



# Grove Presbyterian Church

*Welcome to Outdoor Worship in the Grove:  
Please maintain a safe distance  
from other worshippers*



**All: “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.**

**One: “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.**

**All: “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

**One: “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.**

**All: Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.**

## Gathering Hymn

### **“We Are One in the Spirit”**

*They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

**We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;  
we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,  
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:**

***Refrain: And they’ll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love; yes,  
they’ll know we are Christians by our love.***

**We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;  
we will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand,  
and together we’ll spread the news that God is in our land:**

*Refrain:* And they'll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love; yes,  
they'll know we are Christians by our love.

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,  
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,  
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:

*Refrain:* And they'll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love; yes,  
they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Prayer of Confession

God of Blessing, many of us live blessed lives. Many of us experience comfort, security, and stability on a daily basis. However, Jesus tells us that there are different kinds of blessings associated with loss, good works, peacemaking, and persecution. We freely admit that we don't always think what you proclaim as blessings are true blessings in our lives. Help our minds to be transformed, so that we can see your grace in all experiences, and our hearts might be free to see your face in the challenges this life brings us.

*~Silent Confession~*

Assurance of Pardon

We are called as disciples to follow in Jesus' footsteps. Christ's grace allows us to walk, allows us to stumble,

and allows us to rise that we might continue on our journey. This is the way. **Amen.**

## Special Music

### **“Walk by Faith”**

*Will I believe You when You say:  
Your hand will guide my every way  
Will I receive the words You say -  
Ev'ry moment of ev'ry day?*

*Chorus: Well I will walk by faith,  
Well, even when I cannot see.  
Because this broken road prepares Your will for me.*

*Help me to rid my endless fears,  
You've been so faithful for all my years.  
With one breath You made me new;  
Your grace covers all I do.  
Yeah yeah...*

*Well I'm broken  
But I still see Your face  
Well You've spoken  
Pouring Your words of grace.*

### Chorus

*Well hallelujah, hallelu...*

Passing of the Peace (air waves, no touching)

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 61:1-4

New Testament Lesson

Matthew 5:1-14

Sermon

Sermon at the Foot of the Tree

Hymn

**“O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”**

**O beautiful for spacious skies,  
for amber waves of grain,  
for purple mountain majesties  
above the fruited plain!**

**America! America!**

**God shed his grace on thee,  
and crown thy good with brotherhood  
from sea to shining sea!**

**O beautiful for heroes proved  
in liberating strife,  
who more than self their country loved,  
and mercy more than life!**

**America! America!**

**God mend thine every flaw;  
Confirm thy soul in self-control,  
Thy liberty in law!**

Prayers of the People

## Holy Communion



Lord's Prayer (*debts/debtors*)

**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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

Sending Hymn

by Jackson & Miller

**"Let There Be Peace on Earth"**

**Let there be peace on earth, And let it begin with me.**

**Let there be peace on earth,  
the peace that was meant to be.**

**With God as our Father, brothers all are we;**

**Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.**

**Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.**

**With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:**

**To take each moment, and live each moment,  
In peace eternally.**

**Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.**

Blessing

Postlude

**"Onward, Christian Soldiers"**



**Flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in honor and appreciation of Don Ross and his  
ministry to the continued beautification of Grove's grounds.**

Participants in today's service: Elizabeth Henning (worship leader), Greg Bitler, Judy Christie, Justin Gaspar, William Gibson, Jr., Kessey Kieselhorst, Stephen Lewis, Cathy Sanders, Judy Stine, Adam Zakarian, (music), Jud Bennett (children's sermon), Scott Lawvere and Mitch Welliver (recording), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Jason Clapper.

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