

FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, November 18, 2018

8:30 am Worship Service



THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

November 18, 2018 8:30 a.m.

Thanksgiving Sunday is the Sunday before Thanksgiving Day – a national holiday set apart for giving thanks to God. The lesson for this Sunday in worship is the importance of giving thanks to God for the mercy we have received.

Words of Greeting, Announcements, Joys, Concerns, and Prayer

Prelude

You are asked to fill in the requested information and then pass to the next person the attendance registration pad found in each pew for that person to fill out.

*Call to Worship

L: By faith, God makes us whole. With thanksgiving, we witness to God's wonderful work in our lives.

P: We believe God touches our lives with many blessings. But our thanksgiving has not been as audible as it should be.

L: When Jesus healed ten lepers, only one returned to thank Him. Which of the ten lepers is most convincing to you?

P: The thankful one. May the thankfulness of our hearts come to our lips and convince others of what God has done for us.

*Opening Praise:

UMH 67

"We, Thy People, Praise Thee"

UMH 694

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

UMH 131

"We Gather Together"

*Thanksgiving Litany

L: Let us give thanks for all God's Gifts so freely bestowed upon us: For the beauty and wonder of God's creation, in earth and sky and sea;

P: For all that is gracious in the lives of people, revealing the image of Christ;

L: For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends;

P: For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve;

L: For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play;

P: For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity.

**Please rise either in posture or in spirit.*

L: For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice;

P: For the communion of saints, in all times and places.

L: Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Jesus Christ our Lord.

P: To Jesus Christ be praise and glory, with you, O God, now and forever. Amen.

Blessing of the Prayer Shawls

The Gathering of our Tithes, Gifts, and Offerings

The Offertory

*Response: "Give Thanks"

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One,

Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.

And now let the weak say, 'I am strong;' Let the poor say, 'I am rich,

Because of what the Lord has done for us.' Give thanks!

*Prayer of Dedication & Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

***Song of Preparation:** UMH 92 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Scripture: Luke 17:11-19 (*New Testament Page 75 in your pew Bible*)

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Message: "The Value of Gratitude" – Rev. Thomas E. Young, Jr.

Prayer

***Closing Song:** UMH 139 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

***Sending Forth with God's Blessing**

***Response:** UMH 63 "Blessed Be the Name"

***Postlude**

The flowers on the altar tables are given in celebration of Tabitha Dean's Thanksgiving Day birthday by Scott, Bonnie, Leanna & Jenna

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The rose buds on the Communion Table are in honor of the births of Bill and Judy Gross' newest Grandchildren. Estelle Elizabeth Demarest, parents Michael and Becky and brother Owen, was born July 1st. Brooks Aaron Cooper was born August 22nd, his parents are Caroline and Jonathan

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OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our Prayers: Eileen Klase whose mother passed away this past week, The family of Jane Bowman who passed away last week, Tim Perry (father of VIP Megan Perry) diagnosed with brain cancer, Elizabeth Butler recovering from surgery, The family of Thomas Lyons who recently passed away, Kathy Thorne, Sherry Fowler Harwood recovering from surgery, Kathy Wallace, Buddy Frost – diagnosed with dementia, Debbie Shefka & family, Bonnie Gillikin recovering from surgery, Tyler Madden, People in transition, Olivia Gammel – friend of Chris Heyer, Those who travel, For the healing of the nation.

Our Service:

Ministers

Secretary

Music Team

Children & Youth Ministry Coord.

Custodian

Counters

8:30 Ushers

Acolyte

Friendship Time

Altar Guild for November

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