

United Methodist Church at Shrub Oak

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November 19, 2017

10:30 a.m.

24th 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)

Fill us, gracious God, with a sense of your abiding presence. Awaken our spirits to realities unseen. Turn us from the dullness of our fear-filled gasping for security and help us to live with trust in you. Expand among us such mutual regard and encouragement as will build up community and lead all of us to live in the light. May faith and love dominate all our relationships as we enter into the joy of serving in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

***Opening Hymn:** “Give Me the Faith Which Can Remove”

UMH #650

Scripture Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

***Gospel Reading:** Matthew 25:14-30

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem: “Lord, Listen to Your Children”

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

The Offertory: “Through It All”

UMH #507

***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**

There is no escape from your judgment, O Spirit of Holiness, but neither can we flee beyond your limitless love. We offer an accounting of our stewardship in and beyond the offering of this day. Reshape our lives for joyous, responsive participation in work that builds up the body of Christ. Use what we offer here to bring encouragement and hope to many who have lost a sense of meaning for their lives. Bless us and our offerings. Amen.

Children’s Moment:

Pastor Iwy

(Children will go to Sunday School)

***Hymn of Preparation:** “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

FWS #2153

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:** “Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service”

UMH #581

***Commission and Blessing:**

As another week unfolds, continue to look up.
Dare to invest yourself for the sake of others.

God will go with us to lift up our spirits.

We will pass on to others the encouragement God gives.

Live as children of the day, children of light.

Keep awake, sober, and full of faith and love.

God’s saving grace is a healing force among us.

God’s trust in us helps us to trust others.

Listen for God’s commendation and affirmation:

“Well done, good and faithful servant.”

We will seek to be worthy of that award.

May God bless our worship and our service. Amen. Amen.

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*The flowers on the altar are in honor of Grace Reynolds birthday
(Given by Russ, Annette, her grandchildren and great grandchildren)*

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Serving Today:

Acolytes: Children of the Church
Coffee Hour Hosts: Maxine Haigh and Joan Prentice
Crib & Toddler Care: Bonnie Hutta
Greeters: Muriel Carpenter and Lynne Schrot
Ushers: Debbie Vesuvio, and Pat Golanec

Today:

**During worship, dedication of OCC shoe boxes
After worship, assembling Thanksgiving baskets**

Monday:

**6:30 p.m. Women’s Small Group GP Room
7:30 p.m. Vision Table Meeting GP Room**

Tuesday:

Bible Study Groups: 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. GP Room

Wednesday:

10:30 a.m. Small Group 1

Thursday:

Happy Thanksgiving!

Friday:

10:00 a.m. Crafts for a Cause GP Room

Next Sunday:

Holy Communion

**After worship, Special Charge Conference
and Administrative Council Meeting**

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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