

**Order of Worship**  
November 3, 2019 10:00am  
Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost  
Communion Sunday  
\*\*\*\**indicates to stand if able*

**MORNING MEDITATION**

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of heavenly Lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. James 1: 17

**PRELUDE:** 'Sonata in A Major: Largo appassionato'

Nadine Shank

**WORDS OF WELCOME**

\*\*\*\***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Joe DeGrande

*Leader:* Sing to the Lord a new song!

**People: God calls us to proclaim the good news to the poor and has sent us to bind up the brokenhearted.**

*Leader:* Sing to the Lord a new song!

**People: God calls us to be part of community; to help others and to create a place of peace, love and friendship to welcome the stranger.**

*Leader:* Sing to the Lord a new song!

**People: God calls us to open our hearts, to be eager to serve and to find joy and diversity in our church.**

*Leader:* Sing to the Lord a new song! God showers us with amazing grace; so let us embrace God's love and be a part of his Kingdom.

**OPENING HYMN: "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"**

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**INVOCATION**

Joe DeGrande

*Leader:* O dear and almighty God we gather together to remember and to celebrate our church; so that it might be a vital, current part of the world

**People: When we remember those who have gone before us and those whose spirit is still present within our midst, come into our hearts this morning.**

*Leader:* O Gracious God, grant us serenity and peace. Open us a sense of community and an understanding that we are part of a greater good.

**People: Instill in us the truth that sharing means a greater levels of receiving and that all that we give comes back through the grace of our lord Jesus Christ.**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Rev. David F. Hurst

*Leader:* O Lord, turn us away from temptation and sin. Forgive us when we stray or find the easy way out of difficult situations.

**People: Help us to keep your commandments of love and faith. We know, O God, we are human. We err. We do thing for the wrong motives and we become apathetic when our way is not followed.**

*Leader:* Open us to be dependent upon your will, so that we take life as it comes, not

trying to control others or the outcome of every situation.

**People: May we find peace and ease in God's love through Christ; so that through his sacrifice we will love and care for one another and understand how important honesty and right action is for our souls.**

**PRAYER OF ASSURANCE**

Almighty God, who is great in mercy and promises forgiveness of sin to all who repent and are sincere in faith, have mercy on us. Pardon and deliver us from all sin, confirm and strengthen us, and bring us to everlasting life. **People: Thanks, be to God.**

\*\*\* **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**CHILDREN'S STORY**

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** 'Consolation' by Franz Liszt

Nadine Shank

**PSALTER READING:** Psalm 119 (Red Hymnal Pg. 841-842)

Joe DeGrande

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Rev. David F. Hurst

Pastoral Prayers

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer

\*\*\***Response "Glory Be to the Father"**

**SCRIPTURE READING/First Lesson: Isaiah 1:10-18**

Joe DeGrande

(Pew Bible Old Testament pg. 630-631)

\*\*\***HYMN OF PREPARATION: 'Be Thou My Vision'**

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**SCRIPTURE READING/Second Lesson: Luke 19:1-10**

Rev. David F. Hurst

(Pew Bible New Testament pg. 82)

**SERMON: "Getting Generous"**

Rev. David F. Hurst

**THANKSGIVING AND HOLY COMMUNION**

(Red Hymnal pgs 15-16)

**We celebrate an open Communion Table – All are welcome at the Lord's Table!**

**MINISTRY OF GIVING:** 'David's Prayer' by Michael Costa

Nadine Shank

\*\*\***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: 'O Jesus, I Have Promised'**

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**BENEDICTION**

*Leader:* Sisters and brothers, by God's mercy, go live your lives each day walking in faith and knowing that Christ is in your heart.

**People:** Help us to find our way, O Lord. Give a sense of who we and how God has blessed us. Help us to share that love and strength with all whom we encounter.

**POSTLUDE: 'Toccata in C' by Carlos Seixas** **Nadine Shank**

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Attendance for Sunday, October 27th - Adults 33

**WEEKLY HAPPENINGS - Week of November 3rd** 10:00am

Sunday, November 3rd - Morning Worship (Communion)  
Fellowship time in Library following service

Wednesday, November 6th - Office Hours: 9:00am - 1:30pm  
November 6th - Mutual Ministry Meeting (open to anyone) 1:00pm  
Thursday, November 7th - Finance/Trustee Meeting 6:30pm

**Note:** This is the last week to get your Fair Projects and Baking Completed!!!  
Cookies need to be brought to church no later than next Sunday, November 10th.  
Fair Flyers are available on the 'Table of Opportunity'. Please take one if you if you have a location to display it.

**WEEKLY HAPPENINGS - Week of November 10th**

Sunday, November 10th - Morning Worship 10:00am  
Fellowship time in Library following service  
Bible Study (Pastor's Office) 11:30am  
Wednesday, November 13th - Worship Committee Meeting 1:00pm

**FAIR WEEK!!!! Ready, Set, Go!!**

Sunday, November 10th - pick up your yard sign when you come to church!  
Wednesday, November 13th and Thursday, November 14th  
Fellowship Hall Open for Crafters to arrange their items  
Friday, November 15th - Opening of Fair 4 - 8pm  
Saturday, November 16th - Fair 9am - 2pm

**BUSTAMANTE** - There are a few donation envelopes available on Ushers Table.

**FUTURE EVENT: LIVE NATIVITY, DECEMBER 15TH 4 - 6PM**

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**CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

***"OPEN HEARTS, "OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS"***

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2019  
WORSHIP SERVICE 10:00AM  
SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**



**Rev. David F. Hurst, Pastor**  
Nadine Shank, Organist

*"Our mission is to become disciples of Jesus Christ and to fulfill God's will through spiritual Growth, Education, Worship and Fellowship. We express Faith through service to others."*

*"We welcome you to join us in this our Journey"*