

Order of worship

October 14, 2018

10:00 am

(Please enter the Sanctuary in quite prayer / meditation)

MORNING MEDITATION

“Doubt is a wonderful thing. It is where you drop the beliefs of others and begin to believe yourself”
Joan Chicister, Benedictine Sister

OPENING GREETING

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***CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us come together and open our hearts to God.

People: We come here, seeking God's love. We come to be energized; to be filled again with hope and assurance that there is something ourselves that guides us through the trials of living.

Leader: Let us lay aside what hinders us from worshiping God. Let us open hearts and be willing to accept Christ's love in our lives.

People: For the Holy Spirit calls us to serve God, to attend to each other in loving and caring ways while taking cares of ourselves as well.

Leader: Let us pray, sing and listen to God's Word to discover his grace within ourselves.

People: Let us be renewed together! Let us be filled with the Spirit and make a joyful noise unto the Lord.

***OPENING HYMN

"We Sing to You, O God"

FWS # 2001

INVOCATION

[in unison]

Dot Lambert

O Holy God, in the silence of the moment, you call us by name. Lift our weary and under-nourished spirits. Deepen our ever-questioning and ever- challenged faith. Give us eyes to see your blessings all around us. For you, dear Lord, are the giver of peace and serenity. Open us to see the real joys of our lives. Create in us the desire to serve and to forgive each other. In the stillness of our prayers whisper to us your unconditional love which we cannot deny or push away. Thank you, O precious God, for always being there for us.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. David F. Hurst

Leader: O Lord, we come together in peace and safety to pray to you and relate to you our fears, anxiety and weakness.

People: Forgive us when we omit the words that will heal another. Forgive us when we add the words that hurt or produce the desire to get even.

Leader: Help us to see the true nature of our motives, our impatience and our unwillingness to see ourselves as we are.

People: Teach us not to be so defensive, to not make assumptions or take things personally. Forgive us. O Holy son of God that we might walk with you in body, mind and spirit.

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 sincerity and deepening faith. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE

*** CHILDRENS TIME

PSALTER READING: Psalm 91 pg. 810-811 (Red Hymnal)

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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 - Mark 10:17-31

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(Chair Bible NT pg. 46)

*****Hymn of Preparation "Freely, Freely"**

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Scripture Reading:Second Lesson - Job 23:1-9, 16-17

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(Chair Bible OT pg. 471, 472)

SERMON 'Fear Not, God is With Us'

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

*****PARTING HYMN: "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"**

UMH # 569

BENEDICTION

Leader: May the God who can thread a camel through a needle; work in our hearts.

People: May God's blessing be woven through our days. Remember to love one another. To be kind, to be generous and to know that in no uncertain terms that we live in God's grace.

POSTLUDE

Altar Flowers are given by Lois Bailey in memory of Tony Gutowski

Last Sunday's attendance was 23 adults

Schedule for Week of October 14th

Sunday October 14th - Shelter Sunday, Morning Worship 10:00am

Bible Study - Pastor's Office 11:30am

Monday, October 15th - Mission Mtg. 3:30pm

Wednesday, October 16th - Office Hours 9am - 1:30pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On Sundays October 21st and 28th Annual Giving pledge cards for 2019 will be available. Please take this opportunity to fill out the card, place it in the envelope and drop in the offering plate. This is a taxable contribution. Please give generously so that we may continue to serve our Lord.

SHELTER SUNDAY IS TODAY Enclosed with your bulletin this morning is a short outline of how proceeds from donations help the Northampton Community. Please take the time to read this. This is a taxable donation. Envelopes are available on the usher's table.

ALTAR FLOWERS

There is still time and empty Sundays available if you wish to sign up for Altar Flowers.

PASTOR VACATION

Pastor David will be on vacation from Monday, October 15th through Tuesday, October 23rd. Please call Pam (527-5418) if you have any emergency need.

FAIR NEWS

Our Holiday Fair is only 5 weeks away.

Friday, November 15th and Saturday, November 16th

GET READY!!

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CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"OPEN HEARTS, "OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS"

Morning Worship 10:00am

Sunday, October 14, 2018



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