

## GRACE ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

### Sunday, July 5

- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship - Graceful Grounds - Education building
- 9:30 a.m. Faith Fellowship Class - Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School Assembly (all children), Jr. Church classroom
- 10:15 a.m. Worship - Graceful Grounds "Unplugged" - Education building
- 10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal for Grace Women
- 11:00 a.m. Classic Worship - Sanctuary
- 1:00 p.m. Montagnard Worship - Sanctuary

### Monday, July 6

- 10:30 a.m. Taiji - Graceful Grounds
- 5:30 p.m. Taiji - Graceful Grounds
- 6:30 p.m. Qigong - Graceful Grounds

### Tuesday, July 7

- 8:00 p.m. AA - Graceful Grounds

### Wednesday, July 8

- 6:00 p.m. Yoga - Yoga Room - Ed. Bldg.
- 7:00 p.m. Agents of Grace Rehearsal

### Thursday, July 9

- 6:30 p.m. Tai Chi - Graceful Grounds
- 7:00 p.m. "10:15" Rehearsal

### Saturday, July 11

- 9:00 a.m. Yoga - Yoga Room - Ed. Bldg.

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# GRACE CHURCH UNITED METHODIST

SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2009

9:00, 10:15 & 11:00 A.M.



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 5, 2009

INDEPENDENCE SUNDAY

11:00 a.m.

## WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

### GATHERING AND PARISH NOTICES

*(You are invited to sign the friendship registers located at the end of each pew.)*

PRELUDE *March* Mozart

*(The light of Christ is brought into our midst.)*

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing praises to God, O you saints, and give thanks to God's holy name!

**We exalt you, O God, and you have restored us to life!**

We may cry through the night, but your joy comes with the morning.

**You hear, O God, and you are gracious in our distress.**

You turn our mourning into dancing! Our souls cannot be silent!

**O God, our Savior, we give thanks to you for ever!**

\*HYMN NO. 698 *God of the Ages* NATIONAL HYMN  
vs. 1-4

## WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS AND GIFTS TO GOD

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of grace and glory, we thank you that you judge us not by the perfection of our actions, but by our readiness to live boldly by faith. Help us, as individuals and as a congregation, to trust you and follow where you lead, that in Christ your name may be glorified in all the earth. Amen.**

*(Let us observe a moment of silence for personal confession.)*

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In the name of Christ, our sins are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God!**

\*THE GLORIA PATRI Hymnal, page 71

### \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*(You are invited to offer the peace of Christ to those with whom you worship.)*

RESPONSE NO. 561 *Jesus, United by Thy Grace* ST. AGNES

**Jesus, united by thy grace and each to each endeared,  
with confidence we seek thy face and know our prayer is heard.**

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

OFFERTORY *I Love to Tell the Story* arr. Held

\*DOXOLOGY NO. 94 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* LASST UNS EFREUEN

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

A TIME WITH CHILDREN Joe Matthews

\*SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 1:1-6

ANTHEM *Battle Hymn of the Republic* Steffe/arr. Wilhousky

SERMON "Let Freedom Ring!" Dr. Harry Long

\*HYMN NO. 437 *This is My Song* FINLANDIA

### \*BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

\*POSTLUDE *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* (BOYSTON) arr. Young

## WE TAKE GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*\*As you are able, please stand*

## THANKS TO THIS WEEK'S VOLUNTEERS

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