

A Celebration of Worship

August 18, 2024

GATHERING MUSIC

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We are marked as God's beloved ones.

P: What have we done to deserve God's love.

L: God's love is God's free gift to us, always and forever.

P: Even when we are difficult and turn away from God,

L: God's love never vanishes from us.

P: Thanks be to God who is ever faithful to us, AMEN.

*OPENING HYMN

"I Love to Tell the Story"

UMH #156

CHILDREN'S STORY—held in the Nursery

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER/PRAYER

HYMN

"Pass It On"

UMH #572

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 8:3-8 & Acts 8:26-33 (The Message)

SERMON

"Philip: Unless Someone Guides Me"

Pastor Kevin Rea

*HYMN

"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"

UMH #569

OFFERING PRAYER: God of the far-flung universe and God who is closer than our own heartbeat: we long to dwell in your closeness, abiding in you and you abiding in us. However, the call to abide in other places is strong: to abide in the world of popularity and acceptance or in the world of increasing wealth and power centered around our own wants and desires. As we offer our gifts and ourselves to you, help us turn away from other calls and abide in that place of heart's deepest desire: in your Son, Jesus, and he in us. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

*BENEDICTION/*POSTLUDE

Serving Today

Liturgist: Valinda Hailey

Fellowship: Pulled Pork Lunch

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.

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Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Phone

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

Please update my contact info.

Add me to the church email list.

Attending with me today:

I am a: Out of town Guest

First time Guest Frequent Guest

Second time Guest Member

Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

Please:

Share with Prayer Team

Keep confidential (Pastor only)

This person is:

Family Friend Member

Self Co-worker Other

My name: _____

Date: _____

Contact Info.: _____

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, August 19

12:00 pm AA - #3

7:30 pm NA - #3

Tuesday, August 20

5:30 pm AA - #3

Wednesday, August 21

5:30 pm AA - Parlor

Thursday, August 22

10:00 am SMS Exercise-FH

5:45 pm Women AA - #3

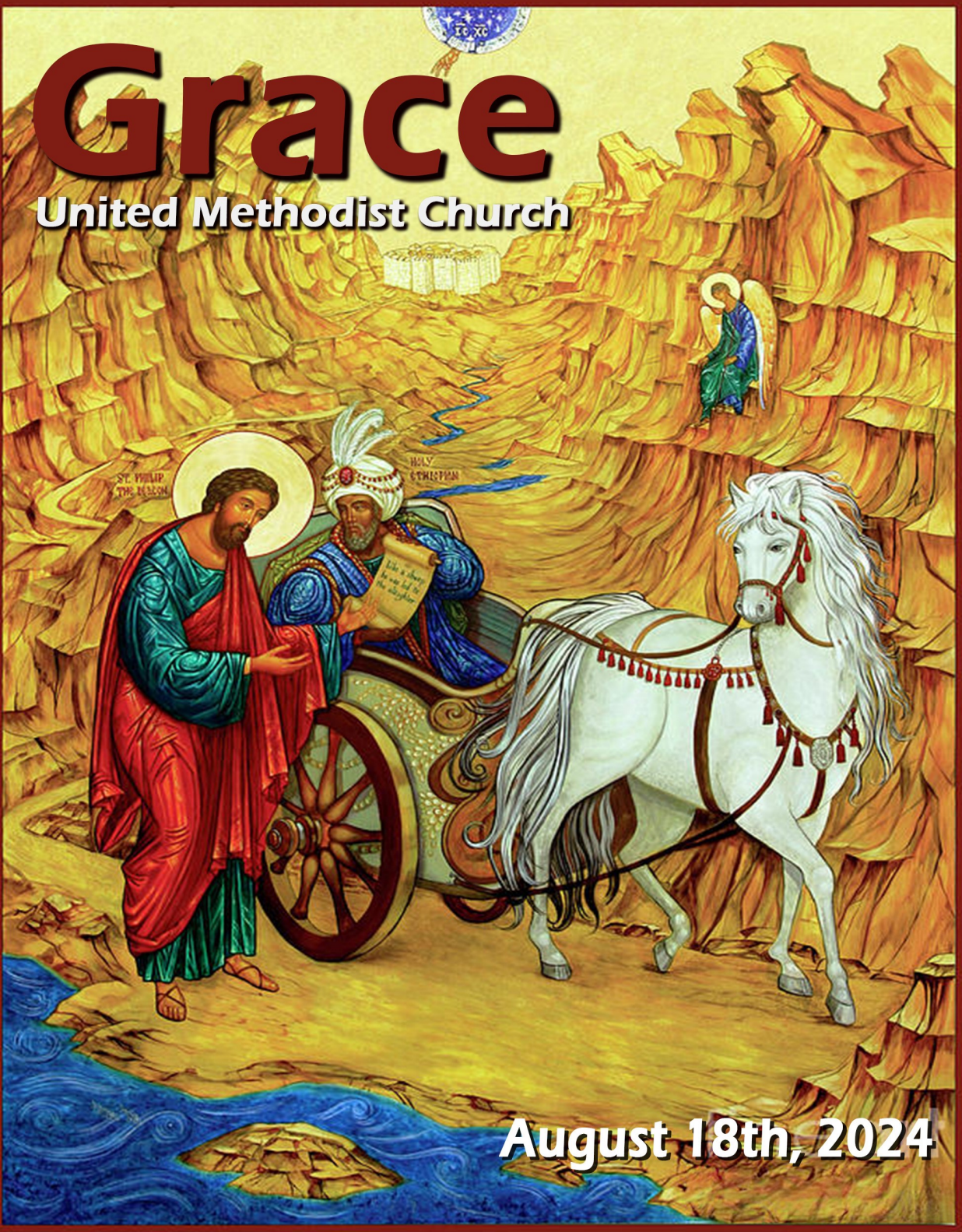
6:00 pm TOPS - Parlor

Friday, August 23

6:30 pm NA - #3

Sunday, August 25

10:45 am Worship



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