

Sandi Perl, Pastor Elly Stempien, Organist
Ron Miller, Choir Director Dick Smith, Worship Leader

WELCOME AND GREETING, ORGAN PRELUDE

***SONG OF PRAISE (FWS) 2152 Change My Heart O God**

***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)

Anthem Come Close To Me My Lord

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: God of the unlikely, the invisible, the unseen;

C: God of the neglected, rejected, unexpected;

L: God who creates all people in your image, who sees our promise, our potential, who looks beyond the outward and knows us, heart, mind, and soul: you have chosen us to be your people.

C: Awed, anointed by your Spirit, and gathered together this day, we worship you. Amen.

***MORNING PRAYER**

Lord, you have created a universe filled with natural beauty, the earth is exquisite in a million different ways. And yet many humans fail to see or enjoy it, instead they seek to enhance their natural beauty with lotions, potions, photoshop and surgery. Magazines and social media bombard us with images of fake beauty, of unnatural beauty. Lord, bring us to our senses, help us to rise above this unhealthy obsession with external beauty and perfection. Remind us that beauty comes from within, that real beauty is kindness, compassion, empathy, and love. May we learn to seek inner beauty when choosing our leaders, when electing officials, when selecting people to positions of power. Lord, in your mercy hear our prayers. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE (UMC) 382 Hove Thine Own Way Lord

PRAY TIME/PRAYER HYMN (FWS) 2215 Cares Chorus

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)**

Generous God, thank you for all that you have given us. Receive now our offerings this day; take and use them for the building of your kingdom. May they be a sign of all that we offer and may they remind us that all that we are and have comes from you. Amen.

SCRIPTURE: 1 Samuel 16:1-13 (p 259), Psalm 51:10-14 (p 520), John 7:24 (p 99)

MESSAGE

CLOSING HYMN (UMC) 389 Freely, Freely

***GOOD NEWS**

We have worshipped God. We have seen that God knows our deepest yearnings. We have heard that God knows our potential. We know that in all things, it is God who calls us 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' Marilyn Sands and Waneta Nielsen

SERVING THIS WEEK (10/22/17)

Greeters: Doug and Terry Fingar
Ushers: Pam Althouse and Barbara Bailey
Scripture Reader: Meredith Nielsen
Fellowship: Marilyn Sands and Wanetta Nielsen
Sunday School: Sarah Stackhouse
Counters: Elly Stempien and Pam Althouse
Nursery: Amber Brady and Stacy Wyant
Door Greeter: Andy Kenneda
Prayer Minister: Joyce Weidrich
(please join the choir at 8:50am)

SERVING NEXT WEEK (10/29/17)

Greeters: Emmaliegh Perry and Marissa Sorensen
Ushers: Kids
Scripture Reader: Noah Detar
Fellowship: Jim and Hope Enslow
Sunday School: **No Sunday School**
Counters: Elly Stempien and Pam Althouse
Nursery: Kerry Fitch and Doreen Sorensen
Door Greeter: Matt and Harrison Fitch
Prayer Minister: Aimee Perry

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

TONIGHT! – ***A Celebration of Simple Gifts*** – 4:00-5:30pm at Bluff Point UMC – join us for a time of singing, listening, and worshipping the God we love. We have amazing talent at Bluff Point UMC! Come and be part of a shining light!

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