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Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.
Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation
of our communities and world.

Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church affirms the teachings of Jesus Christ by welcoming all of God's children regardless of race, age, gender, family status, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, ethnic background, socioeconomic status, or any other factor that might separate us from each other. All are invited to join our shared journey of faith and participate fully in the life of our church.



Sunday, January 12, 2020
9:00 A.M.

"Spirited Traditional Service"

United Methodist Church
13658 W. Meeker Blvd.
Sun City West, AZ 85375
623.584.2280

Scripture and Prayer for the Week

"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful."
Luke 12:36

*Gracious God, when we are tempted to withhold love, or mercy, or forgiveness,
remind us of all the love, mercy and forgiveness
you have extended to us, without regard to our worthiness for these gifts.
Make us like you, for the sake of Jesus. Amen.*



As we worship . . . please silence your cell phone.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

* Indicates stand as you are comfortable

WELCOME AND GREETING Rev. Lee Hirt

PRELUDE “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart” arr. Franklin Ritter

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Bless the Lord, O my soul,
People: and all that is within me, bless his holy name,
Liturgist: Bless the Lord, O my soul,
People: and do not forget all his benefits.
All: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

*OPENING HYMN “Whatever You Do” (see screen)

*OPENING PRAYER—In Unison Liturgist

God of all goodness, we give thanks that you love us even when we are most unlovable; forgive us when we feel unforgivable; and give us a new start when we think we are at the end of our rope. Your very presence is transforming. We acknowledge your presence here, and invite you to transform us this very day, as we worship, sing, encounter your Word, and pray. By the power of your Spirit, be at work to soften our hearts, open our minds and give us new eyes to see all you would have us do and be, for the sake of Jesus, your son, our savior. We pray in his name. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC “Let Your Kingdom Come” Pepper Choplin
Sanctuary Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 6:27-36 Liturgist

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR OPENNESS TO THE WORD

Pastor: Now let the words of my mouth
People: And the meditations of our hearts
ALL: Be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord,
My rock and my redeemer. Amen.

MESSAGE “Three Simple Rules: Do Good” Rev. Alma Aguirre-Olivares

*HYMN OF RESPONSE “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian” UMH #402

PRAYERS Rev. Alma Aguirre-Olivares

PRAYER RESPONSE “Sanctuary” (sing twice) TFWS #2164

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY “One Tin Soldier” Bill Moore

*SONG OF PRAISE “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH #94

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION Liturgist

*THE LORD’S PRAYER - In Unison
Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN “Amen, Amen” TFWS #2072

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE “The Solid Rock” arr. Rick Parks

If you would like personal prayer after the service, you are welcome to come to the Prayer Room. Our prayer ministers will meet you there. You can either tell them specifically what you would like prayer for, or simply give them your name, and they will pray for you.