

United Methodist Church at Shrub Oak

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Halos and Hoving Home

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Sounds of Life Choir

April 29, 2018

10:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

*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)

Amazing God, open our senses to your direction so we may be alert to opportunities you give us. Fill us with good news to share with those who seek meaning for their lives. There is much in life that we do not understand. We seek to know your Word and to be led by it. Recall us to the vows of our baptism, reconfirming in us the covenant promises that link us to you and to one another. As we meet you here, our hearts are lifted up in praise. May our worship glorify your name and be pleasing to you. Amen.

*Opening Hymn:

“He Knows My Name”

Scripture Reading:

1 John 4:7-21

*Gospel Reading:

John 15:1-8

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Offering of Gifts and Tithes

The Offertory:

“God is So Good”

*The Doxology

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*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

We give, gracious God, because we are grateful. Your love has sustained us through many trials and temptations. We are thankful for those who have guided our attempts to understand the scriptures. Your loving judgment has provided the pruning our lives require in order to bear fruit. We give in order to extend to others the blessings we have received and to continue the ministry we need as we seek to abide together in your love. Amen.

Reflection

Pastor Iwy

Hoving Home Program

(Children will go to Sunday School after first song)

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:

“We are Marching”

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*Commission and Blessing:

Live for God every moment of every day.

Take time to bow down in gratitude for God’s love.

We seek to live as people who know God.

Because we are loved, we dare to love others.

Do not be afraid to witness to your growing faith.

Do not hesitate to show the fruits of abiding in Christ.

We will turn to the perfect love that casts out fear.

We will tell of that love to future generations.

You have been equipped and empowered by love.

God is filling your life with purpose and energy.

We love because God first loved us.

We go out to serve as Christ has shown us. Amen. Amen.

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*The flowers on the altar are given by the Casey Family
“In celebration of Kathy and Lisa’s birthdays”*

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Serving Today:

Acolytes:

Children of the Church

Crib & Toddler Care:

Bonnie Hutta

Coffee Hour Hosts:

Luncheon with the Hoving Home ladies

Greeters:

Bill Carlock and Lynne Schrot

Ushers:

Debbie Vesuvio and Pat Golanec

Today:

12-2:00 p.m. Youth Group

Monday:

6:30 p.m. Women’s Small Group

Tuesday:

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

Wednesday:

10:30 a.m. Small Group 1

Thursday:

11-11:30 a.m. Prayer Group Chapel

Friday:

10:00 a.m. Small Group 2, 11:00 a.m. Crafts for a Cause GP Room

Saturday:

6:00 a.m. Breakfast Run into NYC; 8:00 a.m. Men’s Group

9:30 a.m. Small Group Leaders

Next Sunday:

During worship, induction of new members and four baptisms

12-2 Youth in Upper Room

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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