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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.



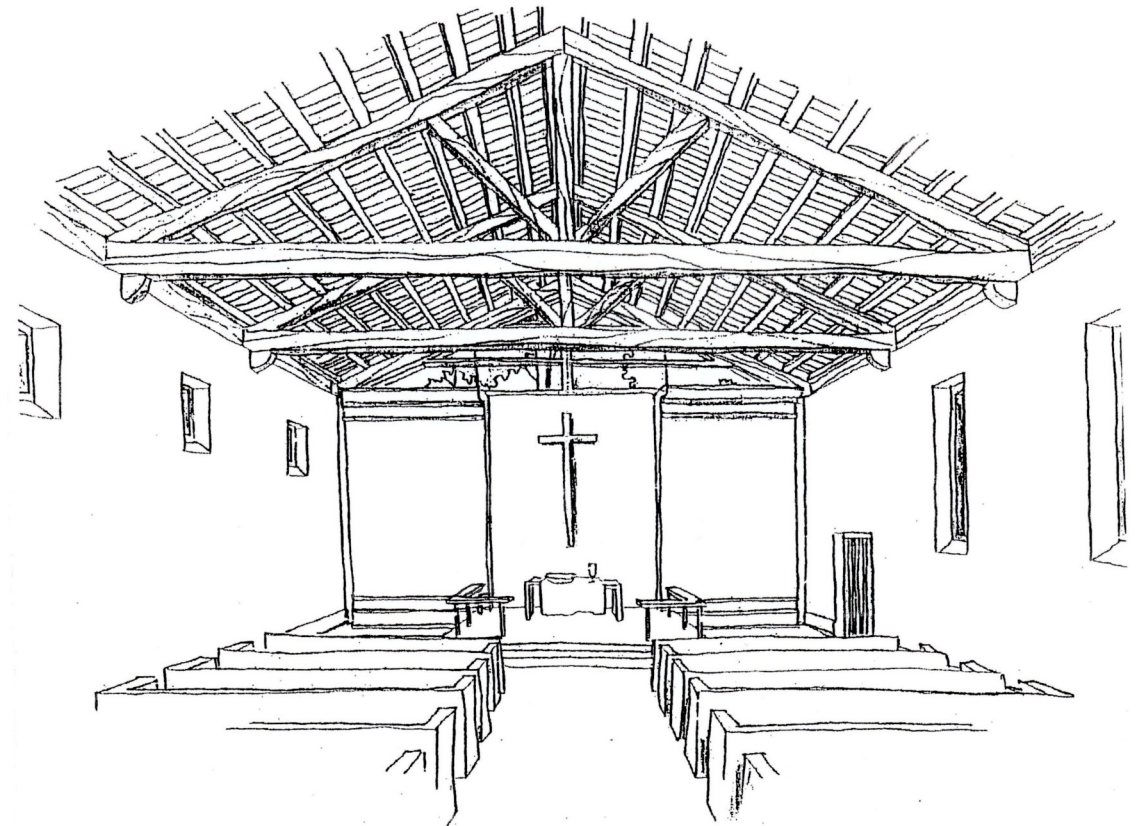
Saturday, January 11, 2020
4:00 P.M.

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

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.*



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We Are Chosen

We Are Blessed

We Are Loved

ORDER OF WORSHIP

** Indicates stand as you are comfortable*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Lee Hirt

PRELUDE “Seek Ye First” arr. Carl Seal

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 unforgiveable; 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.

HYMN SING - Your Choice! We will sing the first verse of each.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostle’s Creed In Unison Liturgist
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. The third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC “One Tin Soldier” Bill Moore

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 Rev. Lee Hirt

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

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

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY “Make Me a Channel of Your Peace” Bill Moore
*HYMN OF PRAISE “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH #95
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION Liturgist

THE LORD’S PRAYER - Unison

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

BLESSING

POSTLUDE “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” arr. Antony Burger

Liturgist

Karen Blessing