

Order of Worship for Sunday, October 17, 2021

Commitment Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Sharon Kichline

Our vision is to be a diverse faith family seeking to love, grow, and serve!

Centering

*Call to Worship

- Leader: As the rains pour from heaven, soaking the earth that it may produce good things....
- People: So God pours God's love upon us, that we, too, may produce goodness, healing and peace.
- Leader: We have been blessed with many gifts, talents, and resources.
- People: God invites us to use these gifts, talents, and resources for healing, peace, and hope.
- Leader: Come, let us worship and celebrate the mighty love and power of God.
- People: Praise be to God who has blessed us in so many ways.

*Opening Prayer

Gracious and loving God, we understand that you call us to be the stewards of your abundance, the caretakers of all you have entrusted to us. Help us always to use your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Christ in our lives. In the precious name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Morning Hymn	Take My Life, and Let it Be	UMH 399
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*Passing the Peace of Christ Among Us

All are invited to pass the peace with a wave and a smile. $\textcircled{\sc o}$

Special Music

Lord, Listen to Your Children

Blessing of the Offerings to Come

Deane Looney

In Unison

Pastor Sharon

Prayers of the People				
Scripture Lesson		Proverbs 31:10-31		
Preparing Our Hearts	I Surrender All, Verses 1, 4, 5	UMH 354		
Message	"How Does the Church SHOW UP?	Pastors Paige and Sharon		
Meditative Moment				
You are invited to open your heart and mind to the Spirit to meditate on the message.				
Responsive Hymn	Here I Am, Lord, verse 1	UMH 593		
Sharing in Holy Communion				
As we sing, all are invited to come forward and receive a blessing and your individual portion of the bread and cup. At that time, you may leave your Commitment Card on the altar. You can consume your Communion at the Communion Railing, or when you return to your seat.				
Closing Prayer				
*Sending Song	Lord, I Lift Your Name on High	FWS 2088		
*Benediction				
Pastor: You are the body of Christ, and have been called to serve the Lord with gladness. Go from this place knowing that God's blessings have been poured on you so that you may be a blessing to others. Be at peace and bring the good news of God's love and peace to all whom you meet.				
People: Amen!				
Postlude				

How wonderful to have you in worship with us today! Our church family welcomes you.

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