

Seminary United Methodist Church

September 2, 2018 – Labor Day Sunday

Opening

Brooke Branyan

Welcome & Greeting

Praise Song:

“In Christ Alone”

Call to Worship for Communion Sunday

Leader: We gather together to worship God.

People: *We gather together to share a holy meal.*

Leader: We gather around this table

People: *to which Christ has invited us.*

Leader: You’ve got a place at this table.

All: *We’ve all got a place at this table.*

Leader: We’ll feast on milk and honey.

People: *We’ll give thanks.*

Leader: We’ll find our home.

All: *with God together.*

Leader: So welcome to worship. Welcome to the table.

All: *Hallelujah!*

Bring the light of Christ into the Sanctuary

Prayer of Confession

God, we are thirsty and You call us to Your waters. But sometimes we try to slake our thirst from other sources. Forgive us when we turn away from the living water that You offer. God, we are hungry and You offer us bread without cost. But sometimes we pay too much for food that does not nourish. Forgive us when we do not accept Your gracious provision. Forgive us, God, for the many ways we fail to trust You: God, we seek You; we call upon You. Have mercy on us, for we know You will abundantly pardon us for the sake of Your Son Jesus who died for our sins. Amen

Worship through Giving

Doxology “Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.”

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 40:26-31

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God

People: *We will hide God’s Word in our hearts that we might not sin against God.*

Children’s Message: “On Eagles Wings”

Pastoral Prayer with 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 temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. AMEN.

Old Testament Reading

Nehemiah 4:1-14

Leader: God speaks in His Word to His people!

People: *Thank You, Lord, for Your Holy Word! AMEN!*

Hymn:

“One Bread, One Body”

UMH # 620

Message:

“Never, Never, Never Give Up”

Celebration of Holy Communion

Closing Hymn:

“The Old Rugged Cross”

UMH # 504

Spoken Benediction

Sung Benediction

“On Eagles Wings”

UMH # 143 (sing twice)

Carrying the light of Christ out into God’s World



We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us today. We hope this time of worship draws you closer to God. Please sign in the attendance notepads when passed so we can get acquainted with you. Thank you. Please join us for a time of refreshments and conversation following the service in the Wesley Gathering Room.

Thank you to all who serve today!

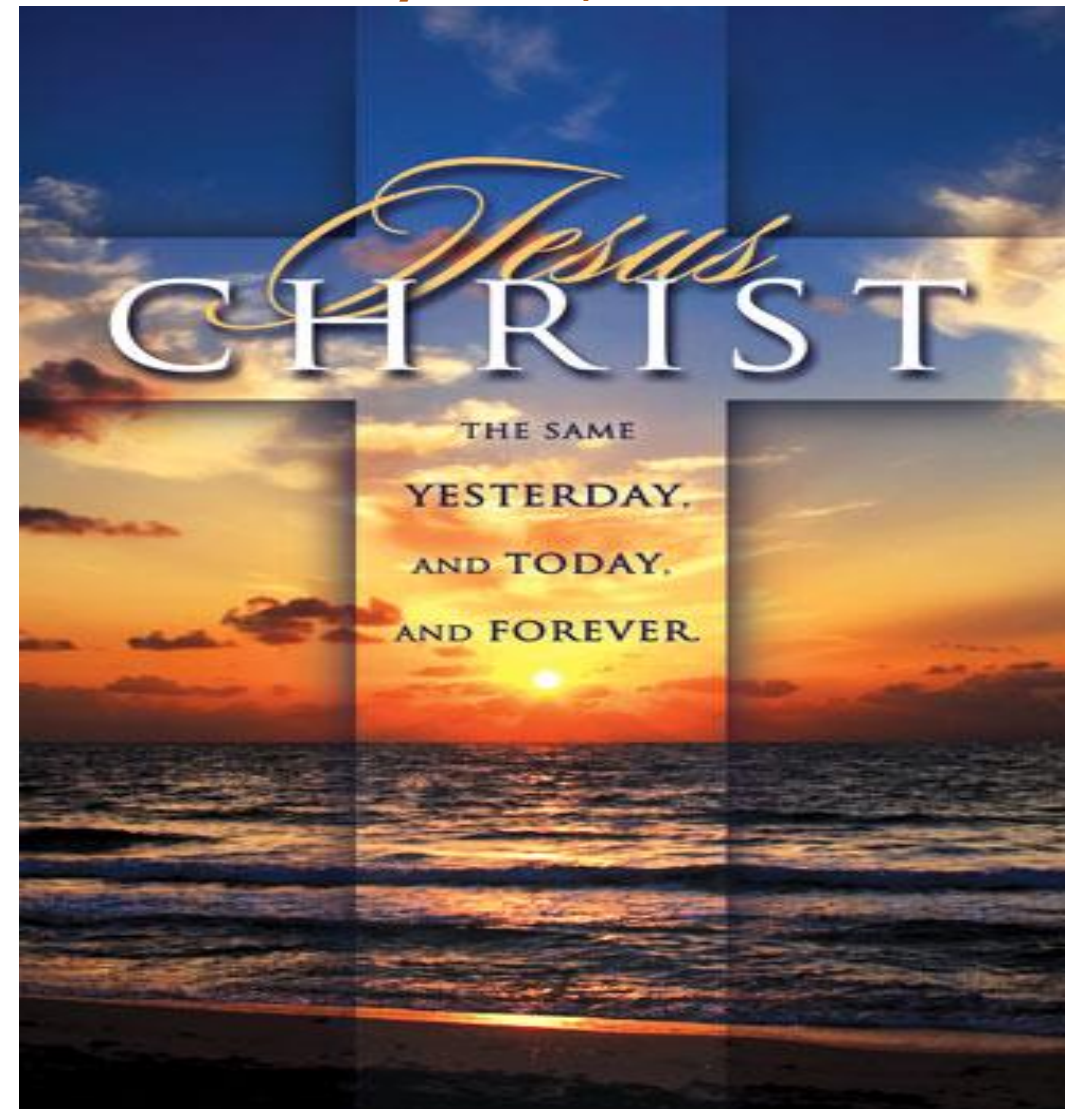
Ushers: Steve Eisenhut, Bill Quickery, Max Colclessor, Ron Hathaway
Communion Servers: Doug Tellas, Janet Tellas, Brooke Branyan
Lay Leader: Brooke Branyan
Scripture Reader: Brooke Branyan
Acolytes:
Nursery Worker: Katlin Carroll
Children's Church Teacher: Mark Whitman
Greeter: Fred and Carolyn Johns
Coffee Hour Host: Jenny Gross
Pianist: Holly Stanley
Organist: Polly Carroll
Sound & Video: Justin Beihold, Gary Beihold, Steve Eisenhut

Reminders for Next Week (September 9, 2018)

Ushers: Lori Culler, Ann McPherrren, Carol Johnson, Pam Sagers
Lay Leader: Brooke Branyan
Scripture Reader: Janet Tellas
Acolytes: Tyler Gross, Matthew Gross
Nursery Worker:
Children's Church Teacher: Mark Whitman or Polly Carroll
Greeter: Marv & Diana Hathaway
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