



November 4, 2018  
8:30 am & 11:00 am  
All Saints Day

Greeting Rev. Jeremiah Harris

Prelude "Harp Celeste" - Simone  
Judith Pearson, Organist

This is the day the Lord has made. (8:30 am) Judy Stout  
**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!** (11:00 am) Rob Hoch

\*Call to Celebrate  
Come, let us praise the Lord!  
**Let us raise our songs of thanksgiving to the great giver of all things.**  
God is doing wonderful things for us and in us.  
**God's love surrounds and upholds our lives.**  
Come, let us praise the Lord!  
**We lift songs of joy to God.**

\*Song for All Saints Day (8:30 am) "For All the Saints" #711 (vss. 1-4)

Special Music (11:00 am) "Ancient Words"  
Grace Notes, Dr. David Dunbar, director

\*Opening Prayer (Unison)  
**God of the living, we are reminded of our community today: those who are sitting in this holy place, those who are present in mind and soul and those who have left us recently or long ago. You call all your faithful people saints, and even in our imperfection we are honored by the title. Let this day be not only a time for memories, but a time for celebration of our connection throughout the ages. Amen.**

Special Music (8:30 am) "The Morning Trumpet" - arr. Hayes  
Chancel Choir, Dr. David Dunbar, Director  
Gil Garcia, trumpet

\*Song for All Saints Day (11:00 am) "For All the Saints" #711 (vss. 1-4)

Children's Message Rev. Jeremiah Harris

Scripture Reading Ruth 1:5-19, MSG  
Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church  
**Response: Amen.**

Message X-Treme Challenge #1: No Promises Broken  
Rev. Steve Goodier

Holy Communion  
Silent Prayer  
Thanksgiving Prayer (on screen)

Peeking Through *The Window*

Offering

Offertory "Arioso" - Handel

\* Thanksgiving and Praise #94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*Prayer of Dedication (Unison)  
**This morning our offerings join together as we place them in the plates. We recognize that we are likewise connected to one another. As we think about the people in our community and all around the world that are touched through the ministry of these gifts, we acknowledge that we are even connected to brothers and sisters we have never met. We pray, God, you bless these gifts, all who are touched by them, and all who give them. Bind us together in your love. Amen.**

\*Song "Bind Us Together" on screen

\*Postlude "Marcia Religiosa" - Rheinberger

9:45 am Worship  
Music provided by



"Your Grace Is Enough"

"How Can I Keep from Singing?"

Welcome

"Ancient Words"

God's Holy Word Ruth 1:5-19, MSG Norma Flaming

Message: X-Treme Challenge #1: No Promises Broken  
Rev. Steve Goodier

Communion

"Gather Us In"

Peeking through *The Window*

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

"Sing for Joy"

The Blessing

"Shout Hosanna"

\*People standing, as able. **Bold** type, response of the people

**Prayers:** Pam Darrah, Karin Delaney, Bob Eatman, and the family of Roberta Mann.

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or

Complete the prayer request card located in the Friendship Pad at the end of each pew. You may place the card in the offering plate or drop it by the church office.

**Missionaries:** Dr. Steve & Rev. Alene Burgert, Emmanuel & Florence Mefor, Donna Pewo.

**Attendance:** 10/28/18 - 320

**Gifts & Service:** Thanks to everyone who worked, attended and supported Trunk R' Treat and for all who provided chili, judged, worked and supported the Chili Cook-Off. The youth made \$700.00 to go toward their mission trips.

**Death:** Roberta Mann - 10/26/18. Memorial Service Saturday, November 10 at 1:00 pm in the sanctuary.

**Altar Flowers:** Provided by Don & Dorothy Bush in celebration of their family.

**Acolytes:** (8:30 am) Hayden Berdahl & Julianne Henry  
(11:00 am) Kane & Molly Kenders

**Large Print Bulletins & Hymnals** are available from an usher.

**Weekly Scripture Reading for the week of November 4-11**

November 4 - Psalm 119:137-144

November 5 - Psalm 34:1-8

November 6 - Mark 12:28-34

November 7 - Luke 20:27-38

November 8 - 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17

November 9 - Joshua 24:14-15

November 10 - Ruth 1:1-18

November 11 - Psalm 145:1-5

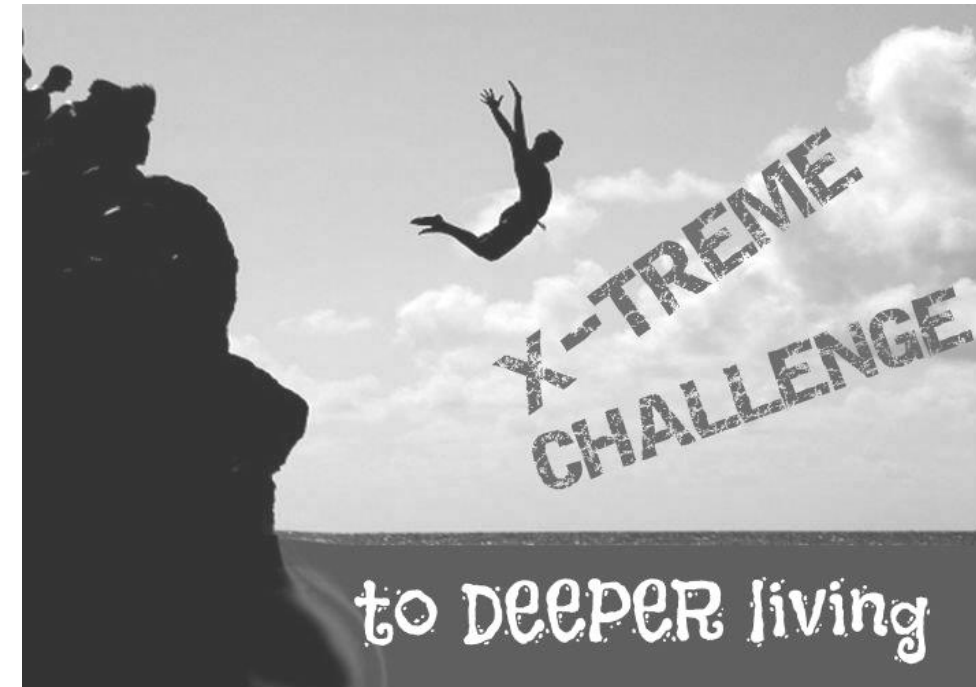
Greetings friends!

Welcome to November! As we think about what we are thankful for this month, I have to share that I am thankful for each of you! It is you, as the church, who have built this congregation as a community of warmth and welcome. One of the things that I find exciting is how many visitors and newer attendees comment on how welcome they have been made to feel. That says a lot about what we choose to value as a community of faith. Rather than being polarized by beliefs, we have opted to celebrate our common connections. This is not to say that we don't have differences of opinion, yet we have experienced that even with different political and religious views, we can choose to stand together as a people of faith.

You may have heard that a special session of General Conference will be called in February of next year. The Council of Bishops will present three paths on how the church can move from its current stalemate on issues concerning sexual orientation and marriage and ordination. Though Steve and I have discussed holding a Q & A session here at FUMC, We recently learned that Berthoud UMC has invited Rev. Kent Ingram (FUMC of Colorado Springs) to lead a session for churches in our area. Kent Ingram was one of the delegates to General Conference last year and probably knows as much as anybody in Colorado about what will be presented and what it means for the church. He will be asked questions like: Which of these paths is best for our churches? Should we prepare for the denomination to split? If so, what will that look like? What might it mean for our local churches? We urge those interested in this discussion to attend November 8 at 6:30 at the Berthoud UMC, 820 9th St, Berthoud.

Though this is a controversial topic, I feel that no matter the outcome of the special General Conference session, we have created a culture of welcome and a place for meaningful connections. I am reminded of one of John Wesley's famous quotes, "Though we cannot think alike, may we not love alike?" May these words continue to guide us as a congregation? It's because of your hospitality, that I believe that FUMC is a generous gift to our community. You don't require creeds or the secret handshake, but you open yourselves up to welcome strangers in our midst, and that is truly the meaning of being the "hands" and "feet" of Christ. This Thanksgiving I count each of you as a special blessing to the colorful tapestry of our congregation. We would not be who we are, without each of you. Thank you for being you!

Blessings,  
Rev. Jeremiah



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