

## United Methodist Church at Shrub Oak

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October 22, 2017

10:30 a.m. Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

*\*Congregation will stand, as able.*

Please take time to greet and welcome each other in the name of Jesus Christ.

*“Abide in Me”... “Love One Another”... “Bear Fruit”*

### Prelude

### Parish Concerns, Announcements, and Praise

Please silence your cell phones during the worship service.

### Opening Prayer (In Unison)

Appear to us here, precious Lord, for we need your assurance and blessing. We seek the strength to do what is right and just. We long to see you, even though we sense that a god we could see would be only a tiny part of you whose Spirit fills all time and space. We want you to have a face like ours, so we find your face in Jesus, and occasionally in one another. O God, we want to be open to all you are revealing to us now through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**\*Opening Hymn:** “Jesus is All the World to Me”

UMH #469

**Scripture Reading:** Exodus 33:12-23

**\*Gospel Reading:** Matthew 22:15-22

**Liturgist:** The Word of God to the People of God.

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

**Anthem:** “Celebrate God’s Love”

**Offering of Gifts and Tithes**

**The Offertory:** “Thank You, Lord” (Sing twice)

UMH #84

**\*The Doxology** UMH #95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise him all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

### \*Prayer of Dedication

O God, we sense that you are calling us to manage well all the things that belong to you. The empires of this world have no claim on the resources you have provided except as they are used for the common good. The offerings we receive as a church are not for our private benefit or to buy services for ourselves. Thus we dedicate the gifts you have provided in our money and our abilities and our time to extend a helping hand and joyous welcome to every people on the face of the earth. May our efforts find favor with you. Amen.

**Children’s Moment:**

Pastor Iwy

**Commission and Blessing:** (Les Hazelton and Kathy Schiavi)  
(Children will go to Sunday School)

**\*Hymn of Preparation:** “Living for Jesus”

FWS #2149

**The Good News:**

Pastor Iwy

### The Pastoral Prayer

*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.*

**\*Recessional Hymn:** “Take My Life, and Let It Be”

UMH #399

### \*Commission and Blessing:

We have gathered in community to worship God.

Now our service of praise continues in the world.

**We have been equipped with the gospel message.**

**God empowers our outreach wherever we go.**

God has forgiven and blessed us in this gathering.

Now we scatter to forgive and bless others.

**Here, the Holy Spirit has deepened our convictions.**

**Now God calls to let our faith be known in other places.**

We serve a true and living God, everywhere present.

We are blessed to be God’s own people.

**We will spend ourselves this week for God’s children.**

**Then we will return to strengthen one another. Amen. Amen.**

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*The flowers on the altar are given by the Casey Family*

*“In celebration of Cory’s birthday (October 11) and*

*Jack and Kathy’s 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary (October 15). Thank God for these blessings.”*

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### Serving Today:

**Acolytes:** Children of the Church

**Coffee Hour Hosts:** Annette Reynolds and Friends of the Church

**Crib & Toddler Care:** Bonnie Hutta

**Greeters:** Beth Gilleo and Don Hoffmann

**Ushers:** Debbie Vesuvio, and Pat Golanec

**Today:** After worship, Congregational Meeting

**Monday:** 6:30 p.m. Women’s Small Group

**Tuesday:** Bible Study Groups: 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

**Wednesday:** 10:30 a.m. Small Group 1

7:30-8:30 pm “God’s not Dead **2**” Discussion/Study GP Room

10:00 a.m. Small Group 2, 11-11:30 a.m. Prayer Group Chapel

**Friday:** 10:00 a.m. Crafts for a Cause

**Next Sunday:** 9:15 a.m. Confirmation Class and 4:00 p.m. Raking

We welcome all visitors and are happy you chose our church to worship. Please fill out the visitor card in the pews and indicate if you would like the Pastor to call on you. If you are interested in joining our church, please talk to Maxine Haigh, Pastor Iwy or call the office. **Attention, parents of young children:** On the back shelf, there are liturgical activity sheets for the children that are linked with morning worship. Please feel free to get one for your child.

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