

# United Methodist Church at Shrub Oak

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**September 1, 2019**

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**10:30 a.m. Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost**

*\*Please rise in body and/or spirit.*

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

## “HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY”

*“We strive to **GROW** in a relationship with God through Worship, Prayer and Study. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we seek to make Christ’s love known as we **CONNECT** and **SERVE** others.”*

### Prelude

### Parish Concerns, Announcements, and Praise

### Opening Prayer (In Unison)

Gracious God, our helper, we seek the assurance of your presence in this time of worship. We have come to listen and to receive your counsel. Melt our stubborn hearts to remove the barriers that keep us from seeing your glory and doing your will. Challenge all that is worthless and unprofitable in our lives that we may become worthy imitators of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

**\*Opening Hymn:** “Gather Us In” FWS #2236

**Scripture Reading:** Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

**\*Gospel Reading:** Luke 14:1, 7-14

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

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Anthem:** “Be Not Afraid”

**Offering of Gifts and Tithes**

**The Offertory:** “Together We Serve” (verses 1 & 2) FWS #2175

**\*The Doxology**

*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**

Gracious God, in joyous thanksgiving for the banquet of life, we bring a portion of our resources before you. Help us to use these offerings through ministry for the sake of our brothers and sisters who lack food, shelter, or medical care. We dedicate our time and abilities for your glory. Amen.

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

(Communion Hymns: UMH #618 & #174)

(Pre-school & Elementary age children will go to the GP Room)

**The Good News:** Pastor Iwy

**The Lord’s Prayer:** Pastor Iwy

*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:**  
**Commission and Blessing:**

“Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast”

UMH #339

Go forth as humble servants of Almighty God.

Those who humble themselves will be exalted.

**We have no right to boast before God or others.**

**We are simply privileged to share God’s bounty.**

When we give a banquet, let us invite those who cannot repay.

Let us give honor to persons not usually recognized.

**God has created us as sisters and brothers to all.**

**Everyone is a child of God, deserving of our attention.**

God, who blesses our worship, will bless our service.

God will feed us with spiritual food that satisfies.

**How good it is to walk in the ways God leads us!**

**How satisfying to drink from the fountain of living water! Amen. Amen.**

**Postlude:**

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*The flowers on the altar are given by Rachel Ward Pinto*

*"God Bless all those returning to school and college.*

*In Loving Memory of John Ward/Dad and Grandpa”*

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**Serving Today:**

*Acolytes:*

Children of the Church

*Coffee Hour:*

Fernando Arias

*Greeters:*

Kathy Schiavi & Fernando Arias

*Ushers:*

Annette Reynolds, Joy Santaroni, Patti Scozzari & Debbie Vesuvio

Today:

**12:00 noon Choir Practice**

Monday:

**6:30 pm Women’s Small Group, GP Room**

Tuesday:

**10:00 am Bible Study, GP Room**

Wednesday:

**10:30 am Small Group 1; 7:00 pm Mission Possible Meeting, GP Room**

Thursday:

**11:00 am Prayer Group, Chapel**

Friday:

**10:00 am Small Group 2; 11:00 am Crafts for a Cause, GP Room**

Saturday:

**8:00 – 9:30 am Men’s Group; 9:30 am Small Group Leaders, GP Room**

Next Sunday:

**Sunday School Registration, Kick-off Breakfast & Blessing of Back Packs; Youth Group Resumes**

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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