

Morning Worship and Communion Sunday

June 6, 2021, 8:45 am

Words to ponder: “As you enter this sacred space, may you be renewed by the steadfast love of God. May your spirit be filled with the Spirit of Christ, and may you sing praises and give glory to God.”

WE GATHER AS GOD’S PEOPLE

Welcome Pastor Ed

Call to Worship (*Responsively*) Leader

Leader: People of God, enter this place with thanksgiving and praise,

People: for the Lord is good.

Leader: Come and rejoice, sing glory to God,

People: for the Lord is good.

Leader: Remember, the steadfast love of God endures forever,

People: for the Lord is good.

Opening Prayer (*Unison*) Leader

Loving God, some of us come to this place full of anticipation and joy, others come weary and tired. And some of us come here today wondering why we are even here. Renew us in your Holy Spirit. Remind us that your steadfast love follows us wherever we go. Increase our faith, that we may not lose heart or become burdened by the challenges of life. Help us hear again the words of Christ: “Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.” We are yours, O God. Thank you for claiming us as your own. In the name of Christ, your Son and our savior, we pray. Amen.

Opening Hymn “What Wondrous Love Is This” UMH # 292
V 1, 2, 4

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

A Time for Children of All Ages Sheryl Rajpolt

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament 2 Corinthians 5:6-17 (NRSV) Leader

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Reading Mark 3:20-35 (NSRV) Leader

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ!

Hymn of Preparation “Open My Eyes That I May See” UMH # 393
V1

Sermon “Pizza” Pastor Ed

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer of Confession (*Unison*) Leader

Gracious God, we often forget that you are the ruler of our lives. Instead, we turn our attention elsewhere. We want what others have. We allow the concerns of the world to weigh us down. We become distracted by the activities around us. We forget to keep our focus on you. Forgive us. Strengthen our faith, that we may see your presence in our lives. Remind us again that you are the Lord of our lives -- the one who loves us completely, the one who offers us abundant forgiveness, the one who never leaves our side. In your holy name we pray. Amen.

Silent Meditation

Words of Assurance

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns Bill Florin

Silent Prayer followed by the Pastoral Prayer

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

Doxology

Offering Prayer (*Unison*)

Almighty Creator, you have blessed us with abundant life and steadfast love. We offer these gifts to you, asking that your Holy Spirit will bless them and use them to shower grace and love upon our brothers and sisters, both near and far. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Giving of the Bread and Cup

Pastor Ed

The Lord's Prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

Sending Hymn "Be Still, My Soul" UMH # 434

Benediction

Benediction Response "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"
TFWS # 2036

Our Worship Tech Team

Rose Aiello
Patti Early
Bill Florin

RoseAnne Homola
Amy Rajpolt
Sheryl Rajpolt

Pastor: Reverend Ed Dayton

Liturgist: John Rajpolt; Children's Time: Sheryl Rajpolt

Pianist/Organist: RoseAnne Homola

Joys and Concerns: Bill Florin,

UMC Monroe Lay Leader: Rose Aiello

Music Leader: Patti Early and RoseAnne Homola

Email: umc@umcmonroe.org Telephone: 203.268.8395

Web site: www.umcmonroe.org

Email: pastor.ed.dayton@gmail.com Pastor's cell: 203.733.9112

Like us on Facebook



Alternative Worship Livestream Zoom link:

<https://umcom.zoom.us/j/99264572210>

Meeting ID: 992 6457 2210

Dial by your location 1+ 929 205 6099 (New York)

United Methodist Church of Monroe

515 Cutlers Farm Road
Monroe, CT 06468

Sunday, June 6, 2021 – 8:45 am

"Growing in the Body of Christ"