

Morning Worship

Sunday, October 11, 2020, 10:00 am

19th Sunday after Pentecost

Beginning Music "Savior Like a Shepard"

Prelude "Shepherd Me" RoseAnne Homola

Words to ponder: "Draw near to God, and God will draw near to us, as we serve and minister together."

Additional Scriptures for this Sunday: Exodus 32:1-14, Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23; Philippians 4:1-9

Scriptures for 20th Sunday after Pentecost:

Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10;
Matthew 22:15-22

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome Pastor Ed

Call to Worship (*Responsively*) Leader

Leader: Invited by God.

People: **We gather to worship.**

Leader: Partnering with God.

People: **We gather to grow in faith and to change the world.**

Opening Prayer (*Unison*) Leader

Beloved God, we gather in the shelter of your love, grateful for the banquet of worship you have prepared for us. Focus our hearts and our minds on the beauty of this time, the blessings of our lives, and the fullness of your message. Strengthen our call to fulfill our role as your partners in ministry to the world. Amen.

Opening Hymn "Softly and Tenderly" Heather Arnold,
Sheryl Rajpolt, RoseAnne Homola

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

A Time for Children of All Ages

Rose Aiello

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

Gospel Reading Matthew 22:1-14 Leader

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ!**

Hymn of Preparation "Spirit of the Living God" Eunice Alberts/
Ron Giannattasio

Sermon "*It's Not a Got To, It's a Get To*" Pastor Ed

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer of Confession (*Unison*) Leader

Gracious God, you know how we confuse our roles, miss your invitation, and ignore your banquet of grace and abundant love. Clear the clouds from our eyes, that we may clearly see clearly your call to partner and serve with you. Clear our calendars, that we don't miss your invitation to love and serve the world. Clear our minds and soothe our troubled souls, that we may remember and treasure every opportunity to receive your abundant grace and your loving nourishment. Nourish us with your forgiveness and your mercy, that we may rejoice fully in this time of worship. In your love and grace, we pray. Amen.

Silent Meditation

Words of Assurance

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns Bill Florin

Response: "Lord, hear our prayers."

Silent Prayer followed by the Pastoral Prayer

The Offering of our Gifts (*Please mail in your offerings*)

Doxology

Offering Prayer (Unison) Gracious God, thank you for your abundant love and your nourishing grace. Thank you for the gifts we return to you now. Bless these gifts, that they may become for others signs of your abundant love and vessels of your nourishing grace. Amen.

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

Sending Hymn "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Patti Early

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

Benediction

Our Worship Tech Team

Rose Aiello
Eunice Alberts
Patti Early
Bill Florin
RoseAnne Homola
Amy Rajpolt
Sheryl Rajpolt

Ed Dayton – Pastor

Liturgist: Anita Stabler-Hussey; Children's Time: Rose Aiello

Bill Florin – Joys and Concerns Leader

Soloists: Heather Arnold, Sheryl Rajpolt

Organist: RoseAnne Homola

UMC Monroe Lay Leader: Rose Aiello

LHUMC Lay Leaders: Maggie Flemma and Tim Quinn

Music Leaders: Patti Early, RoseAnne Homola, Eunice Alberts



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