

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
Communion Sunday, Independence Day
July 2, 2017 8:30 am

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

Prelude

Welcome

*Opening Songs

"To God Be the Glory"
"America the Beautiful"

UMH 98
UMH 696

Announcements

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer Song

"Dear Jesus, In Whose Life I See" (vs. 1)

UMH 468

*Opening Prayer (in unison)

"Gracious God, You have made us in Your image and called us to serve You in freedom and in peace. May we discern and live out Your gracious will. Inspire us to live and worship in Your freedom and for the sake of Your Kingdom. Amen."

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Song

"Dear Jesus, In Whose Life I See" (v. 2)

UMH 468

*Passing of the Peace

Children's Moment

* Prayer for Independence Day (in unison)

"Almighty God, as we celebrate this Independence Day, remind us of our complete dependence upon You. We give You thanks for the blessing of freedom and peace we enjoy. We praise You for those who have sacrificed themselves in the pursuit of freedom and justice. May Your mighty power keep our nation! May Your abounding grace overflow above and beyond the border of our nation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."

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

Hebrew Scripture
Epistle Lesson
L: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
P: Thanks be to God.

Genesis
Romans
6:12-23

Paula Madden

Message
"On the Mountain of the Lord" Rev. Wayne Chung
God demands Abraham a most horrible thing. "Take your only son and offer him as a burnt offering." Abraham doesn't say much but prepares for the journey to worship and return. Do you want to worship such a God? "The gift of God is eternal life in Christ."

Giving in Response to God's Love

Offertory "Let Us Break Bread Together" 8:30 Praise Team

Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Lord's Prayer – Sharing of the Bread and Cup

*Closing Song "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" UMH 717

*Sending Forth with God's Blessing

Response Shalom, dear friends, Shalom, dear friends,
Shalom, Shalom.
We'll see you again, we'll see you again,
Shalom, Shalom.

Postlude

Lecture Reading for Following Sunday
Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 Psalm 45:10-17 or 72
Romans 7:15-25a Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

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*The altar flowers are given by Bonnie Revell in celebration
of the 4th of July – "God Bless America"*

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OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our Prayers: Family & Friends of Barbara Tucker who passed away on June 14, Family &, Jay Lounsbury, Sally Lounsbury - recovering from hip surgery, Olivia Gammel – friend of Chris Heyer, Sarah Stallings, Jerome Stallings, Shirley Wood, Carl Stallings, Sr., Those who travel

Our Presence:

Worship Attendance Last Sunday	174
Average Weekly Attendance	198

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-May 2017			
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %
General Fund	\$166,657	\$160,623	\$6,034	4%
Missions Fund	\$9,298	\$9,499	(\$201)	-2%
P&I Fund	\$8,155	\$7,500	\$655	9%
Building Fund	\$30,181	\$27,500	\$2,681	10%
Kitchen Fund	\$1,945	\$10,000	(\$8,055)	-81%
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal	35	Other	0
			YTD Cereal	750

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$114,621 as of April 30, 2017

Mortgage Loan Balance = \$490,447 as of April 30, 2017

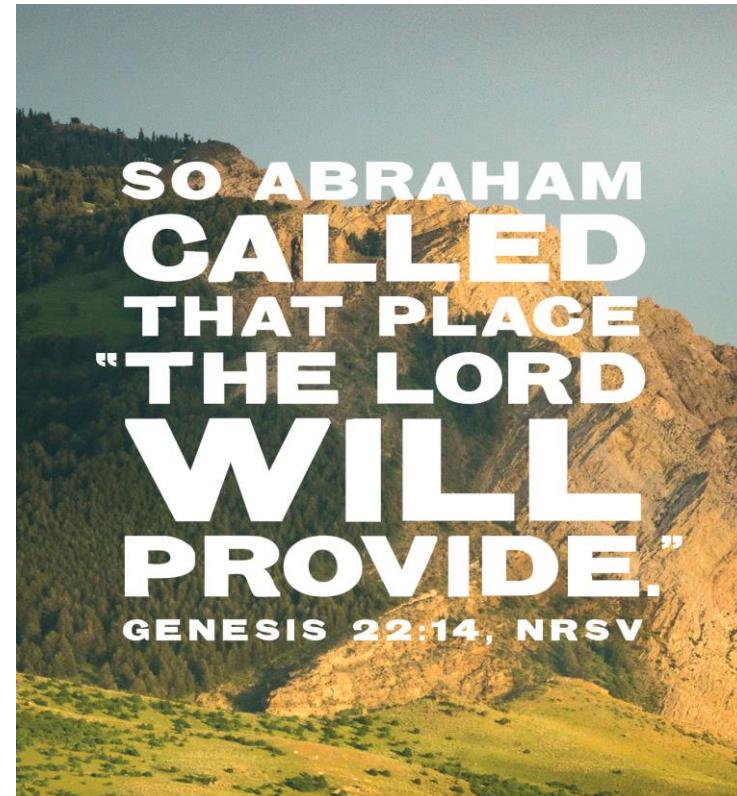
Our Service:

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
Custodian	Jim Fowler
8:30 Greeters & Ushers	Harry Hill & Sam Terry
8:30 Acolyte	Caroline Hopper
8:30 Sound Tech	John Wilson
Altar Guild for July	Bee Hobbs (301-855-5269)
Friendship Hour	<i>No Friendship Time during July & August</i>
Stephen Ministry Coordinator	Paula Madden 443-262-2635 (C)
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FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, July 2, 2017
8:30 a.m. Worship Service

**Our Mission**

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

Our Motto

: “Each One, Reach One!”