

# United Methodist Church at Shrub Oak

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10:30 a.m.

Last Sunday after Pentecost

*\*Congregation will stand, as able.*

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

## HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY

“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)

We come with gladness, loving God, drawn by our need and by a desire to praise you and give thanks. Enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we may be full of hope. Enlarge the circle of our concern that we may see the stranger as next of kin, the hungry person as part of our own family, the one who is sick as a whole individual deserving of our care. Grant us the presence of Christ that we may learn more fully to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Amen.

**\*Opening Hymn:** “Holy Is the Lord”

**Scripture Reading:** Ephesians 1:15-23

**\*Gospel Reading:** Matthew 25:31-46

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

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

**Anthem:** “Hear Our Praises”

**Stewardship Moment:** Dianne Benincasa

**Offering of Gifts and Tithes**

**The Offertory:** “You Are My All in All”

**\*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

God of steadfast love, receive these expressions of our thanks for the glorious inheritance entrusted to us. We hereby enlist ourselves and our resources toward the realization of your eternal purpose of all humanity. May this congregation become more and more a source of hope for each of us and for all we meet. Amen.

**Service of Holy Communion:** UMH #12-14

(Communion Hymns: UMH #618, #174)

(Children will leave for Sunday School)

**Hymn of Preparation:** “Blessed Be Your Name”

**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:**

“I Was Created”

**\*Commission and Blessing:**

Go forth in faith, with love for all the saints.

Open your eyes to see the good in all you meet.

**We believe that God is empowering our ministry.**

**God’s love enables us to love even in difficult times.**

Among God’s gifts is a spirit of wisdom and revelation.

God grants insight and resources to be helpful to others.

**Reaching out to people in need is a service to Christ.**

**We want to treat others as part of God’s family.**

We partake of eternal life through our caring.

We sense life’s meaning in the midst of our sharing.

**God’s steadfast love inspires our risk-taking service.**

**God’s faithfulness to us evokes our generosity. Amen. Amen.**

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

*“In loving memory of Edna Klausman Valentine”*

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### Serving Today:

**Acolytes:** Children of the Church

**Coffee Hour Hosts:** Spina Family

**Crib & Toddler Care:** No crib and toddler care today

**Greeters:** Jean Engel and Susan Crookston

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

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

**Monday:** 6:30 p.m. Women’s Small Group 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:** 10:00 a.m. Small Group 2, 11-11:30 a.m. Prayer Group Chapel

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

**Saturday:** 8:00 a.m. Men’s Group; 9:30 a.m. Small Group Leaders

1-3:00 p.m. – PWP Annual Christmas Luncheon

3-6:00 p.m. Trim-A-Tree

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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