United Methodist Church at Shrub Oak
November 1, 2026
All Saints Sunday/Holy Communion

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers on the altar are given by June Willis, "In remembrance and observance of her late husband, Robb Willis' 30th anniversary in heaven."

CALL TO WORSHIP:
L: Bless the Lord at all times.
P: Praise God's holy name.
L: Magnify the Lord with hearts full of devotion.
P: Sing of God's glory with tongues full of song.
L: Seek the Lord of love.
P: We will worship the living God. Amen

PRAISE AND WORSHIP HYMN: "Build My Life" – The Halos

PRAISE SHARING

OPENING PRAYER:
God of mercy and grace, shower us with your loving kindness. Fashion us into the saints you call us to be. Love us abundantly, that others may see your kindness and joy reflected in our lives. Bless us with your abiding presence, that we may shine as saints of your holy love. Amen.

OPENING HYMN: "I'll Fly Away" – FWS #2282

SCRIPTURE READING: Revelation 7:9-17 (NIV)
1 John 3:1-3 (NIV)

A TIME OF REMEMBRANCE:



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[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, and all that have gone before us:

Jean Engel	*November 17, 2025*
Grace Lois Rispoli	*April 14, 2026*
Carol Matthews	*May 2, 2026*
Donna Curry	*August 25, 2026*

HOLY COMMUNION *UMH #12 (Children will be dismissed right after)*

HYMN OF PREPARATION: "Blest Are They" – FWS #2155

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 5:1-12 (NIV)

SERMON: "White Robes of Eternal Hope"

1. There will be Singing and Praise
2. We Are the Children of Love
3. Know we are Blessed Indeed

RESPONSE HYMN: "Soon and Very Soon" - UMH #706

OFFERTORY HYMN: "When the Saints Go Marching In" - The Halos

DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN: "Marching to Zion" – UMH #733

BENEDICTION:
L: Blessed are you, beloved children of God.
P: We will walk in the love given to us.
L: Be a blessing to all God's children.
P: **We will serve others with the grace we have received.**
L: Walk in the footsteps of the saints of old.
P: **We will step gently upon the earth and leave puddles of light for others to follow. Amen.**

https://ministrymatters.com/2022-01-22_november_1_2023_all_saints_day/

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Revelation 7:9-17 (NIV)

9 After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands.

10 And they cried out in a loud voice: “Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.”

11 All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God,

12 saying: “Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!”

13 Then one of the elders asked me, “These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?”

14 I answered, “Sir, you know.” And he said, “These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

15 Therefore, “they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

16 ‘Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them,’ nor any scorching heat.

17 For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; ‘he will lead them to springs of living water.’ ‘And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.’”

1 John 3:1-3 (NIV)

3 See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. 3 All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:1-12 (NIV)

5 Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, 2 and he began to teach them.

He said:

3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

5 Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

7 Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

10 Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me.

12 Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

UMCSO WEEKLY 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.

WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP: Meets once a month at 7:00 pm on Zoom. Next meeting: November 16th.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Tuesday 10:00 am (In Person)

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

SMALL GROUP 1: Thursday, 12:30 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#)

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

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: 9:30 am in the GP room

TRUSTEE'S MEETING: First Monday of every month. Next: Nov. 2nd at 7:30 (Zoom)

SMALL GROUP LEADERS MTG: Next meeting**:** Saturday Nov.7th and 21st, 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=MXVlUGgvOFRrS3RZNVB2a0plRi8rUT09
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BREEZEWAY CONSTRUCTION: We are expecting the breezeway project to begin this week. We will keep you informed of any possible interruptions to foot traffic, parking, or weekly meetings.

AD COUNCIL MEETING: Wednesday November 4th at 7 pm on Zoom.

ANNUAL ASP WALK: Sign up to come walk, run, or stroll with us. Saturday, Oct. 31st at FDR Park, 9:30 am. You can sign up at www.runsignup.com/Katonahasp **or register there.**

CRAFT GROUP: Next meeting is: Sat. 11/7 at 10 am.

ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR: Saturday, November 14th, 9 am-3 pm.

GREETERS NEEDED:



There is an old quote that says, *"People will forget what you said, they will forget what you did, but they will never forget how you made them feel."*

We look forward to anyone who would be willing to be a Greeter on Sunday mornings to help welcome new faces and potential new members. Please sign up in the GP Room or speak to Pastor Sandy, Maxine Haigh, Debbie V, or Peter Hoernes.

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

Birthdays

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

No Anniversaries This Week