

United Methodist Church at Shrub Oak - ORDER OF WORSHIP
November 10th, 2024 – Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers on the altar are given by Susan Crookston, “ In loving memory of her Mom, Theresa Swegel, and Grandmother Carmela Federico.”

GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: What joy it is to have you here today!

P: We have come from very busy lives, filled both with joys and difficulties.

L: Welcome to this place in which God will ease your burdens and celebrate your joys with you.

P: We have come to find hope and peace in our lives.

L: Whatever has happened this week in your life, know that God is with you and offering you peace, rest and blessing.

P: Open our hearts and our spirits, O Lord, to hear your words of comfort , peace and blessings. AMEN

PRAISE & WORSHIP

PRAISE SHARING

OPENING PRAYER:

Lord, we have come to you this day bringing all that we have, our lives, our hopes and dreams, our fears and sorrows. We place these before you in faith and hope, knowing that no matter what has happened you are with us and blessing us. Open our hearts to receive your words and your spirit, that we may find healing and comfort. Open our lives to the wondrous possibilities for service and joy that you offer to us. Ease our minds and spirits that we may hear the words of encouragement and peace this day. AMEN.

OPENING HYMN: “ Holy, Holy, Holy” – UMH #64

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Gracious God, so often we look at ourselves, our gifts and our talents, and wonder what you would do with these offerings. We don't think that we have much to give. So, far too many times, we belittle the gifts and turn our backs on the needs and opportunities present to serve, believing that our gifts cannot possibly make a difference. We think that we must possess the greatest of talents and wealth in order to truly please and serve you. Forgive us when we stop listening to your healing and comforting words and focus on our anxieties. Heal us, Lord. Help us know that you have given to us such blessings and that these blessings are truly wonderful and meant to be used to bring joy and serve others. Help us to bring our lives, just as they are, to you and to receive your gentle touch and healing grace. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

SILENT CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE:

Hear the good news:

God has given to each one of us such blessings and talents. With joy we bring these gifts to God. You are blessed by God's absolute love for you. Rejoice in that love and find healing and hope. AMEN.

SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 6:1-8 (NIV)
Colossians 3:12-17 (NIV)

HYMN of PREPARATION: "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" – UMH #133

GOSPEL: Matthew 28:16-20 (NIV)

SERMON: Follow, Trust, and Serve

1. Our Mission
2. Our Messy Life
3. Go Forth With Joy

RESPONSE: "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me" – FWS #2151

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: “God Bless America“

DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD’S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN: “My Hope Is Built” – UMH #368

BENEDICTION:

You have heard the words of healing and of peace. You have been blessed by the Spirit of God. Go now into God's world to be the spirit of hope, peace and blessing for others, knowing that God is always with you. Go in peace. AMEN.

<https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/3218/worship-connection-november-10-2024>

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 6:1-8 (NIV)

⁶ In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple.

² Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying.

³ And they were calling to one another: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴ At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke.

⁵ "Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty."

⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar.

⁷ With it he touched my mouth and said, "See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for."

⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

Colossians 3:12-17 (NIV)

¹² Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

¹³ Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

¹⁶ Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.

¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 28:16-20 (NIV)

¹⁶ Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go.

¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted.

¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

MORE UPCOMING



November

9th: Craft day to prepare for Craft Fair, 2 pm - 4 pm in the GP room

23rd: Charge Conference, 10:00 am, at Peekskill UMC

24th: Packing of Harvest Baskets following service

NWCP Thanksgiving Service at Grace UMC, 4:00 pm

December

1st: Trim a Tree (12pm – 3pm with pizza lunch)

7th: Craft Fair and Bake Sale 10:00 am – 2:00 pm (Sign-up sheet in breezeway)

8th: Caroling at the mall (following worship)

14th: Cookie Swap – 12-3 pm (A sign-up sheet is posted in the breezeway)

21st: Tres Dias Christmas Secuela 2:00 pm in the GP Room

Live Nativity 5:30 pm (meal in Parish hall)

22nd: Christmas Pageant

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: Monday, 7:00 pm (Zoom)

MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Tuesday, 10:00 am, GP Room

EVENING BIBLE STUDY: Tuesday, 7:00 pm (Zoom)

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#)

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, Nov. 16th, 9:30 am

TRUSTEES MEETING: **This month's Trustees meeting has been rescheduled for Mon., Nov 11th.** First Monday of every month, 7:30 pm (Zoom)

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

TRUSTEES MEETING: This month's Trustees meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, Nov. 11th

HARVEST BASKETS: We will be sponsoring our annual Harvest Basket outreach program to support those in our local community who may be in need this holiday season. If you'd like to donate, we accept non-perishable foods (as listed below) or monetary donations toward an ACME gift card intended for purchasing a Thanksgiving turkey. We kindly request all donations be received by, **November 24th**. The bags will be packed in the GP Room on that day for delivery on Tues, Nov 26th. If you would like to gift a check or cash, please contact Kathy Casey at: luminany@aol.com

Suggestions: Cranberry Sauce, Canned vegetables, Canned Yams, Boxes of Stuffing, Boxes/Pouches of Mashed Potatoes, Jars/Pouches of Gravy, Canned Fruit, Boxes/Pouches of Brownie, or Cookie Mix. We thank you in advance for your generosity and look forward to another year of this great mission.

CAN YOU HELP?: The Missions and Outreach Committee is looking for a few people to head up an expansion of the Angel Tree program as well as an event building Blessing Bags to help the homeless and needy in our community. If you'd like to get involved in these worthwhile ministries please contact Cory Casey or Pastor Sandy.

CRAFT DAY: Saturday, Nov. 9th from 2 - 4 pm in the GP Room; for anyone who would like to work on their crafts in preparation for the Craft Fair.

CHARGE CONFERENCE: Saturday, Nov. 23rd, 10:00 am at Peekskill UMC

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.

This Week's B'days:

Carmery Battle	11/10
Donovan Matthews	11/10
Charlie Donadio	11/13
Pastor Iwy Patel	11/13
Emily Galecki	11/15
Debra Ruth Mancusi	11/16

Anniversaries:

Debra Ruth and Mike Mancusi 11/16
