



## **Sanctifying Grace**

**WHITNEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**May 23, 2021      10:00 a.m.**

**Pastor Jack Bynum**

### **WELCOME & INTRODUCTION**

Good morning to you from Whitney United Methodist Church. I welcome you. I am Pastor Jack Bynum and I have the honor and privilege to serve the Lord in this church on this particular Sunday and I thank you for being here.

## CANDLE LIGHTING

As we light our candle this morning, let us remember that we were invited here as guests of God. May we come with joy in our hearts and thanks upon our lips!

## CALL TO WORSHIP

*Liturgist, Joe Maillard*

Like the Disciples of old, we ask...

**Lord, increase our Faith!**

Your reply is simple and clear...

**“A mustard seed...A mustard seed!”**

Again we say, “Strengthen our Faith!”

**You reply, “Water and care for what you have now,  
and it will grow!”**

## OPENING PRAYER

Gracious Lord, God, You call us to celebrate the wonder of Life.

We know You are a God of Joy, Laughter, and Praise!

Help us to reach beyond the sadness and pain in our lives, and

remember that life is good and wondrous. You are Light!

In You is no darkness at all! We praise You, O Lord! AMEN.

## OPENING SONG

*Andy & Svetlana Maddox  
Six Ways to Sunday (Band)*

**Grace Alone #2162**

CCLI Song # 2335524 Jeff Nelson | Scott Wesley Brown

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### Verse 1

Every promise we can make

Every prayer and step of faith

Every difference we will make

Is only by His grace

Every mountain we will climb

Every ray of hope we shine

Every blessing left behind

Is only by His grace

## **Chorus**

Grace alone which God supplies  
Strength unknown He will provide  
Christ in us our Cornerstone  
We will go forth in grace alone

## **Verse 2**

Every soul we long to reach  
Every heart we hope to teach  
Everywhere we share His peace  
Is only by His grace  
Every loving word we say  
Every tear we wipe away  
Every sorrow turned to praise  
Is only by His grace

## **Chorus**

Grace alone which God supplies  
Strength unknown He will provide  
Christ in us our Cornerstone  
We will go forth in grace alone

## **Tag**

We will go forth in grace alone

## **PASTORAL PRAYER**

Creator God, another year has passed in the life and ministry of this community of Faith. As we come together today, we remember the past 12 months. We have experiences of both joy and sorrow. We have known frustration and promise. We have sought to be a Faithful and Loving people. Bless this time together that we may continue to live out a Gospel of Love and Grace. In Christ's name we pray.

**AMEN.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Rev. Dewey Knowles*

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

*Kimberly Gardner*

# SCRIPTURE

*Liturgist, Joe Maillard*

**Ephesians 5:1-2      1 Thessalonians 5:16-24**

# MESSAGE

**“Sanctifying Grace”**

*Pastor Jack Bynum*

# SONG

*Six Ways to Sunday (Band)*

## **Abba Father**

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### **Chorus**

Abba, Abba, Father  
You are the potter, we are the clay  
The work of Your hands

### **Verse 1**

Mold us, mold us and fashion us,  
Into the image of Jesus, Your Son  
Of Jesus, Your Son

### **Chorus**

Abba, Abba, Father  
You are the potter, we are the clay  
The work of Your hands

### **Verse 2**

Father..... may we be one in You  
May we be one in You,  
As He in in You,  
And You are in Him

### **Chorus**

Abba, Abba, Father  
You are the potter, we are the clay  
The work of Your hands

### **Verse 3**

Glory..... glory and praise to You  
Glory and praise to You,  
Forever amen. Forever amen.

## **Chorus**

Abba, Abba, Father  
You are the potter, we are the clay  
The work of Your hands

## **OFFERING**

We are now going to prepare for our gifts and our offerings and I urge each of you to look at the slide on the screen that shows how you can present your gifts and offerings to this church.

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

Gracious and loving Lord God, again we give you thanks for this opportunity to return to You a portion of that which you have generously bestowed upon us. And may these gifts and offerings go to do your work with your blessing according to your will. Through Christ our Lord, Amen

## **DOXOLOGY**

*Andy & Svetlana Maddox*

### **Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow #94**

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise God all creatures here below  
Alleluia, alleluia  
Praise God the source of all our gifts  
Praise Christ whose power uplifts  
Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

## **CLOSING SONG**

*Andy & Svetlana Maddox*

### **Spirit of the Living God #393**

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Spirit of the Living God  
Fall fresh on me

Spirit of the Living God  
Fall fresh on me

Melt me mold me  
Fill me use me

Spirit of the Living God  
Fall fresh on me

## **PASSING THE PEACE**

*Pastor Jack Bynum*

May the Peace and Love of Christ be with you  
**And also with you.**

## **SENDING FORTH**

*Pastor Jack Bynum*

Your faith has made you whole again; and so as whole persons, return to God's world, play your part in God's creation. Never lose heart; but risk your faith in the risen Jesus and know He will match His stride to yours until your journey's end.

For the love of God, the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit is with you this day and always. **AMEN**

## **NEXT WEEK**

I want to invite you to join us again next week as Rev. Jane Shaffer begins a new series on Jesus' encounters with women and their faith and courage.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

After worship, you are invited to our virtual coffee hour on zoom. The link to join us is in the email you received with the links to this service. There are also instructions on this screen. We will gather about 10:45.

You are also invited to join us on our Facebook Group Whitney United Methodist church group to chat about the service. You can join the conversation anytime.

We will have a special farewell service at the church to say goodbye to Rev. Christina on June 6<sup>th</sup>. The details have not been finalized yet, but please save that date and plan to attend this outdoor, in-person event.

Also, if you were thinking of giving Rev. Christina a farewell gift, please consider contributing to a gift card that will be presented to her, Clint, Miriam, and Grace at the farewell service. Contact the church office for details.

More good news. The latest Covid-19 alert shows the risk rating for Ada County has dropped to the medium risk category. This is another indicator that will help enable us to resume some forms of in-person worship. As plans are developed, we will send out updates about modified in-person worship opportunities. These plans will depend on increased volunteer participation to prepare and maintain the facilities for safe occupancy.

**And now, may God be with us until we meet again.**

- Check out our Website [Whitneyumc.org](http://Whitneyumc.org)
- Listen to our weekly Radio Program 'Reach Out and Trust' - Sundays 7:30 am - 11:30 am  
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