

**Pastor, Sandi Perl                      Elly Stempien, Organist**  
**Ron Miller, Choir Director   Noah Detar, Worship Leader**

## **WELCOME AND GREETING, ORGAN PRELUDE**

**\*SONG OF PRAISE (FWS) 2176 Make Me A Servant**

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE** - Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love. (Kids can sit in the front row with Pastor Sandi when they are finished greeting others)

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: As we read and hear of actions that shock us,

**C: As we read and hear of actions that raise huge questions,**

L: as we read and hear of actions that get our pulses racing,

**C: We come to listen and seek to understand... Amen.**

### **\*PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS**

**ALL: Gracious One, we are glad to meet here in this place, to freely worship you and be able to tell others about you. We pray for the men and women who live in fear of their lives, whose faith makes them targets, for people who would harm them.**

**BLUE EYES: Gentle One,** we are glad to have homes and plenty of food in the fridge and cupboards. We pray for those people who have no safe place to rest their head and who struggle to have enough to feed their families, especially those who go without so that their children can eat.

**GREEN EYES: Patient One,** we are glad to live in a country that knows peace, a place where it is safe to walk with friends and have little fear of violence. We pray for those souls who know only violence or the threat of violence, and we pray for those who sacrifice their own safety to keep others safe.

**BROWN EYES: Compassionate One,** we thank you for the comfort of family and friends and all who help us in difficult times. We pray for those souls who are desolate, who are in pain, anguish and beyond comfort, we pray for all who give of their time to volunteer to be at the end of a phone or to meet in an emergency to offer comfort and support.

**ALL: Generous One, we all have gifts to use— gifts of listening, healing, consoling, feeding— help us to use our gifts wisely, help us to be willing to sacrifice our time and talents so that we can serve you more fully in the world. Amen.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE (UMH) 577 God of Grace and God of Glory**

**PRAY TIME/PRAYER HYMN (FWS) 2160**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER –Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptations, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen**

### **PARTY WITH THE PREACHER**

**\*OFFERTORY/ DOXOLOGY (p 95)**

**Lord, receive our offerings. May they be acceptable to you. May we strive to be like Abraham, willing to sacrifice what we love the most. Take our offerings and use them for the benefit of your church, here in and in the wider world. Take all that we offer, may it be enough. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE: Genesis 21:1-3, 22:1-14 (p16)**

### **MESSAGE**

**CLOSING HYMN (UMH) 399 Take My Life and Let It Be**

**\*GOOD NEWS**

**God, our worship is ended. The stories have been told. God heard us, and now God sends us out, to live and love and be God's people today and always. Amen.**

**FWS –Faith We Sing                      UMH – United Methodist Hymnal**

**Join us for fellowship today after worship with our hosts' Ruth Ann and Verna**

## Thank You!!! Our Blanket Sunday collection for totaled \$360.00

**SERVING THIS WEEK (9/17/17) \* please be in the Choir Room at 8:50am for prayer.**

Greeters: Laura and Amos Hammond  
Ushers: Doug and Terry Fingar  
Scripture Reader: Ryan Andersen  
Fellowship: Ruth Ann MaKatura and Verna Boose  
Sunday School: Leah Dibble  
Counters: Ron Salyer and Aimee Perry  
Nursery: Amber Brady and Stacy Wyant  
Door Greeter: Gordon Bascom  
Prayer Minister: Gene James

**SERVING NEXT WEEK (9/24/17) \* please be in the Choir Room at 8:50am for prayer.**

Greeters: Sherri Hunt and Michele Covert  
Ushers: Dick Smith and Ernie Pinneo  
Scripture Reader: Stacy Wyant  
Fellowship: **Need Someone to Sign up**  
Sunday School: Marguerite Miller  
Counters: Marilyn James and Bill Sutherland  
Nursery: Phil Pearce and Breanna Summers  
Door Greeter: Leah Dibble  
Prayer Minister: Marilyn James

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**Thank you to everyone who made dresses!**

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