

Order of worship

July 15, 2018

10:00am

*** indicates to stand

MORNING MEDITATION (Please be in silent prayer / meditation upon entering the sanctuary)

"I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that they may be children of the God in heaven; for he makes the sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. Matthew 5:44-45

PRELUDE

OPENING WORDS

Joe DeGrande

***CALL TO WORSHIP [based on Psalm 24]

Leader: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it!

People: For God has founded it on the seas and established it upon the rivers.

Leader: Let us to be glad, let us worship together and stand in this holy place!

People: Let us come to you Lord with pure hearts and to turn away from what is false.

Leader: So that we might receive your blessing and your joyous salvation.

People: Let us pray and sing together this day, for we are in the company of those who seek Him.

Let's open our hearts and respond to God's love and grace.

***OPENING HYMN: "God of Grace and God of Glory"

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INVOCATION

Joe DeGrande

Leader: O Lord, we are lost without your presence in our lives.

People: We seek your guidance, and that strength that endures through all calamity and loss.

Leader: We call to you; we knock upon the door of the Kingdom. We beseech you to let us come inside.

People: We come to you to discover you in our midst, in our souls. Thank you for never abandoning us. We know that in all that we experience, and in all that we you remain the source of our love and salvation.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. David F. Hurst

Leader: O Lord, open our hearts and minds to see beyond ourselves.

People: Help us to believe in God; accepting who we are, rather than denying our motives, character defects or our sins.

Leader: Through your love and assurance help us to be realize where we are wrong and make amends quickly and wherever possible.

People: O God as we go deep and become vulnerable to our own weakness and suffering, grant us the courage to persevere and live in faith and abide in your precious love. Help to understand our lack of faith and to stay humble in this world of temptation and instant gratification.

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

Eduardo and Children

Psalter Reading: Psalm 24 (Red Hymnal pg. 757)

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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: 2 Samuel 6: 1-5

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(chair Bible OT pg. 280)

***Hymn of Preparation: "Blessed Assurance"

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Scripture Reading Second Lesson: Mark 6:14-29

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(chair Bible NT pg. 40-41)

Sermon: "Dealing with Loss"

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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 our gifts; Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts, Praise the Spirit! Holy

Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication

***PARTING HYMN: "To God Be The Glory"

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(please be seated following singing of hymn)

BENEDICTION

Leader: In all that there is to celebrate or to worry about; God yearns to bless us. God seeks to heal and redeem us! God is present always!

People: So let us rejoice and receive God's love. Let us go into the world and be a church that shares the message of God's grace with all those whom we encounter!

POSTLUDE

Altar Flowers this morning are in honor of Judy Cooper's Birthday given by Art.

Schedule for this week of July 15th.

Today - Sunday, July 15th - Worship Service 10am
Bible Study / Pastor's Office 11:30am
Monday, July 17th - Finance/Trustee Mtg. 6:30pm
Wednesday, July 18th - Church Office Open 9am - 2pm

Schedule for week of July 22nd.

Sunday, July 22nd - Worship Service 10am
Wednesday, July 25th - Church Office Open 9am - 2pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Needed Offering Counters: It is imperative that we have three additional offering counters on Sunday Mornings. If anyone is interested, please let Pam know. It takes approx. 30 minutes on a Sunday Morning.

Upper Room Books can be found on the 'Table of Opportunity'. Please feel free to take a copy.

MISSIONS

Operation Christmas Child: Items needed are on the clothesline located in the sanctuary. Please take a card or two. Donations accepted through Sunday, July 29th. Donation box is located on the 'Table of Opportunity'.

School Backpacks: This year we will be accepting donations of just school backpacks for preschool thru high school children in the Easthampton area. Donations will be accepted Sunday, August 5th thru Sunday, August 19th. A donation box will be located on the 'Table of Opportunity' during these three weeks of August.

Rochelle is looking for 4 / 5 shoe boxes - slightly larger than a regular shoe box. If anyone has one, please bring in and place it in the "Operation Christmas Child" box.

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CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"OPEN HEARTS, "OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS"

SUNDAY, JULY 15, 2018

WORSHIP SERVICE 10:00AM



Rev. David F.Hurst, Pastor
Music Director, Pam Kukucka

*"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.*