

# Grand Avenue United Methodist Church

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## 11 am Parking Lot Worship Service

### COMMUNION SUNDAY - September 6, 2020

*Please bring your own bread (any type) and cup of juice or beverage from home. Each of us will lift our bread and cup in our own hands for the communion prayer of consecration. The sacred altar upon which the sacrament will be blessed will be each one of us.*

“Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I’ll be a living sanctuary for you.” Song: *Sanctuary* by J.Thompson & R.Scruggs

### Gathering Music

### Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship

Come out of the darkness of despair into the brightness of God’s transforming love.

**We praise God for God’s presence with us!**

Prepare your hearts and spirits to receive God’s mercy and healing.

**We thank God for God’s mercy toward us.**

Come, let us praise and worship God who is always with us.

**Thanks be to God at all times and in all places. AMEN.**

### Gathering Prayer

### Music

*The Gift of Love*

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### Scripture Reading

**Romans 13:8-10**

<sup>8</sup> Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. <sup>9</sup> The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>10</sup> Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

### Prayer of Confession / Word of Assurance

### Music

*Blessed Assurance*

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### Scripture Reading

**Exodus 12:1-14**

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: <sup>2</sup> This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup> Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. <sup>4</sup> If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. <sup>5</sup> Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. <sup>6</sup> You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. <sup>7</sup> They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. <sup>8</sup> They shall eat the lamb

that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. <sup>9</sup> Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. <sup>10</sup> You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. <sup>11</sup> This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the Passover of the LORD. <sup>12</sup> For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. <sup>13</sup> The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. <sup>14</sup> This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

## Message

### Prayer of Consecration for Holy Communion / The Lord's Prayer

### Sharing the Bread and the Cup

### Music

*Fill My Cup Lord*

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### Prayer of Dedication

### Benediction/Sending Forth

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **5-Week Audio Worship Series: Overcoming: Is This My New Normal?**
  - Listen to a new topic each week at [www.portumc.com](http://www.portumc.com)
  - If you'd like to "dialogue with the dialogue" on Mondays, contact Vicky in our church office for the Zoom link.
- Study Group: **The Chosen: Discover Jesus in a whole new way**  
Start date of these classes will be determined when the class is filled. Contact Vicky in the church office if you'd like to participate in one of the groups.
  - *In-person group* (5-8 people) will be held on Wednesdays at 1pm in the fellowship hall to watch the video and share discussion.
  - *On-line group* will be held on Tuesdays at 3:00 pm via Zoom
- **SCRIP orders due today!** Order forms are near the offering cart. Orders can be picked up next Sunday. Any orders not picked up will be mailed. Questions? contact Vicky Schafman
- **Sister Circle** (community ecumenical women's group) meets on Thursday, Sept 17 7pm at Christ the King Church, 420 W Whitefish Rd. We hope you will join us! In September, as a group, we will decide what book we will study this year. *Safety Protocols*: masks, social distancing, and use the east church entrance. Please park behind the church--North Holden Street and North Nelson Drive both access the parking lot. Any questions, contact Mary at 377-3720 or [mariwags@gmail.com](mailto:mariwags@gmail.com)

**REMINDER:** *Our Outdoor / Parking Lot Services are weather permitting. So far we've been blessed with nice Sunday mornings but if it is raining, the service will be cancelled. However, you can still listen to the Overcoming audio series through our website at [www.portumc.com](http://www.portumc.com)*

**The Gift of Love #408**

Though I may speak with bravest fire,  
And have the gift to all inspire,  
And have not love, my words are vain,  
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,  
Our spirits long to be made whole.  
Let inward love guide every deed;  
By this we worship, and are freed.

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**Fill My Cup Lord #641**

Fill my cup Lord, I lift it up Lord  
Come and quench this thirsting of my soul  
Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more  
Fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole.

**Blessed Assurance #369**

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine  
O what a foretaste of glory divine  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God  
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood

This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long  
This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my savior all the day long

Perfect submission all is at rest  
I in my Savior am happy and blest  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love

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