

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
July 9, 2017 11:00 am

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

Prelude “Psalm of Glory” (Wells) Sandy Griese

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**
L: Come to Christ, all who are weary.
P: In Christ, we find rest.
L: Come to Christ, all who carry burdens.
P: In Christ, we find comfort.
L: Come to Christ this day.
P: We come and find peace for our souls. Amen.

*Opening Hymn “All Creatures of Our God and King” UMH 62

Lighting of the Candles

***Opening Prayer** (in unison)
“Gracious God, we come before You seeking Your grace. Today, help us find the good in this life as we worship and praise Your name. Comfort us with Your peace that we may find the hope You have placed deep in ourselves. Amen.”

Children's Message

Hymn Response “When Love Is Found” (v. 1) UMH 643

*** Prayer for Petition** (in unison)
“Lord of peace and hope, open our hearts and send Your healing touch for our wounded spirits and weary souls. Flood our lives with Your peace. Guide our hearts and spirits as we seek to be witnesses to Your redeeming and reconciling love. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”

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

Hebrew Scripture Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 Ev Klahr
Epistle Lesson Romans 7:15-25a
L: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
P: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn of Faith “Just As I Am” (vs. 1-4) UMH 357

Message “Someone Ahead of You” Rev. Wayne Chung
Abraham’s servant is a model of trust and faithfulness. Rebekah’s example of kindness and generosity is a reflection of God’s grace. But like Paul, we often wrestle with ourselves, giving in to selfish urges. Life happens and it moves on by the grace of God. “Thanks be to God!”

Giving in Response to God’s Love
Offertory “Come, thou Almighty King” (arr. Peterson) Sandy Griese

*Doxology “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH 95

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

*Closing Hymn "And Can It Be" UMH 363

Sending Forth with God’s Blessing

*Hymn Response “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” (vs. 1) UMH 557

Postlude “Great God, We Sing thy Mighty Hand” (Smith) Sandy Griese

Genesis 25:19-34 Lection Reading for Following Sunday Psalm 119:105-112 or Psalm 25 Romans 8:1-11
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

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The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by the Kauffman family in celebration of Mary’s mother, Margery Patten’s birthday

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OUR FAITH IN ACTION
Our Prayers: Family & Friends of Barbara Tucker who passed away on June 14, 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 163
Average Weekly Attendance 197

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	34	Other	21	YTD Cereal	784

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$114,856 as of May 31, 2017
Mortgage Loan Balance = \$385,046 as of May 31, 2017

Service:
Ministers All Members and Volunteers at Friendship
Secretary Bonnie Dean bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org
Music Team Sandy Melson Griesse, Holly Reynolds Lee,
 Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley

Custodian Jim Fowler
Ushers Claudia & Dennis Leiphart
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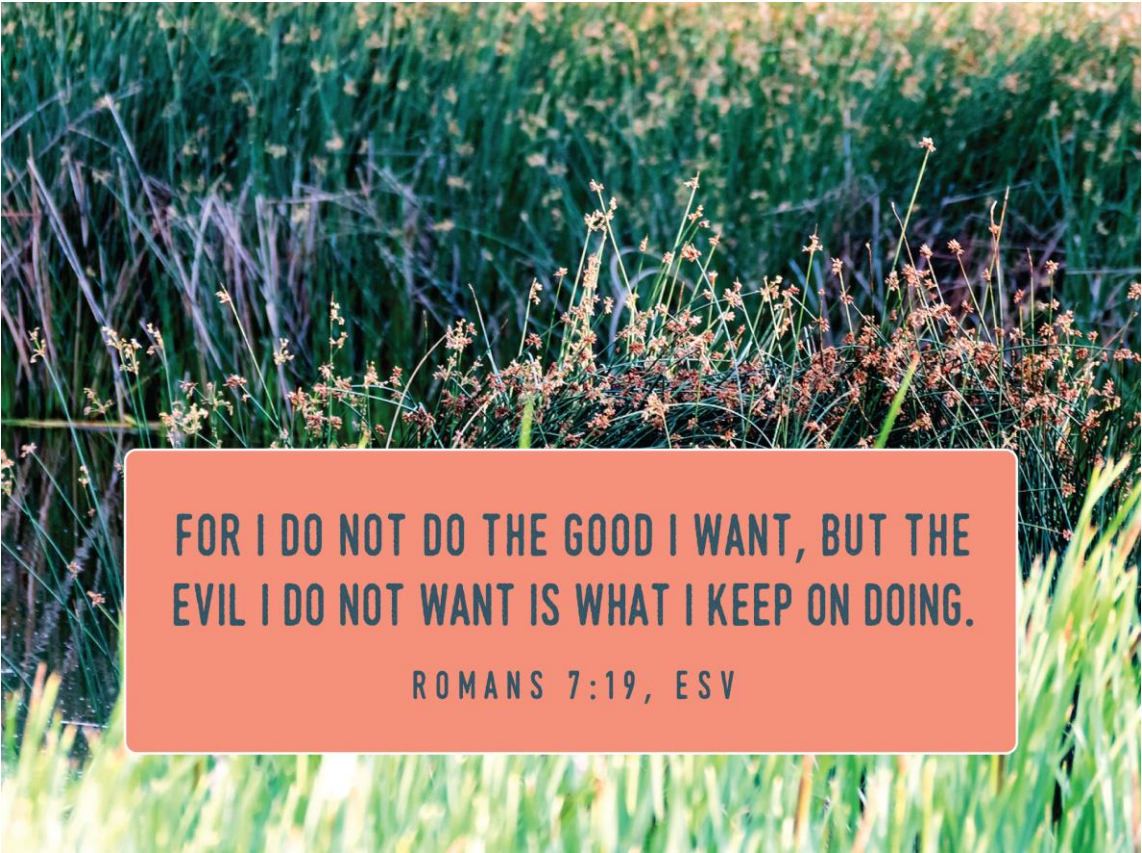
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FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

Our Motto: “Each One, Reach One!”