NEW HERE?

WELCOME
Thanks for worshipping with us today!
Help us get to know you–please consider filling out a Connect Card (in the back of the pew in front of you) and place it in the offering plate.

HELPFUL NOTES FOR PARENTS
Infants are welcome in the sanctuary during the worship service to participate as they are able. We also have a Parents' Room (Parlor–A4) located just off of the sanctuary where you can watch and hear the service in a comfortable, private setting. Infant and toddler care is also offered by trained volunteers in the Nursery (room C11).

2–5 Year–Olds | Activities are available for 2 & 3 year-olds (D21) and 4 & 5 year-olds (C19) during the worship service

K-Grade 6 | Join us for Kids' Own Worship
Children will be invited to exit the sanctuary at the beginning of the sermon. A teacher will meet them outside the sanctuary doors and walk them to their classroom (D20-22 and D25).

Worship Activity Bags with pencils, crayons, and activity pages for all age levels are available in the back of the sanctuary.

WELCOME CENTERS
Located near our main entrances, staffed by friendly greeters, these spaces offer helpful information for guests and members.

WEBSITE *granthamchurch.org*
Visit our website for information about our ministries, upcoming events, and access to our multiple giving avenues.

EMAIL FROM THE PASTOR & THE BODY LIFE
All church events, news, and announcements are available in our weekly email. If you would like to receive it, sign-up on our website (*granthamchurch.org/contact*).

QUESTIONS?
Ask an usher or greeter located in the back of the sanctuary and the welcome centers. They will be happy to serve you!

GRANTHAM CARE TEAMS
Do you have a specific need that we can help meet? Would you like to join and help assist one of our care teams? To share a need or find out more, visit our website (*granthamchurch.org/care-teams*).

NOTES

FOLLOW US **GRANTHAMCHURCH.ORG**

OFFICE HOURS | MON–THURS from 9AM–5PM | 717-766-0531

Welcome to

GRANTHAM CHURCH

We're glad you're here!

Grantham Church
BRETHREN IN CHRIST

October 13, 2024

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Today is the twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE ..... *The Kingdom of Jesus* | Worship Team

GATHERING

Crown Him with Many Crowns

And Can It Be (#115)

Colossians 1:15-20

Thy Mercy My God

Prayers of the People ..... Pastor David Perry

Lord's Prayer

Our Gifts at Work ..... Pastor Denise Fogelsanger

Offering ..... *Is He Worthy?* | Choir

HEARING THE WORD

Sermon ..... Pastor David Flowers

RESPONDING

King of Kings

SENDING

Benediction

POSTLUDE ..... Brass

SERMON *granthamchurch.org/sermons*

Political But Not Partisan

EXODUS 20:3, 23
MATTHEW 4:1-11; 10:1-4
EPHESIANS 6:10-12

The gospel doesn't fit neatly into our political categories. Jesus is not a cheerleader for any political party. And he didn't fully align himself with any party in his own day. Rather, Jesus intentionally chose a politically diverse group of disciples and said, "Follow me." What does this mean for how we are called to live out our faith and conduct ourselves politically? In the second message of our series, Pastor David invites us to repent of political idolatry, resist the partisan mind, and faithfully follow Jesus.

JESUS, JUSTICE & THE THIRD WAY *current sermon series*
We are in the final stretch leading up to yet another polarizing and contentious presidential election in the US. Where is the release valve for all the animosity, hate, and violence that has been growing in our country toward our political opponents? How can we turn away from the extremes and move toward hope, healing, and a better tomorrow? And according to Jesus, how can the Church be ministers of reconciliation to help curb injustice, political idolatry, and division? In this series we will reflect on the political nature of the gospel and how we are to pledge allegiance to the Lamb—not the donkey or the elephant. We will examine Jesus' approach to political matters and see how he dealt with political parties, hot-button issues, and the "partisan mind" that fuels division. Let us consider what it looks like to follow the Lamb in an age of idolatry and division, so that we might be faithful to Christ and our calling until he returns.

WORSHIP RESOURCES

WANT TO JOIN A SMALL GROUP?
If you are interested in joining with others to share life and dive deeper into the sermon and what it means for our lives, go to our website to learn more about getting connected (***granthamchurch.org/small-groups***).

SERMON RESOURCES ***granthamchurch.org/sermons***
Sermons are posted online every Monday along with small group discussion questions and other sermon resources (e.g. sermon slides, sermon audio, service video, etc.).

Subscribe to the Grantham Church Podcast!

EVENTS *granthamchurch.org/events*

TODAY

Youth Group 6PM

THIS WEEK

The After Party ..... MON, OCT 14, 6PM
Community Arts Project ..... THU, OCT 17, 3-5 & 6-8PM
Men's Bible Study ..... FRI, OCT 18, 6:45AM
Sing & Play ..... FRI, OCT 18, 9:30AM or 10:30AM

NEXT SUNDAY Oct 20

Learning Communities 9AM
Children's Choir 10-10:20AM
Worship Service 10:30AM
Kids Own Worship 11AM
Fellowship Meal ..... after service
Lunch & Learn: Keystone Family Alliance 12PM
Handbell Choir Rehearsal 12PM
Youth Group 6PM

SAVE THE DATE

Trunks & Treats ..... SUN, OCT 27, 5:30PM
Election Week Taizé Service ..... SUN, NOV 3, 7PM
Together on the Journey: Mechanicsburg ..... MON, NOV 11, 6:30PM

STAFF *granthamchurch.org/staff*

David Flowers ..... *senior pastor*
Melissa Lowther ..... *discipleship pastor*
David Perry ..... *worship arts pastor*
Denise Fogelsanger ..... *children's pastor*
Chrissy Hoffner ..... *youth coordinator*
Linda Worman ..... *office administrator*
Cate Lewis ..... *communications*
Mike Ryan ..... *head custodian*

GIVING & ATTENDANCE

GENERAL FUND GIVING

Year to Date Budget $659,715
Year to Date Giving $649,720

LAST WEEK

Giving $16, 247
Attendance 344