

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors...

The people of the United Methodist Church

Ocean Shores United Methodist Church



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April 21, 2023 - 10:30 am "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors"

Welcome

Celebration of Birthdays/Anniversaries

Prelude

*Call to Worship Psalm 23 UMH pg 137

*Hymn

Fairest Lord Jesus pg 189

Opening Prayer (unison)

O God, our Shepherd, we read the newspapers and watch the newscasts, and we despair! Where are you? Aren't you supposed to protect and defend us? Aren't you supposed to feed us? Why aren't you taking care of all this?

Forgive us, Lord, when we could do something to help someone else, but choose instead to walk away. Forgive us when we fail to follow where you lead. Show us by your love how to be loving. Teach us by your by your patience to be patient. Guide us toward becoming the kingdom of God your Psalmist envisioned. In Jesus' name we pray.

* Please stand

Reading the Word

John 10:11-18 1 John 3:16-24

Response

<u>Leader</u>: The Word of God for the people of God. <u>All</u>: Thanks be to God!

Meditation "This is <u>NOT</u> what I signed up for"

Hymn Where Charity and Love Prevail pg. 549

Presenting Our Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

***Doxology** UMH 95

The Prayers of the People Our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Announcements

May 12 – Festival of the Christian Home May 19 – Pentecost Sunday



***Benediction and Blessing**

Postlude

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Rev. Pam Meese, Pastor Ms. Janice Nations, Music Director Mr. Dale Swindler, Liturgist Ms. Glenda Swindler, Broadcast Mr. Bill White, Music

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