



# Tippecanoe Presbyterian Church

*"We take the Bible seriously, but we don't take it literally."*

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## Welcome To Worship

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9:30 a.m.



Leuthold, Julie. Tree of Hope, from *Art in the Christian Tradition*, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=57033> [retrieved August 20, 2025]. Original source: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/julieleuthold/7521645058> - Julie.

*Welcome to this time of being with God and each other.*

**Have You Ever Been Accused of Breaking the Rules? (Or Secretly Broken Them without Telling Anyone?)**

*Rev. Ted Anderson, Grace Presbyterian Church*

## ✧Candle-lighting and Chimes

✧**Prelude** ~ Eileen Beamish, Music Director, Grace Presbyterian

## ✧Welcome and community news

It has been a joy to worship with Grace here at Tippe this month. A reminder that there will not be worship at Tippe on Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, as that is Labor Day weekend. Grace will hold worship at 10 am and invites anyone who is in the area to join them on the final Sunday of August.

Our August Tippe Night Out is on Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:30 pm at South Shore Terrace & Beer Garden – 2900 S Shore Drive, Milwaukee – we'd love to see folks from both Tippe and Grace there!

SECA-South East Clergy Association is hosting Homecoming Sunday, September 7, 2025 at Humboldt Park - Picnic Site #4 3000 S. Howell Ave, Milwaukee. Community Worship at 10 am and a Church Potluck Picnic at 11:15 am. Please bring a chair or blanket and your favorite dish to share. Rain location: Christ Church UCC, 915 E. Oklahoma Ave. Contact SECA: 414-483-3828. All are welcome!

We are invited on Sunday September 14<sup>th</sup> to take part in **Christ Church UCC's 130<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration!** It includes a block party and music. Bring your own lawn chair.

## Grace Announcements

Grace worship is back at Grace on Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup>.

Prayers for the family of Heather Lee Engel,

Niece of Member Nancy Gondek.

Funeral service will be held at

Harvest Community Church

6612 South Howell Avenue

Oak Creek, WI 53154

Thursday, September 4, 2025

Visitation from 10:00AM - 11:00AM

Service 11:00AM - 11:30AM

Presbytery Gathering August 26, 2025, 4-7pm

in Beaver Dam - Grace Presbyterian Church

215 Gould Street, Beaver Dam, WI 53916

Please join us and invite others for a free community concert.  
Neal Bardele & Friends. Classic Pop with a touch of jazz!  
August 31st. 2:30 pm  
Grace Presbyterian Church  
2931 S. Kinnickinnic Avenue  
Milwaukee, WI 53207  
Anyone is Welcome

✧ **Readying Ourselves for Worship**

***Surely God is in this place, Holy Ground!***  
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✧ **We Center Ourselves in this Moment**

*If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,*

*If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.*

*The LORD will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail.*

*Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.*

*If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the Sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs,*

*Then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.           Isaiah 58:9b-14*

~ **The Joy of Passing the Peace** ~

One: May the peace that surpasses all understanding be with you

**All: And also with you**

One: Thanks be to God

✧ **Time for Young Hearts**

✧ **Gathering Hymn #36 (G2G) “For the Fruit of All Creation”**

✧ **Opening Ourselves to God’s Grace**

*Before we got up this morning and decided to come to church,  
God was waiting for us, to welcome us with grace.*

*When we are unsure of what to do; when we falter before the next step, we come to listen to God's voice, to learn from the One who teaches us all we ever need to know.*

*When we are surrounded by cruelty and injustice; when our fears cripple our souls, God delivers us with steadfast love; we are set free to be God's sons and daughters.*

### ✧ **Sharing our Innermost Lives with God**

*When we were children, we learned not to touch hot things so we would not be burned. If only avoiding sin was that easy! But sin seems so comfortable, so easy, and so harmless that we cannot stop ourselves from reaching out to touch it over and over again. Let us confess our lives to the One who chooses to forgive us and love us unconditionally, as we pray together, saying,*

**Yet once more, we come to you with our prayers, Holy God. Our crippling spirits keep us from following you. Our grudges weigh us down until we cannot walk straight in your way. Our anger becomes a fire which scorches our friends and loved ones. Our fears blind us to the goodness in those we believe to be different.**

**Forgive us, God our Rock, and set us free from our wrong-doings and failures. From the day of our birth, we have known your love, grace, and hope. So may we offer you our joyful thanks, as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, reaches out to touch us with your healing forgiveness, yet once more. Amen.**

*God chooses not to turn a deaf ear to us, but to listen to our prayers. God chooses not to shame us, but to save us. This is, indeed, good news for us! We are set free to drink deeply from the waters of life.*

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

✧ **Special Music** ~ Eileen Beamish, Music Director, Grace Presbyterian

### ✧ **Prayer of Intention**

*Holy Spirit, may we hear your gracious Word for us today. May we grow in wisdom, strength, and love as we open our ears, our minds, and our hearts to the transformative message you have in store for each of us. Amen.*

### ✧ **Bible Wisdom Teaching**

*Psalm 103:1-8*

*Luke 13:10-17*

One: May we hear anew the origin stories of our faith and draw from the roots of our tradition.

All: **Thanks be to our God.**

✧ **Message “Have You Ever Been Accused of Breaking the Rules? (Or Secretly Broken Them without Telling Anyone?)”**

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✧ **Hymn 435 (G2G) “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”**

✧ **Exploration Committee Updates**

✧ **Our gifts of support**

*The God of all creation, who has stretched out the heavens and called the stars by name, also gives us strength for our journey. Let us now respond with gratitude to God’s empowering presence by giving of our resources in return.*

**Offertory Music** ~ Eileen Beamish, Music Director, Grace Presbyterian

**Offertory Blessing**

*O God, we give you thanks for the gifts of creation, and for the gift of life itself. We dedicate our resources to you, trusting and hoping that they will build up your work in our world. Amen.*

✧ **Prayers of the People**

**Community Prayers**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

✧ **Closing Hymn #343, vs. 1,3,6 “Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”**

✧ **Benediction**

*Let your light shine in the darkness, and your gloom be like noonday. May the Lord guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong. And you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail. Amen. (Isaiah 58)*

*Now that the worship has ended, may the service truly begin.*

✧ **Our Response:**

***Holy One, now we your servants go in peace. Your Word lives on in us.***

✧ **Postlude** ~ Eileen Beamish, Music Director, Grace Presbyterian