

16th Sunday after Pentecost

September 4, 2016 11:00 am

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

Prelude "O How I Love Jesus" (arr. Rasley) Sandy Griese

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

L: Grace to you, and peace from God our Maker.

P: We come to rejoice in the love of our God.

L: Grace to you, and peace from our Lord Jesus Christ!

P: We come to rejoice in the encouragement of our family in Christ.

L: Welcome, friends and coworkers in Christ!

P: We come for the joyful reminder that God accepts and loves us. Amen.

*Opening Hymn "My Lord, What a Morning" UMH 719

Lighting of the Candles

*Opening Prayer (in unison)

"God of grace, we are Your family, brothers and sisters all, sharing in Your vision and work. We give You thanks for the many ways You have loved and blessed us. We bring our joy and gratitude to You today as we sing our thanksgiving and praise. Amen."

Anthem "Prelude on Divinum Mysterium" Joyce Terry, Mary Flora, Sandy Griese

Children's Message

Hymn Response "Spirit of the Living God" UMH 393

Prayer Petition (in unison)

"Jesus Christ, giver of love and peace, we are grateful for Your vision that embraces all, leaving none behind. You call us Your brothers and sisters, even when we do not recognize this truth. Forgive us when we fail to see others as You see them. Open our hearts to everyone in Your family, that they may become our family, too. In Christ's name. Amen."

**Please rise either in posture or in spirit*

Hebrew Scripture Jeremiah 18: 1-11

Epistle Lesson Philemon 1-21

Jonathan Wilkerson

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

P: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn of Faith "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" UMH 382

Message "Grace: Another Chance" Rev. Wayne Chung

Facing life's challenges, we are to realize every good thing we share in Christ. By God's grace, every day is a new day. "If anyone is in Christ, that person is a new creation."

Giving in Response to God's Love

Offertory "Celtic Prayer" Joyce Terry, Mary Flora, Sandy Griese

HOLY COMMUNION

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

Communion Hymns: UMH 620 One Bread, One Body; 314 In the Garden; 526 What a Friend We Have in Jesus; 369 Blessed Assurance

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer (in unison)

*Closing Hymn "Let There Be Peace on Earth" UMH 431

Sending Forth God's Light and Love

*Hymn Response "Amen" UMH 898

Postlude "March Magnifique" (Williams) Sandy Griese

Lection Reading for Following Sunday

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 Psalm 14 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our Prayers: Friends & Family of Nancy Williams, Courtney Schultz, friend of the Distlers, Bob & Van King's daughter-in-law, Robert, Keith Ulrich's mother Henrietta, Patrick Rodrigues (Joyce Owens' Husband), Those who travel

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Today's altar flowers are presented by Shari Thorne-Sulima and Jim Sulima in honor of the August 30 wedding anniversary of Shari's parents, Kathy & Wayne Thorne

Our Presence: Worship Attendance Last Sunday 177
 Average Worship Attendance 205

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-June 2016					
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %		
General Fund	\$217,318	\$240,129	(\$22,811)	-9%		
Missions Fund	\$13,449	\$14,082	(\$633)	-4%		
P&I Fund	\$19,987	\$18,250	\$1,647	9%		
Building Fund	\$50,751	\$44,800	\$5,951	13%		
Kitchen Fund	\$55,705	\$3,794	\$51,911	-		
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal	34	Other	0	YTD Cereal	846

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$108,268 as of July 31, 2016

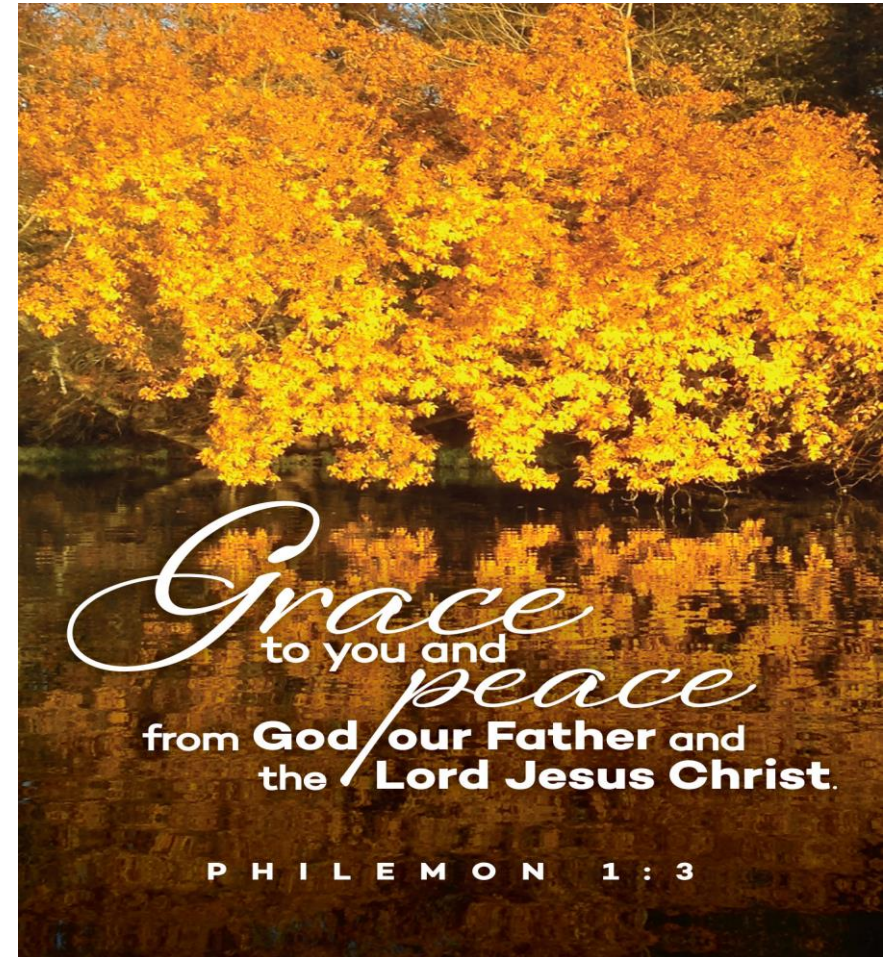
Service:

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

Custodian Jim Fowler
Counters Joyce Terry & Judy McGowan
Ushers Richard Chaney & Wheeler Greene
Altar Guild for September Bonnie Revell (410-741-5268)
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Our Mission : “Grow as Disciples, Serve as Friends. Love All; Serve All; Follow One!”
2016 Motto : “Each One, Reach One!”