Chancel flowers are given by Dennis & Carol Zimmerman in celebration of their 55th wedding anniversary and in loving memory of their daughter, Kellie Zimmerman Hicks, from her family.

Clergy and Worship Leaders

Rev. Dr. Dave Summers, Senior Pastor

Rev. Andrea Andress, Deacon and Director of Spiritual Formation and Discipleship

Rev. Brenda Smith, Deacon and Director of Family Ministry

Christopher Wurpts, Associate Pastor of Modern Worship and Discipleship

Dr. Ashley Strawser, Music and Arts Ministries Director and Organist

Dr. Andria Fennig, Worship Accompanist/Director of Contemporary Worship Arts

Assisting Today

Ushers: Chuck Bivenour, Clint Miller, Dick Wardell, Fran Wardell
Communion Servers: Dave Hepburn, Monica Stern

Audio: Jim DeBusk Visuals: Jim Poley

Worship Celebration October 7, 2018 — 8 am World Communion Sunday



Tune Up "Thanksgiving to God"

It is only with gratitude that life becomes rich!

~ Dietrich Bonhoeffer







All are invited to share in communion this morning. As United Methodists, we practice an "open table" where all are welcome to come forward as we meet the presence of the living Christ. You will be given a piece of bread to dip into the cup. Gluten-free wafers are available.

Words of Welcome

Rev. Brenda Smith

* Moments of Christian Fellowship

Announcements

Prelude All Creatures of Our God and King arr. Kartsonakis
Chris Granger, piano

* Call to Worship Pastor Christopher Wurpts

Leader: Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord.

People: Let us worship the Lord with gladness.

Leader: Let us come into God's presence with singing.

People: God, you are the holy one, our Lord.

It is you who made us, and we are yours;

we are your people, and the sheep of your pasture.

Leader: We enter your gates with thanksgiving,

and your courts with praise.

We give thanks to you, we bless your holy name.

All: For you are good; your steadfast love endures

forever, and your faithfulness to all generations.

(Adapted from Psalm 100)

* Hymn of Praise Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast Hymn 339

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Lord we confess that we suffer today because of sin, both the sins we have chosen and the sins committed against us.

We have done things we should not have done, and we have neglected to do those things we should have done.

Save us from ourselves:

save us from the forces of evil in this world. Amen.

Silent Prayer and Words of Assurance

Leader: In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! People: In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: Glory to God. Amen.

(Please fill out and pass the fellowship pads)

Sharing of God's Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Let Us Break Bread Together arr. Walters
Scott McKown, soloist

* Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymn 94

* Offertory Prayer

Sermon Tune Up

1. Thanksgiving to God Pastor Christopher Wurpts

The Great Thanksgiving

Blessing of the Bread and Cup

The Lord's Prayer

Music During Communion

Hymn 620 *One Bread, One Body* Hymn 614 *For the Bread Which You Have Broken*

Prayer after Communion

- * Hymn of Commitment All Who Hunger The Faith We Sing 2126
- * Benediction
- * Postlude