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As you enter today you will find the offering plates in the front and back of the sanctuary. Please place your offering in them at this time.

Welcome in the name of Jesus!
(Announcements & Candle Lighting)

Centering Prayer

Song of Praise (UMH) 2086 Open Our Eyes

Sharing of the Peace – please take a moment to greet those around you in the Name of the Lord.

Choir - Here I am Lord

*Call to Worship

L: We gather with so many issues swirling around in our heads; work, family, concerns and worries

C: No space to think, to hear, to listen.

L: Where is our hope for the future?

C: As we gather in the holy place, may we still our minds, reminded that we are in the glorious presence of God who hears our prayers and gives us the hope, of the dawn garden.

*MORNING PRAYER

Dear God, we do not believe that human suffering is the work of demons or your punishment for our sins, but what our heads tell us and how our heart feels is not always the same. We pray for those who, today, who will not be praying for themselves. We pray for those struggling with the unanswerable questions. We pray for any who are at the end of their tether. We pray for the church and for ourselves as members of it. May our shared faith be strong enough to hold those who are struggling. May our compassionate listening create a holy space, in which hearts are healed, and your love is shared and celebrated. Amen.

Hymn of Praise (UMH) 61 Jesus, We want to Meet

Prayer Time – Please share your joys as well as your prayers.

TIME OF PRAYER (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

Hymn - (FWS) 2036 Give Thanks

*Offering (Doxology page 95)

Lord God, you rejoice with us when we are glad, you weep with us when we weep, and call on us to do the same with each other. You do not want only our generous donations; those are an added bonus if we can give them. You want us, all of us, as we are, however, we are. And so, we offer you whatever we have to give: our joys, our sorrows, our questions, our stunned silences, our grateful thanks. Accept them, and use them, we pray, for the world's healing and our own. Amen.

Scripture Reading – Tobit 1:3, 2:1-14, 3:1-6, 11-17

Message – Laments and Hopes

Closing Hymn - (FWS) 368 My Hope is Built

Good News!

May we turn towards the future with a vision that invites us beyond where we are now and takes us into where we have not been before. May we turn towards the future and travel together daring to open up the love of God in every place we find ourselves. May we turn towards the future in God's name, walk with faith into what we do not understand and hold onto the love that calls us. Amen.

FWS – Faith We Sing

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

Please join us for coffee and conversation after
Worship downstairs.

SERVING THIS WEEK (7/28/19)

Greeters: Gene James and Dale Bliss
Ushers: Dick Dibble and Russ Heggie
Scripture Reader: Joyce Wiedrich
Sunday School: Kerry Fitch
Counters: Ron Salyer and Aimee Perry
Nursery: Phil Pearce and Laurie Prinzivalli
Door Greeter: Dana Schillinger
Fellowship: Meredith Nielsen and Verna Boose

SERVING NEXT WEEK (8/4/19)

Greeters:
Ushers:
Scripture Reader:
Sunday School:
Counters:
Nursery:
Door Greeter:
Fellowship:

**Join us at Jephson
Athletic Center at
11:30am for worship, a
hymn sing, and dish to
share lunch.**

*Under the back table there are tote bags with activities for kids to use during worship. Please put the bags back when you are finished.

Dates to remember

August 4th - 11:30am - Bluff Point UMC worship at Jephson Athletic Complex (Back of the Trading Post). We will have a dish to share picnic immediately following our service.

August 11th - United Methodist churches in Yates County will gather to worship at 11:00am at Indian Pines.

August 17th – 4:00 – 6:00pm Pulled Pork BBQ
Take Out - Adult (12 and up) \$9

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