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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



Sunday, August 25, 2019  
10:00 A.M.

*"Spirited Traditional Service"*

### **Scripture and Prayer for the Week**

*"For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."*

John 9:25b

*Gracious God, thank you for caring enough for me to call me,  
in spite of all I am, in spite of all I've done.*

*I am yours. Amen.*



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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

\* Indicates stand as you are comfortable

WELCOME AND GREETING	Rev. Alma Aguirre-Olivares	
PRELUDE	<i>"Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"</i>	arr. Franklin Ritter
*OPENING HYMN	<i>"Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"</i>	UMH #340
*OPENING PRAYER—In Unison	Liturgist	
<b>God of grace and goodness, as we gather, we confess that we are not worthy to be your children, but we are. We often act as if you do not exist, or do not matter. We fail to respond to your call; and ignore the needs of others, especially the poor. We hold on to our grudges as if they were pleasing to you. We insist on doing things our own way, even when we know it is not your way. Forgive us, we pray. Thank you for loving us anyway and for giving us second, third and tenth chances to start over. Give us that second chance today, and enable us to worship you in spirit and in truth, for the sake of Jesus. Amen.</b>		
SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>"Victory in Jesus"</i>	arr. Bartlett
	Rachel Bartlett, Shirley Fiske, Patt Prill	
SCRIPTURE READING	Matthew 9:9-13	Liturgist
RESPONSE TO THE WORD		
Liturgist:	The Word of God for the people of God.	
<b>ALL:</b>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>	
PRAYER FOR OPENNESS TO THE WORD		
Pastor:	Now let the words of my mouth	
People:	<b>And the meditations of our hearts</b>	
<b>ALL:</b>	<b>Be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord,</b> <b>My rock and my redeemer. Amen.</b>	
MESSAGE	<i>"Losers Welcome"</i>	Rev. Deborah Lerner

## \*HYMN OF RESPONSE

*"Spirit Song"*

UMH #347

## PRAYERS

## PRAYER RESPONSE

*"Something Beautiful"*

Rev. Alma Aguirre-Olivares

UMH #394

## THE OFFERING

## OFFERTORY

*"Because He Lives"*

arr. Gaither

*Rachel Bartlett, Shirley Fiske, Patt Prill*

## \*SONG OF PRAISE

*"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

UMH #94

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## \*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

*"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"*

UMH #344

## \*BLESSING

## POSTLUDE

*"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"*

arr. G. Winston Cassler

If you would like personal prayer after the service, you are welcome to come to the front center aisle. 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.

Liturgist

Cathy Peckham

MESSAGE

*"Losers Welcome"*

Rev. Deborah Lerner