

Order of Worship

November 11, 2018

10:00am

MORNING MEDITATION *(Please be seated as you enter the Sanctuary in quite prayer.)*

"I was gratified to be able to answer promptly, and I did. I said I didn't know."

Mark Twain

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP [based on Psalm 118]

Carolyn Burrows

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made!

People: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow!"

Leader: "You are my God, and I will give thanks to you."

People: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow!"

Leader: May God bless us and keep us safe, as we journey through life.

People: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow!"

Leader: O Lord, strengthen us. Open our hearts; so that we are able to risk loving and living together.

ALL: O give thanks to God, for he is good, his love endures forever!

***OPENING HYMN "Love Devine"

UMH # 384

INVOCATION

Carolyn Burrows

Leader: O Lord, our Provider and Counselor, come into our presence this morning.

People: Breathe your Spirit into us so that we draw back from our busy weeks and allow ourselves be renewed in your love and tenderness.

Leader: All our energy and confidence comes from you, O God. So give us pause to see and hear your works that are all around us.

People: Let us center our hopes and desires in your grace. Let us praise You, O Holy God and be grounded in your love.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION [in unison]

Rev. David F. Hurst

People: O God, you are holy and loving and we are glad to be your people., but we know that we do not always act like it. Forgive us, O Lord for the hurts we have caused others. Forgive us our neediness when we have taken more than we have needed. Forgive us when we have acted as if you do not matter in our lives. Open our hearts to your love in word and deed. Free us from the illusion of innocence and grant us our salvation and your peace. AMEN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. David F. Hurst

Hebrews 9 tells us that, in Jesus Christ, our consciences are washed clean of dead works in order to serve a living God. Jesus Christ offered himself to God through the eternal Spirit as a sacrifice without flaw. In Jesus we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S TIME

Eduardo and

Children

PSALTER READING: Psalm 126 (Red Hymnal - pg. 847)

Carolyn Burrows

JOYS AND CONCERNS

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Pastoral Prayers:

The Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

***Response "Glory Be to the Father"

"Glory is 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 1 Kings 17:6-16

Carolyn Burrows

(Chair Bible OT pg. 324)

***HYMN OF PREPARATION " Faith of Our Fathers"

UMH # 710

SCRIPTURE READING: Second Lesson Mark 12: 38-44

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(Chair Bible NT pg. 49-50)

SERMON: "Humility is the Key"

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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: "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

UMH # 133

(Please be seated following singing of hymn)

BENEDICTION

Leader: Go in peace, knowing that you have been forgiven!

People: May God's strength protect us,, may God's peace and serenity be with us and may we live knowing that the Spirit of God is within us all.

POSTLUDE

Altar Flowers this morning are given by Rev. Lois Bailey in honor of all 'Saints'.
Last Sunday's attendance was: Adults Children

Meetings / Gatherings week of November 11th

Sunday, November 11th - Morning Worship 10:00am
Bible Study-Pastor's Office 11:30am

Wednesday, November 14th - Office Hours 9am - 2pm

Wednesday, November 14th - Worship Mtg. 1pm

Thursday, November 15th - Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm

Friday, November 16th - Holiday Fair 4pm - 8pm

Saturday, November 17th - Holiday Fair 9am - 2pm

Meetings Gatherings week of November 18th

Sunday, November 18th - Morning Worship 10:00am
Bible Study-Pastor's Office 11:30am

Monday, November 19th - Cot Shelter Meal

Wednesday, November 20th - Office Hours 9am - 2pm

Thursday, November 21st - THANKSGIVING

THANKSGIVING SUNDAY November 18th - The Worship Committee is asking everyone to donate a non-parishable food item for the Survival Center. Please bring your food item into worship with you as there will be a special time for all items to be brought forward.

COT SHELTER - If you can provide a food item or help for the Cot Shelter meal on Monday, November 19th please sign up this morning during Fellowship Time.

UMW Student Snack Boxes - Items are still needed - Next Sunday, the 18th, if your last chance to donate. Drop box is on 'Table of Opportunity'. Pens, pencils, post-it notes, tea bags, coffee singles, popcorn, power bars, instant cocoa are a few ideas.

ADVENT READERS needed for each Sunday of Advent beginning December 2nd and also for Christmas Eve. If you are interested, please sign up during Fellowship time.

THE GIVING TREE - Look for information in next weeks' bulletin.

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CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"OPEN HEARTS, "OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS"

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 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!



HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

SHOP UNTIL YOUR DROP!!

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH 4 - 8PM
SHOP AND HAVE DINNER
AMERICAN GOULASH WITH DESSERTS**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH 9AM - 2PM
SHOP AND HAVE LUNCH
DELICIOUS SOUPS / SANDWICHES
DESSERTS**

**CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS / KIDS CORNER
FOOD TABLE / HANDMADE ITEMS
CANNED GOODS / WOODEN ITEMS
LOG BOXES AND MUCH MORE!**

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**TABLES MAY BE DECORATED ON
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH AND
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH.
FRIDAY MORNING 11/16 - FINAL TOUCHES**