



Ocean Shores United Methodist Church



Niko Pirosmani, 1914

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

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

PRELUDE Where Charity and Love Prevail Ms. Janice Nations

***INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

Liturgist Dave Wilson

For the gift of loving family

We give you thanks, O Lord.

For the grace of gathered community,

We give you thanks, O Lord.

For the journey of following Jesus,

Give us courage, O Lord.

For the daily work of compassion,

Lord, send your Spirit to guide us.

Amen.

***OPENING HYMN:** Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation Pg 559

INVOCATION (Unison)

Rev. Betty Chamberlain

Infinite God, You have brought us into abundance. You have given us physical and spiritual nourishment You have led us to flowing waters of grace. We come to worship today, seeking these things for our souls. May we accept what you offer us today in its entirety, that we might share with others.

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 119:33-40 Pg 842

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 12:1-14

EPISTLE

Romans 13:8-14

GOSPEL

Matthew 18:15-20

Response

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God!

MEDITATION: “So, What DO We Get?”

HYMN AFTER SERMON: The Gift of Love pg 408

JOYS AND CONCERNS

INVITATION TO OFFERING:

(One Voice) Like our ancestors in faith, we are called to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us. With gladness and generosity let us present our tithes and offerings to God, from whom all blessings flow.

THE OFFERTORY Lead Me, Guide Me

***DOXOLOGY**

UMH 95

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(Unison) God of our ancestors, God of new beginnings, receive our offerings that hospitality might be extended to those in need; the hungry fed; the thirsty satisfied; the lonely befriended; the sorrowing comforted in Jesus' name and to your glory. Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN Bind Us Together FWS 2226

***BENEDICTION AND BLESSING**

