

**United Methodist Church at Shrub Oak - ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 – Ninth Sunday After Pentecost**

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The flowers on the altar are given by blessed and happy grandparents, Deborah Vesuvio and Philip Santoro along with Joanne and Joseph DeMaria, “In grateful praise and celebration of the baptism and gift of our grandson, Roman.”

**GREETING**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: Come, out of your busy lives to a quiet time and place

**P: Our souls thirst for some peace and quiet.**

L: Come, and rest in the Lord who will restore your souls.

**P: Our lives need moments of rest.**

L: Come and find the quiet center. Come, be at peace.

**P: Praise God who offers to us a shelter and resting place. AMEN.**

**PRAISE & WORSHIP**

**PRAISE SHARING**

**OPENING PRAYER:**

Lord, we gather here this morning with lives that are filled with activity and movement. We rush from one thing to another as though we are going to run out of time to accomplish everything. Help us to let go of the hectic times and the stresses and find our rest in you. Relax our spirits and refresh our souls. Remind us that there will always be things to do and places to go, but that we need the rest of spirit that you provide. AMEN.

**OPENING HYMN:** “The Church’s One Foundation” – UMH #545 (vs. 1,2,4,&5)

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Psalm 46 (NIV)

Ephesians 2:11-22 (NIV)

**BAPTISMAL COVENANT II:** UMH – Pg. 39

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

*~ Sacrament of Holy Baptism ~*

*7-21-2024*



*Roman Joseph DeMaría*

*Born January 5, 2024*

*At Northern Westchester Hospital*

*To Parents Jessica Santoro and Joseph DeMaría Jr.*

*Sponsors:*

*Rose Marie DeMaría and Frank George Santoro*

*Grandparents:*

*Joanne and Joseph DeMaría*

*Deborah Vesuvio and Philip Santoro*

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION:** (*children will be dismissed right after*)

**HYMN of PREPARATION:** “Come and Find the Quiet Center“- FWS #2218

**GOSPEL:** Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 (NIV)

**SERMON:** Rest a While With The Lord

1. Come With Me By Yourselfes
2. Be Still And Rest
3. Receive a Healing Touch

**RESPONSE:** “Oh Lord, You’re Beautiful” – FWS #2064

**PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD’S PRAYER**

**OFFERTORY:** “Come To The River”

**DOXOLOGY**

**CLOSING HYMN:** “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” – UMH #140

**BENEDICTION:**

You are God’s beloved people, refreshed, restored, forgiven and healed. Go now into this world confident in the gifts God has given you. Go to serve God’s people, bringing words of peace and hope to all whom you meet. AMEN.

<https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/2949/worship-connection-july-21-2024>

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

### **Psalm 46** (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

<sup>2</sup> Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,

<sup>3</sup> though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

<sup>4</sup> There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells.

<sup>5</sup> God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.

<sup>6</sup> Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

<sup>7</sup> The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

<sup>8</sup> Come and see what the LORD has done, the desolations he has brought on the earth.

<sup>9</sup> He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth. He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

<sup>10</sup> He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

<sup>11</sup> The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

## **Ephesians 2:11-22** (NIV)

<sup>11</sup> Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called “uncircumcised” by those who call themselves “the circumcision” (which is done in the body by human hands)—

<sup>12</sup> remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world.

<sup>13</sup> But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

<sup>14</sup> For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility,

<sup>15</sup> by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace,

<sup>16</sup> and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility.

<sup>17</sup> He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near.

<sup>18</sup> For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

<sup>19</sup> Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God’s people and also members of his household,

<sup>20</sup> built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.

<sup>21</sup> In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord.

<sup>22</sup> And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

## **GOSPEL READING**

### **Mark 6:30-34, 53-56** (NIV)

<sup>30</sup> The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught.

<sup>31</sup> Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, “Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.”

<sup>32</sup> So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place.

<sup>33</sup> But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them.

<sup>34</sup> When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.

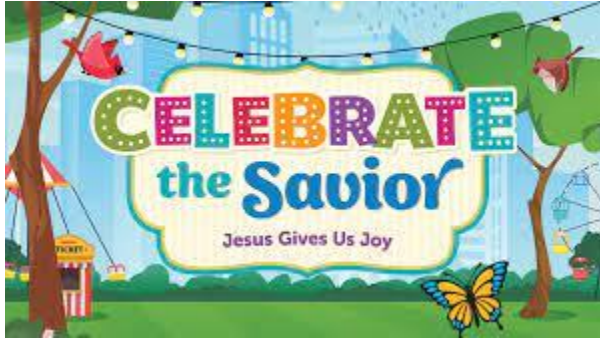
<sup>53</sup> When they had crossed over, they landed at Gennesaret and anchored there.

<sup>54</sup> As soon as they got out of the boat, people recognized Jesus.

<sup>55</sup> They ran throughout that whole region and carried the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was.

<sup>56</sup> And wherever he went—into villages, towns or countryside—they placed the sick in the marketplaces. They begged him to let them touch even the edge of his cloak, and all who touched it were healed.

# Vacation Bible School is *Finally* Here!



**This Monday**, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, is the kick-off of VBS! We are so grateful for the opportunity to bring back this wonderful tradition and excited about this time of fun and fellowship with our young people and community. This is a summer church outreach focused on giving kids a fun and creative place to learn about the

Bible and to build relationships with other kids and churches in the area. VBS offers the church fun and creative methods of teaching kids and youth Christ-like values and relationship-building skills. It is an excellent outreach tool into the community—a way to invite those who do not normally attend to come into the church, get involved, and build relationships with others and with Jesus Christ. This year's theme is, "Celebrate The Savior", and includes games, snacks, crafts, skits, and, of course, Bible lessons! We will continue to accept registrations right up to that day so please invite and encourage others to attend.

We invite you to come join us the week of July 22<sup>nd</sup> through the 26<sup>th</sup>. It begins with an optional light supper from 4:30 - 5:00 and then VBS activities from 5:00-7:30 pm. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors!

Registration forms are in the sanctuary, breezeway, and the GP Room; or you can contact Linda Hoernes, Pastor Sandy, or call the church office.

## UMCSO SCHEDULE

Zoom links are included in Mailchimp. Please contact us with your email (umcso.ny@gmail.com) or call 914-245-4682 if you would like to receive Mailchimp emails.

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP** Weekly meetings resume 9/9/24

**MORNING BIBLE STUDY:** Weekly meetings resume 9/10/24

**EVENING BIBLE STUDY:** Weekly meetings resume 9/10/24

**SMALL GROUP 1:** Wednesday, 1:00 pm (ZOOM)

**PRAYER GROUP:** Thursday, 11:00 am (Chapel)

**EVENING BIBLE STUDY:** Thursdays, 7:30 pm with Pastor Sandy (ZOOM). (See link below).

**SMALL GROUP 2:** Friday, 10:00 am (phone 1-267-807-9495; 656355452#)

**CRAFTS FOR A CAUSE:** Friday, 11:00 am - 12 noon (various homes)

**MEN'S GROUP:** Saturday 8:00 am (ZOOM)

**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:** 9:30 am in the GP room (In person)

**SMALL GROUP LEADERS MTG:** Saturday, August 3rd, 9:30 am

**TRUSTEES MEETING:** Monthly meetings resume on Sept. 2nd

### Pastor Sandy Mantz invites you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Bible Study

Date/Time: Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2610447551?pwd=MXVIUGgvOFRrS3RZNVB2a0plRi8rUT09>

Meeting ID: 261 044 7551

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: It's Finally Here!!!** VBS begins This Monday July 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will accept registrations right up to then so please encourage friends and family to come!

**COMING UP IN AUGUST:** There will be an in-person Church Ad Council meeting on Wednesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00 pm. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

### REACH US ON FACEBOOK

United Methodist Church at Shrub Oak

<https://www.facebook.com/Blessedassurancetoday>

There is a link to the Church's website  
Pastor Sandy will post inspirational verses regularly.

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#### This Week's B'days:

Jacqueline Arias 7/24

#### Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week