

# A Celebration of Worship

April 14, 2024

## GATHERING MUSIC

## GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRELUDE

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We are called to bring a new understanding of God: that God so loves the world.

**P: We are the salt of the earth.**

L: We are called to bring a new hope in God: that God gives us new life.

**P: We are the light of the world.**

L: We are called to follow the commandments and the law.

**P: The Law of God is to love God and to love one another.**

L: Come, let us be the salt of the earth, the light of the world.

**P: Come, let us love one another with the love of God. Let us join together in our love of God to worship and follow Jesus.**

### \*OPENING HYMN

“Lord of the Dance”

UMH #261

## CHILDREN’S STORY—held in the Nursery

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

## SILENT PRAYER/PRAYER

### HYMN

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

UMH #206

## SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:13-16 (NIV)

## SERMON

“You are the Salt of the Earth”

Pastor Kevin Rea

### \*HYMN

“Lead on, O King Eternal”

UMH #580

**OFFERING PRAYER: God of all creation, source of every blessing: you have given us so much. As we bring our tithes and gifts to you this day, these seem so small by comparison, unless we see that we are truly called to give ourselves back to the world. May we be the salt that brings value and flavor into relationships with those around us. May we be the light that helps others find their way to your love and care. We pray all of this in the mighty name of Jesus, who came to help us see all we could be. Amen.**

## \*BENEDICTION/\*POSTLUDE

## Serving Today

**Liturgist:** Valinda Hailey

**Ushers:** Lowell Johnson & Clayton Selby

**Fellowship:** Rowene Helwick

## Staff

**Pastor:** Kevin Rea

**Office Assistant:** Caroline Rea

**Organist:** Jim O’Konski

**Flute:** Nancy Ott

**Lay Leader:** Valinda Hailey

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### \*Please Stand

\*\*Hearing Assist Units are available from an usher.

\*\*\* Children are always welcome to stay in worship. Activity bags are available for them to use. They are hanging on a rack outside the sanctuary.

# Connection Card

Welcome to Topeka Grace UMC!

We are so glad you are here. Please take a moment to complete this card in its entirety and place it in the offering plate.

April 14, 2024

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Name

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Address

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City State Zip

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Phone

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Email @gmail.com @yahoo.com @cox.net

- Please update my contact info.  
 Add me to the church email list.

Attending with me today:

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I am a:  Out of town Guest

First time Guest  Frequent Guest

Second time Guest  Member

# Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

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Please:

- Share with Prayer Team
- Keep confidential (Pastor only)

This person is:

- Family  Friend  Member
- Self  Co-worker  Other

My name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Info.: \_\_\_\_\_

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## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Monday, April 15

12:00 pm AA - #3

7:30 pm NA - #3

### Tuesday, April 16

10:00 am SMS Exercise-FH

5:30 pm AA - #3

### Wednesday, April 17

12:00 pm AA-#3

5:30 pm AA - Parlor

### Thursday, April 18

**9:00 am Senior Day Out**

10:00 am SMS Exercise-FH

5:45 pm Women AA - #3

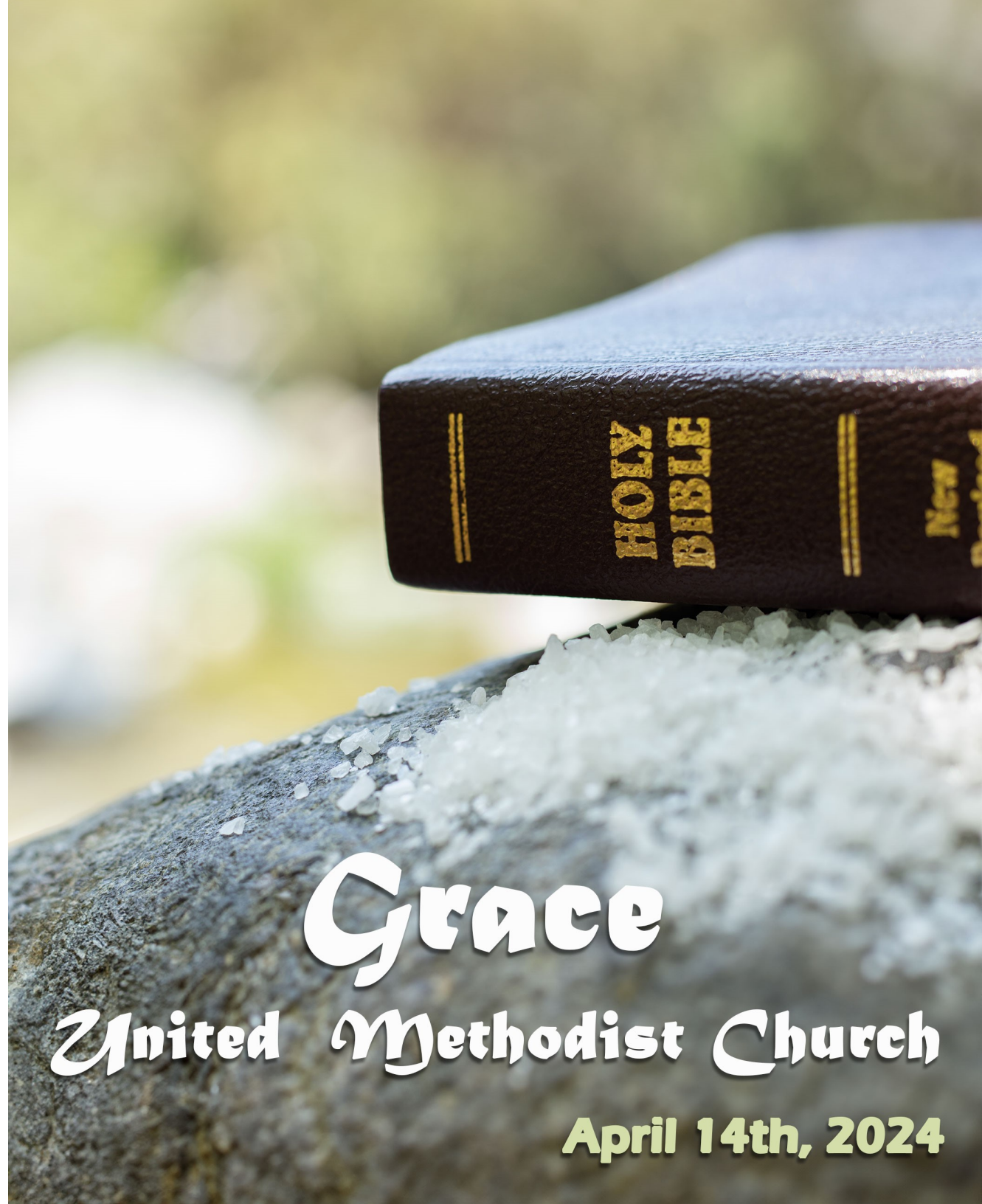
6:00 pm TOPS—Parlor

### Friday, April 19

6:30 pm NA—#3

### Saturday, April 20

**8:30 am - 12:00 pm Parking Lot Sale @ Crestview**



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