

**Grace Methodist
Church
August 27, 2023**

Prelude

Opening Hymns FWS #2128

**“Come and Find the Quiet Center”
FWS #2145
“We’ve Got Peace Like a River”**

Congregational Prayer

Psalm Prayer UMH #755 Psalm 23:1-6

The Apostles’ Creed UMH #881

Children’s Message “Do you really want that?”

**Scripture Readings 1st Samuel 7:15-17
1st Samuel 8:1-22
John 19:7-16
Luke 24:1-8**

Sermon “The Lord Examines the Heart”

The Lord’s Prayer UMH #895

Offering UMH #95 The Doxology

**Closing Hymn UMH #585
“This Little Light of Mine”**

Closing Prayer and Benediction Numbers 6:24-26

Announcements

The Apostles’ Creed UMH #881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer UMH # 895

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Support Group meets Tuesday, September 7th at 6:30 pm.

Sprc will meet Tuesday, September 7th at 6:30 pm.

Naomi circle meets Tuesday, September 7th at 9:30 am.
Remember to bring your Salvation Army items.

Just for Kix will begin September 11th.

Fall programming will begin September 13th.

Starting September 20th Kristi, a certified yoga instructor will be leading gentle yoga sessions for all levels. Classes are Wednesdays and Fridays. Class begins at 9:00 am but you are encouraged to come early and stretch. The sessions are free but preregistration is required as class size is limited. Registration forms are in the office



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Welcome to Worship!

Challenge: This month's challenge is to think about your ministry calling. How is the Lord calling you to serve in the church, in the community, and in your own family? All of us have a calling, what is yours?

Questions:

1. The Lord hears the cries of the people for a king, and even though it is not with good intentions that they ask, He still grants them their prayers and gives them something that will ultimately be both good and bad for them. Why? Why wouldn't God just say "NO!"?

2. Samuel is distressed at all that has happened with the people, that they have not chosen to follow God but instead have asked for a king. How does God comfort Samuel in this? How does the Lord's comforting show that this is part of His ultimate plan?

3. Samuel gives great warnings about the dangers of having a king, as commanded by God. How does this mirror wise advice given by parents and elders? Why do the people in 1st Samuel, and the people in Jesus's time, and us so often today, not listen?
