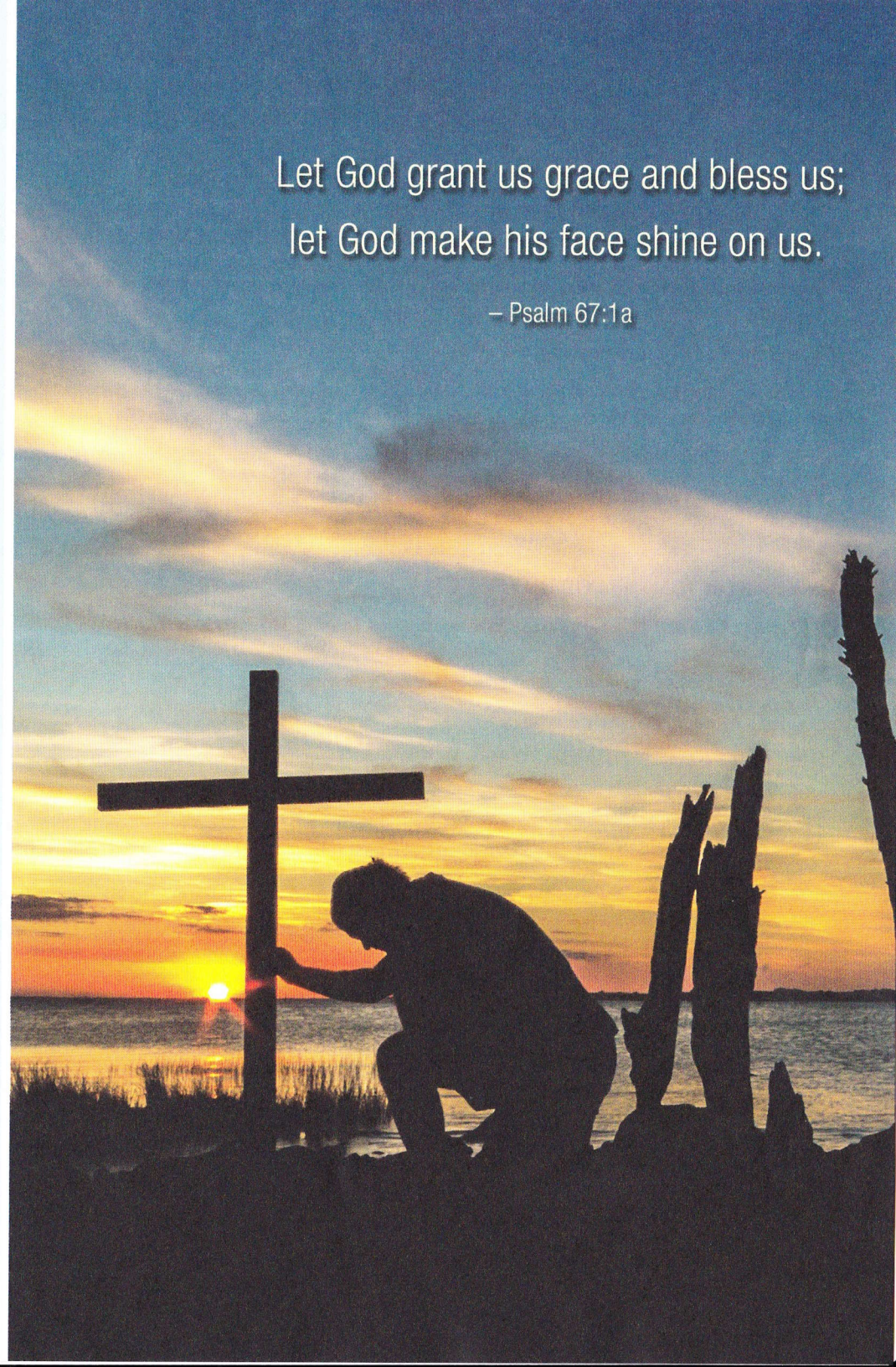


Let God grant us grace and bless us;
let God make his face shine on us.

— Psalm 67:1a



First United Methodist Church

Sunday, August 20, 2017 – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Our Statement of Faith: Jesus, Our Rock of Salvation, Our Life Springs Eternal

Faith Theme 2017

**HEALTHY THINGS GROW>GROWING THINGS CHANGE>CHANGE IS A CHALLENGE>
CHALLENGE FORCES US TO TRUST GOD—>TRUSTING GOD MAKES US HEALTHY>
HEALTHY THINGS GROW!**

Prelude

Sue Milligan

Welcome and Announcements

Please register your presence with us this morning, then pass the book to the person sitting next to you. Before the offertory, tear off the sheet and place it in the offering plate. Thank You!

Song Leader: Morgen Townsend

Acolyte: Nicholas Griffin

***Congregational Call to Worship**

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

UMH 64

*** Congregational Hymn of Praise**

“The Family of God”

Insert

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Chorus: (Congregation Is Encouraged to Join In) “He Is Exalted”

TFWS 2070

Doxology

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 95

Passing the Peace of Christ

Children’s Time *Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world, red and yellow, black and white. They are precious in His sight. Jesus loves the little children of the world.*

Joys and Concerns

A Time of Prayer – Silent Prayer—Congregational Prayer

Prayer Response

“In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful”

TFWS 2195

Special Music

“It Is Well with My Soul”

Flute Duet

Becky Morrison, Cherie Rannells

Scripture Reading

Psalm 133 (p. 501)

Mary Lou Jessen

The Word of God for the People of God: The People Respond **“Thanks Be to God!”**

Morning Message

“Unity”

Rev. Jimmy Chrisawn

***Closing Hymn**

“Blest Be the Tie that Binds”

UMH 557

***Parting Blessing: Leaving to Serve**

Postlude

Sue Milligan

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Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Church office Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday

Please call office to ensure someone is here.

Recommended for Devotional Readings

Aug 27th

Exodus 1:3-2:10; Psalm 124; Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16:12-20

Sept 3rd

Exodus 3:1-15; Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28

You are greeted this morning by Mary Lou Jessen

General Information/Opportunities/Upcoming

Sunday School for Adults

9:00 a.m.

Worship Service

10:30 a.m.

Children's Church

During Service (Following the Children's Time)

Pastor's Office Hours: Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 a.m. till Noon. Other times by appointment, however, the Pastor is always available. Please call or text him. Please call before making a special trip.

SPECIAL NOTE: If you would like the Pastor to visit with your family, or someone else, please let him or the office know so it can be arranged.

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

46 Adults 6 Children

LIFE GROUP/COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Keep these dates on your calendar

Thursday, Sept 7, noon

UMW

Thursday, Sept 14, 6:30

Finance Meeting

Thursday, Sept 14, to follow

Administrative Board Meeting

Thursday, Sept 24, 7:00 a.m.

Prayer at the flagpole, RS High School

Coffee Hour Cleanup this morning

Volunteer Needed

(*) Please Stand as you are able. **TFWS** is the smaller paperback and the **UMH** is the hardback song book.

Share the Message! The Pastor's Message is recorded on CD's every Sunday. They are available free of Charge and can be found in the Narthex, and at the website: www.rockspringsumc.org. You are welcome to take one.

Prayer Requests

Mindy Sheckler's niece; Pat Norris; Patrice Noel; Debbie Sparby; Dennis Doncaster's sister, Sister Diana; Carol Ransdell; Doris Christoffersen's daughter, Yvonne Peterson; Sally Peterson; Pastor Jim; Cathy Georgis' brother-in-law, Todd Ludeman; Jack Norris; Larry Fanelli; Anne Dunaway; Pastor Jim's uncle, Marshall, sister, Judy, and aunt, Mona; Rusty Dickson; Misty, Debbie Petrie's daughter-in law; Bill McGarvey; Tom McCutcheon; Mallory Rosetti Gardner; June Wittman; Carol Wendling; Fred & Isaac Wittman; Rhonda Wheeler; Renee Bustos' father, Bill Cogswell; Deanne Autry; Gene Lane; Keelan Schupman; Jackie Hansen; Karie Chrisawn's mother; Ruthanna Walsh; John Morrison; A friend of Doris Christoffersen, Buddy Whitmire.

Prayer Request:

By:

Remember donated items for the Boys & Girls Club are appreciated by UMW; see Mary Lou Jessen, Penni Harden, or Marj Schaefer.

A note from the Pastor:

Let us begin with special thanks to everyone who has shared of their finances, gifts and talents here at the church. It is truly appreciated!

Have you noticed new carpeted runners in the Educational building and Fellowship Hall? Yes, they are there and were donated by one of our members. You know who you are, thank you!

We want to thank Tim Morgan and crew (Morgan Property Preservation) for the great job they did on the vinyl fence at the back of our property.

It is quite evident that our parking areas are in need of replacement. This is a major project and the Trustees have done a lot of work in putting this project together with a few other needed items. A few months ago we asked Shaun Arnoldi to do some site elevations and storm water comprehensive site plans. As we do this project, we are doing all we can to make it part of the comprehensive site plan and a long term solution at the same time.

Next, let's address the Parking Lot(s): We have requested and received authorization from the Administrative board to establish a special fund to receive donations for the funding of the Parking Lot Replacement. We have requested a fund of \$165,000 that we feel will cover the complete project cost. We will do a detailed project plan as we finish a few more details.

Cover Text: Psalm 67:1a

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Readings for the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, August 20, 2017: Genesis 45:1-15 or Isaiah 56:1, 6-8; Psalm 133 or Psalm 67; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:(10-20) 21-28

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LIFE IN USA

THE FAMILY OF GOD

I'm so glad I'm a part of the fam-ily of God –
I've been washed in the foun-tain,
cleansed by His blood!

Joint heirs with Je-sus as we trav-el this sod,
For I'm part of the fam-ily, the fam-ily of God.

Verse 1

You will no-tice we say "broth-er" and "sis-ter"
'round here—

It's be-cause we're a fam-ily and these folks are so
near;

When one has a heart-ache we all share the tears,
And re-joice in each vic-tory
In this fam-ily so dear.

Verse 2

From the door of an or-phanage to the house of the
King—

No long-er an out-cast, a new song I sing;
From rags un-to rich-es, from the weak to the
strong;

I'm not wor-thy to be here,
but praise God, I be-long!