

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost, Homecoming Sunday

September 10, 2017 10:00 am

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

Prelude “Blessed Assurance” (arr. Broughton) Sandy Griese

Welcome and announcements

***Call to Worship**

L: There is no place like home!

P: By God’s grace, we are gathered here as a family!

L: There is no one like our God!

P: Praise, honor, and glory to the Lord now and ever! Amen.

***Opening Hymn** “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” **UMH 384**

Lighting of the Candles

***Opening Prayer** (in unison)

“Loving God, we know that when we gather, You are here with us. Build us into a faithful community—a community that cares for one another, listens to one another, and speaks the truth to one another in love. In the name of Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.”

***Passing of the Peace**

Anthem “Glory Hallelujah!” (arr. Raney) Sanctuary Choir

Children’s Message Ruth Bailey

Hymn Response “O How I Love Jesus” **UMH 170**

Prayer of Petition (in unison)

“Eternal God, as we seek Your presence, prepare our hearts to hear Your voice of healing and forgiveness. Remind us of Christ’s authority over the church at all times and in all places. Comfort us and challenge us. Create us anew as Your people that we may proclaim the Good News of Jesus to all people in all places. Amen.”

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

Hebrew Scripture Proverbs 9:1-10
Gospel Lesson Matthew 14:22-33
L: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
P: Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Hymn of Faith** “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” **UMH 474**

Message: DISCIPLESHIP (1): “Tell Me to Come to You” Rev. Wayne Chung
All disciples are believers but not all believers are disciples. Peter asks and then walks to Jesus on the water. What makes him say and do that? “Lord if it’s You, tell me to come to You on the water!”

Giving in Response to God’s Love

Offertory “The Family of Faith” (Martin) Sanctuary Choir
***Doxology** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” **UMH 94**

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

***Closing Hymn** “How Firm a Foundation” **UMH 529**

***Sending Forth with God’s Blessing**

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

Postlude “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart” (arr. Ritter) Sandy Griese

Exod. 14:19-31 Lection Reading for Following Sunday **Exod. 15:1b-11, 20-21** **Rom. 14:1-12** **Matt. 18:21-35**

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*The altar flowers are given by Van & Bob King in memory of their son
Bob “J” King on his September 10th birthday*

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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, The Graduates, People in transition, Olivia Gammel – friend of Chris Heyer, Sarah Stallings, Jerome Stallings, Shirley Wood, Carl Stallings, Sr., Those who travel, For the healing of the nation, especially Charlottesville, VA

Our Presence: Worship Attendance Last Sunday 185
 Average Weekly Attendance 186

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-July 2017					
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %		
General Fund	\$228,594	\$217,058	\$11,536	5%		
Missions Fund	\$14,763	\$13,061	\$1,702	13%		
P&I Fund	\$10,577	\$10,500	\$77	1%		
Building Fund	\$40,221	\$38,500	\$1,721	4%		
Kitchen Fund	\$2,905	\$14,000	(\$11,095)	-		
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal	36	Other	0	YTD Cereal	1016

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$115,816 as of July 31, 2017
 Mortgage Loan Balance = \$373,459 as of July 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
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FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, September 10, 2017
 Joint Homecoming Worship Service



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

Our Motto: “Each One, Reach One!”