

United Methodist Church at Shrub Oak - ORDER OF WORSHIP
November 2, 2025 – Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints Sunday/Holy Communion

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers on the altar are given by Debbie Vesuvio, “In memory of all our loved ones in heaven and in honor of all those who carry their loss in their daily journey of faith.”

GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: Blessed are you, O Lord our God,
for you have set before us a great cloud of witnesses.

P: We praise you for the saints who taught us faith, who showed us love,
and who now rest in you.

L: You have wiped away every tear from their eyes;
you make all things new.

P: We lift our eyes to you,
the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.

L: Come, let us worship the God of resurrection hope. Amen

PRAISE & WORSHIP: “Blessed Be Your Name” - Halos

PRAISE SHARING

OPENING PRAYER:

Eternal God, before whom generations rise and pass away, we praise you for all your servants who, having lived this life in faith, now live eternally with you. We thank you for their witness—for words spoken and deeds done, for quiet acts of kindness and courage, for the light they carried that still shines in us. Amen

OPENING HYMN: “When the Saints Go Marching In” - Halos

SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 25:6-9 (NIV)

Ephesians 1:11-23 (NIV)

A TIME OF REMEMBRANCE:



All Saint's Day 2025

² My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? ~ John 14:2

Today we remember the following loved ones and friends, as well as all that have gone before us:

John Gilbert Jr.	1/11/2025
Doris Shields	5/15/2025
Linda Everding	9/16/2025
Mayfred McClelland	9/21/2025
Albert T. Closi	7/11/2025
Linda Gordon	8/5/2025
Berger Peterson	2/4/2025
Mary Schlitzer	7/9/2025
Burton Lino	12/3/2024
Dativa Martinez	4/24/2025

HOLY COMMUNION (*Children will be dismissed right after*)

HYMN of PREPARATION: “Open the Eyes of my Heart”

GOSPEL: Luke 6:20-31 (NIV)

SERMON: A Glorious Inheritance

1. The Lord Does, and Will, Wipe our Tears
2. Trust God for Wisdom and Power
3. We are Blessed Indeed

RESPONSE HYMN: “Shall we Gather at the River” – UMH #723

OFFERTORY: “Of My Hands” - Halos

DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD’S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN: “When We All Get to Heaven” – UMH #701

BENEDICTION:

L: Go now in the company of the saints, to love and serve the Lord with gladness.

P: We go, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, strengthened by the Spirit of Christ.

L: And may the blessing of God— Father, Son, and Holy Spirit— be upon you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

<https://www.pastorjasonelder.com/liturgy/liturgy-for-all-saints-sunday-year-c-luke>

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 25:6-9 (NIV)

On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine—the best of meats and the finest of wines.

⁷ On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations;

⁸ he will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. The LORD has spoken.

⁹ In that day they will say, "Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the LORD, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation."

Ephesians 1:11-23 (NIV)

¹¹ In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will,

¹² in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory.

¹³ And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit,

¹⁴ who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵ For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people,

¹⁶ I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers.

¹⁷ I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better.

¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people,

¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength

²⁰ he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms,

²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come

. ²² And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church,

²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 6:20-31 (NIV)

²⁰ Looking at his disciples, he said: “Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

²² Blessed are you when people hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man.

²³ “Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

²⁴ “But woe to you who are rich, for you have already received your comfort.

²⁵ Woe to you who are well fed now, for you will go hungry. Woe to you who laugh now, for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

²⁷ “But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,

²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.

²⁹ If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them.

³⁰ Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back.

³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you.

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 (In Person)

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)

TRUSTEE'S MEETING: First Monday of every month. Next: Monday, November 3rd, 7:00 pm (Zoom)

SMALL GROUP LEADERS MTG: Saturday, November 1st and 15th, 9:30 am (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

Passcode: 246240

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ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Sunday, Nov. 2nd is All Saints Sunday. Please submit the names of loved ones (who've passed since Nov. 3rd 2024) to the Church office by Thurs. October 30th if you'd like to have their names read in Church.

OPEN HOUSE AT THE PARSONAGE

Also on Nov. 2nd is the Open House at the Parsonage. Please come by and visit and bring something to share. The sign-up sheet is in the breezeway.



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Bowling Fellowship Sundays!

Location: Jefferson Valley Bowling Lanes
Sundays (Start date: October 26 or November 2)

Time: 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Warm-up: 1:30 – 1:40 PM

Bowling begins: 1:50 PM

Cost: \$23 per person

Duration: 16 weeks — includes 3 games each week, prizes, and a dinner celebration at the end of the season!

Whether you're a seasoned bowler or simply looking for fellowship and fun, all are welcome! Bring your family and friends and be part of this joyful new ministry. Sign up today and let's roll together in faith and friendship!

For more information or to sign up, contact:

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Beverly Martinez

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Bowling Fellowship Sundays!

We hope you'll join us for these upcoming Sundays of continued fellowship and fun. You can sign up in the breezeway or contact Wesley Battle Sr. for more information.



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 23rd**. We also ask that you check the "best by" dates to ensure freshness for Thanksgiving. The bags will be packed in the GP Room on that day for delivery. 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.



FALL CRAFT FAIR

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BAKE SALE

Sunday, November 15, 2025

9:00 am – 3:00 pm



**PLEASE COME OUT TO BROWSE, SHOP,
OR JUST TO SUPPORT THE MANY
CREATIVE TALENTS OF THIS CHURCH
FAMILY. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**

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OPEN HOUSE AT THE PARSONAGE: Sunday, November 2nd, following worship, we will gather for fellowship at the Parsonage for the annual Open House. Please see the sign up sheet in the breezeway to bring something to share.

AD COUNCIL MEETING: Wednesday, Nov. 5th at 7 pm (GP Room)

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: If you have a child going into 7th grade, please speak to Pastor Sandy or Kathy Casey regarding upcoming confirmation classes.

A NOTE ABOUT PRAYER REQUESTS: If you have prayers you would like put out on the Church Prayer Chain please submit them directly to Fran Maddalone at: fmm515@aol.com. If you send it anywhere else it will not be seen or posted in a timely manner.

JOE SPINA'S ADDRESS: Anyone wanting to reach out to Joe with prayers, encouragement, and warm thoughts from home can send them to:

RCT Spina, Joseph
Kilo Co 3rd RTBN, Platoon #3100
Box 16330
Parris Island, SC 29905-6330

YOUNG ADULT GROUP FORMING! We are excited to be starting a Young Adult Group at UMCSO this fall! If you are a young adult, please fill out this survey so we can find a good time for our first meeting. If you know of a young adult who may be interested, please forward this link to them, or have them speak to Pastor Sandy or Lisa Grace. We look forward to growing this new ministry!

[Young Adult Meeting Survey](#)

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<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 Birthdays:

Albert Closi	11/02
Nigel Ferreira	11/03
Caroline Matthews	11/03
Ricky Haigh III	11/05
Daniel Pinto	11/05
Patricia Antonucci	11/07
Susan Closi	11/07
Anthony Supino Jr.	11/07

No Anniversaries This Week