

Order of worship

June 3, 2018

10:00 am

MORNING MEDITATION

Greater love has no better example, than Jesus laying down his life for his friends. Jesus said, You are my friends. I no longer call you servants, because you know the master's business. This is my command to you. Love each other through me." John15:13,15,17

PRELUDE

OPENING WORDS

***CALL TO WORSHIP

Joe DeGrande

Leader: As we enter into Worship this morning, let us hear the loving voice of the Lord within us.

People: Gather us, to listen and to sing and to celebrate the life that we are given through your grace.

Leader: Strengthen us to receive and share your gifts freely with others around us and throughout the world.

People: May your Spirit come into us. Fill us with love, dear God. Let us worship, then with joy and happiness.

***OPENING HYMN " "

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INVOCATION

Joe DeGrande

Leader: O Lord, let our hearts and minds open, so that you might bless us,

People: Come into our presence, Lord, so that we can see the wonderful works that you do among us.

Leader: Grant us your grace and forgiveness, for we are but human.

People: Instill in us the knowledge and appreciation of your love that binds us together.

Leader: Be a part of our lives, mold us, and meld us into disciples that love and tend to one another.

People: May we live in your Light and be guided through the Holy Spirit.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION [Book of Common Prayer] Rev. David F. Hurst

Leader: Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

People: We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended and broken your commandments.

Leader: We have left undone those things that we ought to have done, and we have done things that we ought not to have done.

People: Have mercy upon us, O Lord, forgive us our sins, as we confess our faults, according to the promises of Christ Jesus, our Savior. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of your Son, who appears in the most unlikely of places. Strengthen us, to follow your teachings and receive your blessing of

forgiveness with the sincerity to follow through with making amends. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! **People: Thanks be to God**

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE

(Please be seated when music begins)

Psalter Reading: Psalm 139 UMH p854

Dot Lambert

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. David F. Hurst

Pastoral Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

***Response "Glory Be to the Father"

"Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen"

Scripture Reading - First Lesson "Mark 2:23 - 3:6"

Dot Lambert

(chair Bible NT pg. 36-37)

***HYMN OF PREPARATION "" UMH

Scripture Reading - Second Lesson 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

Rev. David F. Hurst

(chair Bible NT pg. 180-181)

Sermon: "Christ is the Center "

Rev. David F. Hurst

Ministry of Giving

***Doxology

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God the source of all gifts; Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts Praise the Spirit! Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

Prayer of Dedication

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

We celebrate an open Communion Table - All are welcome at the Lord's Table

(Please be seating following the singing of hymn)

Communion Steward - Joe DeGrande

BENEDICTION

Leader: Tender God embrace us with your love, grants us peace and comfort

People: Through the ages your voice has told us, "Fear Not." So whisper it again in our ears, Write it on our hearts, the words. "This is my command to you. Love each other."

Amen

POSTLUDE

Altar Flowers this morning are in honor of Art Cooper's Birthday on June 2nd.

Meetings - Week of June 3rd - No meetings scheduled

Sunday, June 3rd - Worship 10:00am

**Today is the last Sunday for donations for Grove St. Inn.

Please leave your donation in the box on the Table of Opportunity.

**Saturday, June 9th - Trinity UMC in Springfield - information gathering at 9:30am for information the Way Forward Committee is recommending to the Special General Conference - SEE INSERT

Meetings - Week of June 10th -

Sunday, June 10th - Worship -10:00am

Monday, June 11th - Finance / Trustees - 6:30pm

Meetings - Week of June 17th - No meetings scheduled

Sunday, June 17th - Deadline for July and August Newsletter

(information needed from all chairpersons and CUMC members)

Meetings - Week of June 24th

Sunday, June 24th - Worship - 10:00am

Wednesday, June 27th - Church Council Mtg. 6:30pm

(all members of CUMC should plan to attend this always informational meeting.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY JUNE 10th - FAMILY SUNDAY!!! - SEE INSERT

Immediately following the morning service - we will gather at Altar area for a updated group photo. Following the photo we will congregate in Lilly Fellowship Hall for a cookout and make your own Sundaes.

SUNDAY, JUNE 17th - EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION

Caitlin Oelrich and Deborah Hackett

**REMINDER: Any information for announcements that needs to be made at the end of church service needs to be emailed to the church for Rev. David to announce. If you would like to do the announcement yourself, please notify the church office with the information and a time will be set aside during the service for your announcement. email and phone # listed be below.

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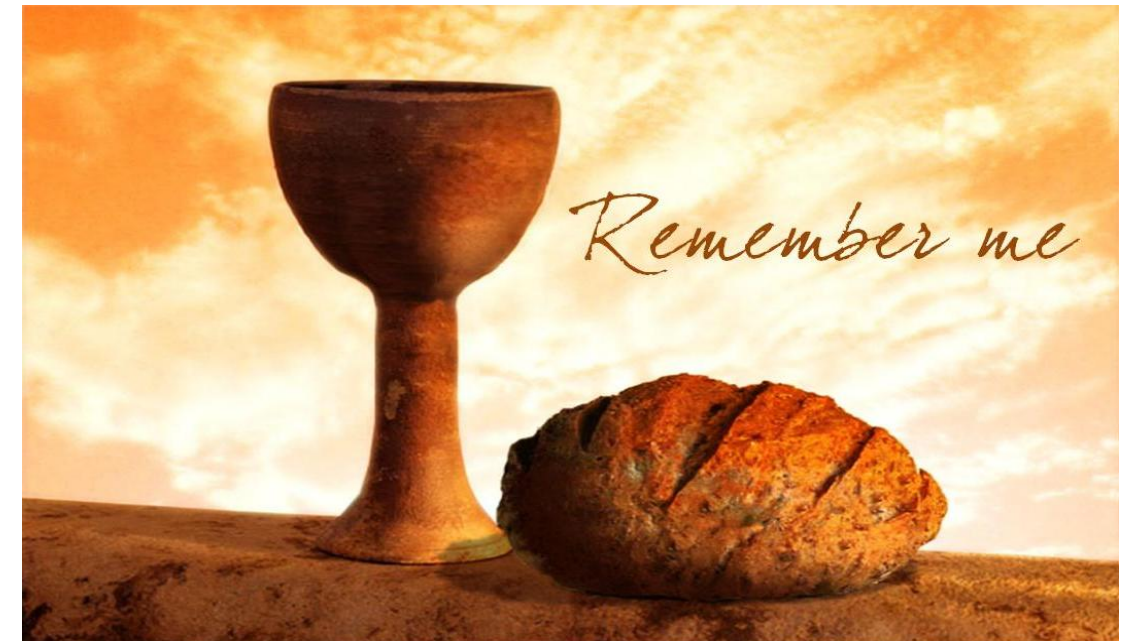
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"OPEN HEARTS, "OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS"

Sunday Morning Worship

June 3, 2018

Holy Communion



"Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ and to fulfill God's will for the transformation of the world through spiritual growth, education, worship and fellowship. We express our faith through others." We welcome you to join us in this our journey!