

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost, World Communion Sunday

October 1, 2017 11:00 am

"God is spirit, and His worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24)

Prelude **"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"** (arr. Prentiss) Sandy Griese
Welcome and announcements

*Call to Worship

L: Jesus has called us here this day.

P: We are one in the Spirit of the Lord!

L: Rejoice in the goodness of God.

P: Praise God for God's steadfast love for us.

L: Come, now is the time to worship.

P: Now is the time of healing, restoration, and hope. Amen.

***Opening Hymn** **"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"**

UMH 127

Lighting of the Candles

***Opening Prayer** (in unison)

"Lord, we gather with Christians all around the world to receive Your nourishing words of hope and peace. Be with us as we seek Your will and wisdom. Amen."

Children's Message

Hymn Response **"On Eagle's Wings"**

UMH 143

Prayer of Petition (in unison)

"Loving God, we come this day to worship with so many things on our hearts and minds. We are drawn away by problems and cares. Heal our spirits. Open our hearts. Help us be Your disciples. Amen."

Hebrew Scripture **Exodus** **17:1-7** Anne Stewart

Epistle Lesson **Philippians** **2:1-16**

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

P: Thanks be to God. Amen.

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

*Hymn of Faith

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

UMH 361

Message:

"Is the Lord among Us?" Rev. Wayne Chung
When things get tough, it is easy to doubt, blame, and grumble. What is the evidence of God's presence among us? *"Do everything without complaining and arguing."*

Giving in Response to God's Love

Offertory **"Interlude" (Hayes)**

Sandy Griese

HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving-The Lord's Prayer-Sharing of the Bread and Cup **UMH 15-16**
Communion Hymns: **UMH 618 Let Us Break Bread Together, 620 One Bread, One Body, 363 And Can It Be that I Should Gain**

Pastoral Prayer

***Closing Hymn** **"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"**

UMH 731

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

***Hymn Response** **"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (vs. 1)**

UMH 557

Postlude **"Praise Him with Trumpets" (Blake)**

Sandy Griese

Lecture Reading for Following Sunday

Exod. 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 Psalm 19 Phil. 3:4b-14 Matt. 21:33-46

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The altar flowers today are given in celebration of the 59th wedding anniversary of Margaret & Franklin Revelle on October 18th

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OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our Prayers: Linda Thompson, Franklin Revelle, The victims and rescue workers of Hurricanes, Gren Springer – friend of Cheryl Castner, Elizabeth Stinson, Bob & Van King, Tyler Madden, People in transition, Olivia Gammel – friend of Chris Heyer, Sarah Stallings, Jerome Stallings, Shirley Wood, Carl Stallings, Sr., Family and friends of Laura Wallen, Those who travel, For the healing of the nation, Texas and Florida

Our Presence:

Worship Attendance Last Sunday	239
Average Weekly Attendance	187
Sunday School Attendance Last Sunday	67

Our Gifts: Please strive to tithe! The Bible asks us to tithe 10% of our income to God. Many of our members are doing this already. How about you? You may give your offering electronically (EFT). Call the church office to set it up. *Stewardship is rather a way of life than an annual campaign. Thank You for your faithful stewardship!*

Record of Giving (Funds Received by the Church)

	January-August 2017			
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %
General Fund	\$254,960	\$245,220	\$9,740	4%
Missions Fund	\$16,442	\$14,648	\$1,794	12%
P&I Fund	\$11,646	\$12,000	(\$354)	-3%
Building Fund	\$44,664	\$44,000	\$664	2%
Kitchen Fund	\$3,925	\$16,000	(\$12,075)	-75%
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal 224	Other 3	YTD Cereal 1286	

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$116,836 as of August 31, 2017

Mortgage Loan Balance = \$367,695 as of August 31, 2017

Service:

Ministers	All Members and Volunteers at Friendship
Secretary	Bonnie Dean bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org
Music Team	Sandy Melson Griese, Holly Reynolds Lee, Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley
Children & Youth Ministry Coord.	Courtney Eversfield cymc@friendshipmethodist.org
Custodian	Jim Fowler
Ushers	Richard Chaney & Wheeler Green
Altar Guild for October	Renee Knopp (443-623-3796)
Friendship Hour	Bethel Zone (Joan Windland)
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Pastor	Wayne Chung 443.646.5653 leadpastor@friendshipmethodist.org

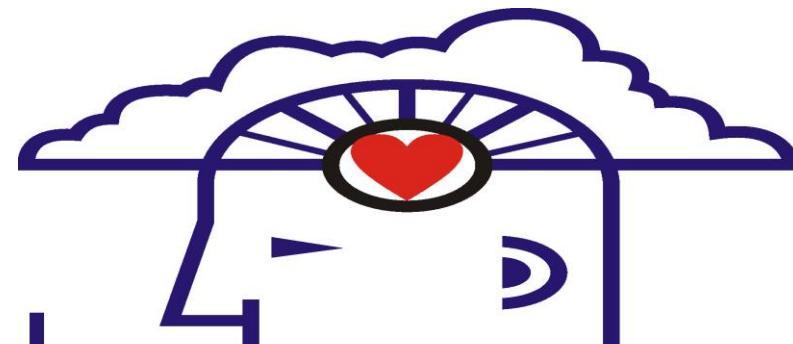
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FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, October 1, 2017
11:00 am Worship Service



**Let the same mind
be in you that was
in Christ Jesus.**

Philippians 2:5

Our Mission: “Grow as Disciples, Serve as Friends.
Love All; Serve All; Follow One!”

Our Motto: “Each One, Reach One!”