

Our Shepherd's Love is extended to the family of Ruth Soderstrom, who passed away August 23, 2019. Memorial arrangements are pending.

Our Shepherd's Love is extended to the family of Roberta Kaye, who passed away August 29, 2019. Memorial arrangements are pending.

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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, September 1, 2019

9:00 A.M.

*"Spirited Traditional Service"*

United Methodist Church

13658 W. Meeker Blvd.

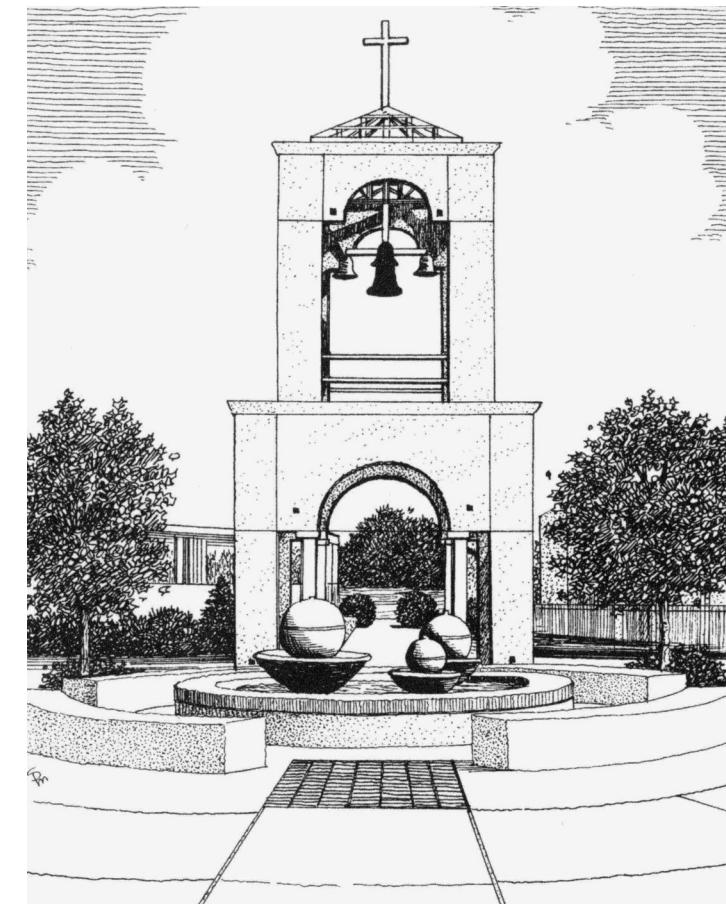
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### Scripture and Prayer for the Week

"...Nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." *Romans 8:39*

*Lord, help me to believe in your persistent, unfailing love for all your children, including even me. Amen.*



As we worship . . . Please silence your cell phone

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

\* Indicates stand as you are comfortable

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rev. Lee Hirt
PRELUDE	<i>"In Christ Alone"</i>	arr. Bill Wolaver
*OPENING HYMN	<i>"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"</i>	UMH #89
*OPENING PRAYER—In Unison		Liturgist
<p><b>God of light and life and love, it is a mystery that you want us to be your children, but you do. It is a mystery that you love us in spite of all we are and do, but you do. It is a mystery that you invite us to abundant life now and forever, but you do. We confess our unworthiness; our failures to love; our inattention to your loving invitation. Forgive us, one more time, as only you can do. Restore us, renew us and come among us with power. Make us your own. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.</b></p>		
SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>"Put Your Hand in the Hand"</i>	Miriam Dancers Singing Shepherds
SCRIPTURE READING	Romans 8:35-39	Liturgist
RESPONSE TO THE WORD		
Liturgist:	The Word of God for the people of God.	
ALL	<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>	
All:	<b>Be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord,</b> <b>my rock and my redeemer. Amen.</b>	
MESSAGE	<i>"No Failing Grades"</i>	Rev. Deborah Lerner
*HYMN OF RESPONSE	<i>"My Tribute"</i>	UMH #99

## GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

*"I Saw the Light"*

Singing Shepherds

### \*SONG OF PRAISE

*"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

UMH #94

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Liturgist

## \*THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION (spoken responses)

THE LORD'S PRAYER (To be sung, the Malotte version) 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.**

## GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION –In Unison

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself so completely to us. Grant that we may go out in the strength of your steadfast spirit, to give ourselves for others. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

### \*CLOSING HYMN

*"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"*

UMH #384

### \*BLESSING

### POSTLUDE

*"Crown Him With Many Crowns"*

arr. Anna Laura Page

Liturgist

Sand'ee Spears

Our Mission Candle shines today in honor and celebration of Yosonda Broughton's 101<sup>st</sup> Birthday on August 30. Love Margaret and Bryan McIntyre.

Our Mission Candle shines today in honor and celebration of the 62<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary on August 31<sup>st</sup> of Paul and Gretchen Phillips.

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