



Open Hearts,  
Open Minds,  
Open Doors...

The people of the  
United Methodist  
Church

# Ocean Shores United Methodist Church



**“Whoever you are, and wherever you may be on your journey of faith, you are loved by God and welcome here.”**

**September 22, 2023 - 10:30 am**  
**“Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors”**

**Welcome**

Celebration of Birthdays/Anniversaries

**Prelude**

Jesus Loves the Little Children  
Jesus Loves Me, This I know!

**\*Call to Worship**

Rejoice, people of God, for today is the day of  
Sabbath.

**Rejoice, friends in Christ!**

God established the Sabbath for rest, for  
restoration and for renewal.

**Rejoice, friends in Christ!**

Let us then worship God with all that we are,  
inviting God to grow us into something even  
greater.

**Rejoice, friends in Christ! Amen!**

**\*Opening Hymn**

Jesus United by Grace  
UMH 561

**Prayer of Invocation** (unison prayer)

Nurturing God, in this hour especially, we  
pray for your wisdom to be made known to us.

Open our hearts and minds to understand your Shalom. Help us to humble ourselves before you, and fully submit ourselves to your will. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

## **Psalm of the Day**

#124 UMH 846

## **Hymn of Preparation**

Just a Closer Walk  
FWS 2158

## **Reading the Word**

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50

## **Response**

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God!

## **Meditation**

## **Call to Prayer**

Lord, Listen to Your Children

Praying FWS 2193

## **The Prayers of the People**

Our Joys and Concerns

## **Prayer**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

## **Invitation To Offering**

**The Offertory**

As the Deer

**\*Doxology**

UMH 95

**Announcements**

**The Sending Song**

Make Me a Servant  
FWS 2176

**\*Benediction and Blessing**

**Postlude**

**\* Please stand**

Pastor: Rev. Pam Meese

Preaching: Mr. Dave Wilson

Liturgist:

Music Director: Ms. Janice Nations

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