

**United Methodist Church at Shrub Oak**  
**February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – Fifth Sunday After Epiphany**

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The flowers on the altar are given by the Church for the Glory of God!

**GREETING**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

The voice of God is calling:

“Whom shall I send?”

**We are here to answer God’s call.**

The voice of Christ is calling:

“Who will be my faithful disciples?”

**We are here to answer Christ’s call.**

The voice of the Spirit is calling:

“Who will be a light to the nations?”

**We are here. Send us, we pray! Amen**

**PRAISE & WORSHIP**

**PRAISE SHARING**

**OPENING PRAYER:**

Your wisdom, O God is as unfathomable as the deep and as alluring as the night sky. When all seems lost, call us from the wreckage of our lives.

Grant us the ability and the will to hear your call and bless us with the grace to embrace your promised salvation. Help us face our fears, that we might remain sure-footed on our journey of faith. Amen.

**OPENING HYMN:** “Holy, Holy, Holy” - UMH #64

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

Almighty God, we are a people of unclean lips and live among a people of unclean lips. We are more accustomed to spreading gossip than we are to singing, “Holy, holy, holy.” Yet, we long to be made new and whole this day. Breathe your Holy Spirit upon us and call us to follow you once more. As the disciples left their fishing boats, may we leave the comfort of familiar shores. Work through us in the power of your Son, that all people might be brought to your glory.

Amen.

## **SILENT CONFESSION**

### **WORDS OF ASSURANCE:**

Hear the good news, our names have been written  
in the book of life. Thanks be to God!

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Isaiah 6:1-8 (NIV)

Psalm 138 (NIV)

## **CHILDREN'S MOMENTS**

**HYMN of PREPARATION:** "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" –

UMH # 344

**GOSPEL:** Luke 5:1-11 (NIV)

**SERMON:** Into Deep Water

1. Willingness
2. Hears Our Cries
3. Fearless Followers

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

## **OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY:** We Come To Worship

**DOXOLOGY:**

## **PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER**

**CLOSING HYMN:** "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" - FWS #2129

**BENEDICTION:**

L: Do not fear the turbulent waters of faith.

**P: Christ is with us in the boat.**

L: Do not avoid the dangers of the deep.

**P: God is with us on the journey.**

L: Do not doubt your ability to reach the lost.

**P: The Spirit blesses us with a bountiful catch. Amen**

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## **SCRIPTURE READING**

### **Isaiah 6:1-8** (NIV)

<sup>6</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

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

<sup>5</sup> "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."

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

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

<sup>8</sup> 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!"

## **Psalm 138** (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart; before the “gods” I will sing your praise.

<sup>2</sup> I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name  
for your unfailing love and your faithfulness, for you have so exalted your  
solemn decree that it surpasses your fame.

<sup>3</sup> When I called, you answered me; you greatly emboldened me.

<sup>4</sup> May all the kings of the earth praise you, Lord, when they hear what you  
have decreed.

<sup>5</sup> May they sing of the ways of the Lord, for the glory of the Lord is great.

<sup>6</sup> Though the Lord is exalted, he looks kindly on the lowly; though lofty, he  
sees them from afar.

<sup>7</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life. You stretch out  
your hand against the anger of my foes; with your right hand you save me.

<sup>8</sup> The Lord will vindicate me; your love, Lord, endures forever— do not  
abandon the works of your hands.

## **GOSPEL READING**

### **Luke 5:1-11** (NIV)

<sup>5</sup> One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God.

<sup>2</sup> He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets.

<sup>3</sup> He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

<sup>4</sup> When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch."

<sup>5</sup> Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets."

<sup>6</sup> When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break.

<sup>7</sup> So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

<sup>8</sup> When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!"

<sup>9</sup> For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken,

<sup>10</sup> and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people."

<sup>11</sup> So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

## **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)

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

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

**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 MEETING:** Saturday, Feb 15th at 9:30 am.  
(ZOOM)

**TRUSTEE'S MEETING:** First Monday of every month, at 7:30 pm (Zoom)

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### **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=MXVIUGgvOFRrS3RZNVB2a0pIRi8rUT09>

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

**GAME NIGHT:** The Northern Westchester Cooperative Parish will host their 1<sup>st</sup> annual game night here on Friday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the GP Room. Pizza will be served

**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING:** Is Sunday, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, following worship and during coffee hour.

**CRAFT GROUP:** Will meet on Feb. 9th following worship to discuss future plans.

**AD COUNCIL MEETING:** Thursday, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm (Zoom)

(changed from original date of Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>)

**EDUCATION MEETING:** Sunday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> following worship

**ASH WED:** March 5, 2025

**LENTEN BONFIRE/POT TRUST DINNER:** This year's Lenten Bonfire and Pot Trust dinner will take place on March 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. There will be a sign-up sheet in the breezeway if you'd like to bring a soup or a salad to share. (No Desserts) All are welcome!

**CONFIRMATION:** There will be a Confirmation class this year for anyone 7<sup>th</sup> grade or older. Please speak to Pastor Sandy for more details.



## **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:**

**2/9:** Anne Bradley

Veronica Rosario

**2/10:** Stella Johnson-Ganey

John Reed

Patty Robcke

**2/11:** Ruth O'Neal

Ben Robcke

**2/12:** Stephanie Spina

**2/15:** Linda Stella

**No Anniversaries this week**