



Open Hearts,  
Open Minds,  
Open Doors...

The people of the  
United Methodist  
Church

# Ocean Shores United Methodist Church



And the table  
will be wide.  
And the welcome  
will be wide.  
And the arms  
will open wide  
to gather us in.  
And our hearts  
will open wide  
to receive.

And we will come  
as children who trust  
there is enough.  
And we will come  
unhindered and free.  
And our aching  
will be met  
with bread.  
And our sorrow  
will be met  
with wine.

And we will open our hands  
to the feast  
without shame.  
And we will turn  
toward each other  
without fear.  
And we will give up  
our appetite  
for despair.  
And we will taste  
and know  
of delight.

And we will become bread  
for a hungry world.  
And we will become drink  
for those who thirst.  
And the blessed  
will become the blessing.  
And everywhere  
will be the feast.

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

**October 6, 2023 - 10:30 am**  
**World Communion Sunday**  
**“Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors”**

**Welcome**

Celebration of Birthdays/Anniversaries

**Prelude**

Let Us Break Bread Together

**\*Call to Worship**

We gather today as the people of God, as a  
Community of Christ's followers.

**We gather to share the Word and  
sacrament, to discern the ways of  
faithful service.**

Where in the world shall we serve our God?

**At home and school and business place—in  
this community and throughout every  
land.**

How in the world shall we serve our God?

**By working toward justice where there is  
oppression, by offering comfort where  
there is pain, by sharing love where  
there is hatred.**

Why in the world shall we serve our God?

**Because the Spirit beckons us, because  
Jesus calls us to enact our faith. Let us  
now worship the one who calls us.**

**\*Hymn**                      How Firm A Foundation pg. 529

**\*Invocation**                Prayer of St. Francis pg. 481

**Psalm of the Day** (responsive)                #8 pg. 743

**Reading the Word**            Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12  
Mark 10:13-16

## **Response**

The Word of God for the people of God

**Thanks be to God!**

**Video**            *Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord*

**Meditation**                “And God shall life you up”

**Hymn**                      One Bread, One Body pg 620

## **The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

### **The Prayers of the People**

Our Joys and Concerns

### **Prayer**

### **The Lord’s Prayer**

### **Invitation To Offering**

**The Offertory**

Guide My Feet

**\*Doxology**

UMH 95

**The Prayer of Dedication**

**Announcements**

**The Sending Song**

The Servant Song

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**\*Benediction and Blessing**

**Blessing Song**

Sent Forth By His blessings

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**Postlude**

We Are Marching

**\* Please stand**

Pastor: Rev. Pam Meese

Liturgist: Mr. Dale Swindler

Music Director: Ms. Janice Nations

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