE: Beloved, receive this good news: you are not alone! Today we answer Christ's call together!

ALL: God, help us leave everything and follow your path of Love everywhere we go! Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2024.

*OPENING PRAYER: Almighty God, your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, is the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth, now and forever. Amen.

(The Book of Common Prayer, U.S.A., 1979, p. 163., ALT.)

*OPENING HYMN

"Amazing Grace"
Pink Insert Collected

#378 UMH

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

+CHILDREN'S MESSAGE. (Children are dismissed to Sunday School)

EPISTLE READING Ephesians 2:1-10 Pgs. 1776

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

SERMON Revival: Faith as Wesley Lived it ~ The Necessity of Grace

WE RESPOND

HYMN "And Can It Be that I Should Gain"

#363 UMH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, concluding with unison Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all Blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE GO FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN "Blessed Assurance" #369 UMH

*BENEDICTION

*SONG RESPONSE "Bind Us Together" INSERT

*POSTLUDE

(*)= Please stand if able (+)= 10:00 AM Service Only UMH= United Methodist Hymnal

The pink insert to your bulletin is there for you to share any joys or concerns you may have for our prayer time this morning. Please hand the slip to an usher during the Opening Hymn and they will bring your request to the pastor to be shared and added to our prayer chain. If you are visiting with us and would like to share any information, please use the other side of the insert.

Flowers:

The flowers today are in honor of Margaret Hopkins Aunt Betty for her 103rd Birthday.

Greeters:

Kristi Donahue & Bob Rader

+++++<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>+++++

Tues.	Feb. 11 th	Bible Study	Cancelled
Wed.	Feb. 12 th	Adm Council	7:00 PM
Wed.	Feb. 19 th	Gathering Place	Noon

Hearty and warm thanks to all our 'Souper' Soup Cooks for Saturday's soup-to-go sale. Contributors included Pat Allwein, Bev Andrews, Gary Bowman, Kassie and Mike Chapman, Dan Deitzel, Kristi Donahue, Karen Fenstermaker, Shannon Fretz, Eddie Garver, Deb Griffith, Sandy Hall, David Harris, Marcie Lloyd, Christi Reistad, Michelle Shuff, Andrea Swope and Greg Warhola_and all others who helped make this a great event.

Snow Watch: It is that time of year to watch the weather. We are registered on ABC 27 snow watch. In the event of inclement weather, please check for any service or event cancelations.

A Journey of Healing: From Lamentation to Praise:

Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi has issued a call for us all to engage in healing the divisions in our congregations, our conference, and our communities. This five-month conference-wide campaign will culminate in May at district conferences and the Annual Conference. "Praying Over the Wounds" is the call for February. In March, Lenten Gatherings with Communion & Healing Services will be held throughout Eastern Pennsylvania. More information on the journey can be found at https://www.epagnjhealing.com or from Pastor Andrea.

College Connection:

We are beginning to collect items to send to our college youth. Please, if you would like to donate snacks, games, supplies or anything else please drop them in the office. Thank you.

MGUMC Midweek Meditation:

If you are looking for a spiritual touchpoint midweek, you are invited to subscribe to Pastor Andrea's weekly email. This new initiative aims to help us stay connected and be encouraged as we live out our faith daily. To subscribe, please email Pastor Andrea at revandreahaldeman@gmail.com

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"A church for all seasons and <u>ALL</u> people"



Our Mission is ...

- to know Christ and make him known.
- to help people become—and grow as—followers of Christ.
- to relieve suffering, in our community and beyond, through our members' ministries.

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