

**United Methodist Church at Shrub Oak - ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**November 9, 2025 – Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The flowers on the altar are given by the Church, “In Honor and Praise of the Lord, our Savior, who loves us with an everlasting and unfailing Love.”

**GREETING**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: Bless the Lord at all times.

**P: Let everyone bless God.**

L: Praise the Lord continually.

**P: Let everyone praise Christ.**

L: Our souls boast in the Lord.

**P: We boast in the Spirit’s greatness.**

L: With one voice, we magnify and exalt the Lord,  
for God has delivered us and made us whole.

**P: Exalt our God, the Lord of life. Amen**

**PRAISE & WORSHIP**

**PRAISE SHARING**

**OPENING PRAYER**

Great Triune God, through Jesus Christ, our great and eternal High Priest, we give you praise and consecrate ourselves to follow you. As we worship you and celebrate your glorious resurrection, open our eyes so that we may see — open the eyes of our mind to learning and understanding; open the eyes of our heart, to love and compassion; open the eyes of our soul, to see our spiritual selves during our time of worship. Amen.

**OPENING HYMN:** “Open My Eyes That I May See” - UMH #454

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Mystical, transcendent God, there is so much of life we simply do not know. In our arrogance, we utter what we do not understand. Rescue us, O Lord, from our afflictions. Restore us, O God, from our self-inflicted wounds. Have mercy on us, Son of David, Son of God, and save us by your unending intercession.

## **SILENT CONFESSION**

### **WORDS OF ASSURANCE:**

Cry out to Christ, our great High Priest,  
for he has saved us. Our faith has made us well, brought us forgiveness,  
and granted us peace. Amen.

### **SCRIPTURE READING:** Psalm 17 (NIV)

Hebrews 7:23-28 (NIV)

### **CHILDREN'S MOMENTS** *(Children will be dismissed right after)*

### **HYMN of PREPARATION:** "Be Thou My Vision" – UMH #451

### **GOSPEL:** Mark 10:46-52 (NIV)

### **SERMON:** "The Apple of God's Eye"

1. Call Upon the Lord
2. The Lord WILL Meet Your Need
3. Open Your Eyes

### **RESPONSE HYMN:** "Cares Chorus" – FWS #2215 (2x)

### **OFFERTORY:** "God Bless America"

### **DOXOLOGY**

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

### **CLOSING HYMN:** "I'll Fly Away" – UMH #2282

### **BENEDICTION:**

L: Go! Your faith has made you well.

**P: We go, knowing that our faith  
has been made stronger.**

L: Go! Follow him on the way.

**P: We go, knowing Jesus is the way. Amen**

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

### **Psalm 17** (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> Hear me, LORD, my plea is just; listen to my cry. Hear my prayer— it does not rise from deceitful lips.

<sup>2</sup> Let my vindication come from you; may your eyes see what is right.

<sup>3</sup> Though you probe my heart, though you examine me at night and test me, you will find that I have planned no evil; my mouth has not transgressed.

<sup>4</sup> Though people tried to bribe me, I have kept myself from the ways of the violent  
through what your lips have commanded.

<sup>5</sup> My steps have held to your paths; my feet have not stumbled.

<sup>6</sup> I call on you, my God, for you will answer me; turn your ear to me and hear my prayer.

<sup>7</sup> Show me the wonders of your great love, you who save by your right hand those who take refuge in you from their foes.

<sup>8</sup> Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings

<sup>9</sup> from the wicked who are out to destroy me, from my mortal enemies who surround me.

### **Hebrews 7:23-28** (NIV)

<sup>23</sup> Now there have been many of those priests, since death prevented them from continuing in office;

<sup>24</sup> but because Jesus lives forever, he has a permanent priesthood.

<sup>25</sup> Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

<sup>26</sup> Such a high priest truly meets our need—one who is holy, blameless, pure, set apart from sinners, exalted above the heavens.

<sup>27</sup> Unlike the other high priests, he does not need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for the sins of the people. He sacrificed for their sins once for all when he offered himself.

<sup>28</sup> For the law appoints as high priests men in all their weakness; but the oath, which came after the law, appointed the Son, who has been made perfect forever.

## **GOSPEL READING**

### **Mark 10:46-52** (NIV)

<sup>46</sup> Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means “son of Timaeus”), was sitting by the roadside begging.

<sup>47</sup> When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”

<sup>48</sup> Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!”

<sup>49</sup> Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.” So they called to the blind man, “Cheer up! On your feet! He’s calling you.”

<sup>50</sup> Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

<sup>51</sup> “What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asked him. The blind man said, “Rabbi, I want to see.”

<sup>52</sup> “Go,” said Jesus, “your faith has healed you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

## **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, December 1st, 7:00 pm (Zoom)

**SMALL GROUP LEADERS MTG:** Saturday, December 6th, 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

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***Congratulations***  
***Private Joseph Spina!***

**Heartfelt prayers and congratulations to Joe, who has graduated from Basic Training and is now a full-fledged Marine!**

**May God go with him into every assignment, guard him fiercely, and protect him always.**

**Joe's address will be changing in the coming weeks and we will post that information when we get it. In the meantime, cards, letters, etc. can be sent to John and Gayle and they will see to it that he gets them.**

**Please continue to pray for Joe and the Spina and Bucher families.**

**John and Gayle Spina**

**60 Ridge Rd.**

**Garrison, NY 10524**



**ANNUAL**  
**FALL CRAFT FAIR**  
**&**  
**BAKE SALE**

**Saturday, November 15, 2025**

**9:00 am – 3:00 pm**

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





## **Become a Holy Roller!! Bowling Fellowship Sundays Have Begun!**

Join in the fun of our Bowling Fellowship Sundays! The group, now known as **"The UMCSO Holy Rollers,"** meets on Sunday at JV Lanes and all are welcome. See the sign-up sheet in the breezeway or contact Wesley Battle Sr. (914-837-4835) for more information.

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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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**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 23<sup>rd</sup>**. 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](mailto: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.

**SMALL GROUP LEADERS MEETING:** There will be no Small Group Leaders Meeting on Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> due to the Craft Fair. Meetings will resume next month on Dec. 6th

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

**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](#)**

## **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 Birthdays:**

Carmery Battle	11/10
Donovan Matthews	11/10
Khloe Francis	11/11
Charlie Donadio	11/13
Pastor Iwy Yatri	11/13
Norman Reid	11/13
Emily Galecki	11/15

### **No Anniversaries This Week**