

A photograph of a heart-shaped tree with reddish-purple foliage standing in a field of orange and yellow flowers. The sun is setting behind the tree, creating a bright glow and long shadows. The sky is filled with soft, colorful clouds.

With a Grateful Heart

Thankful for God's Presence

CHARLTON CHURCH

A United Methodist Community

Where Faith Meets Life



Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, October 12, 2025

LOVE BOLDLY. SERVE JOYFULLY. LEAD COURAGEOUSLY.

VISION OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

† Standing, as able.

We continue to light a Candle of Peace,
praying for people around the world
who live in the midst of violence, war, and unrest.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Pastor Miguel Arenas

† CALL TO WORSHIP

A word of encouragement
came from prophet to people;

Live a life that is full –

build, plant, eat, love, multiply.

Pray for your communities.

Keep God in the center of all that is.

We enter into worship today with hope in our hearts,
for something happens here

that reminds us that we can live as God desires.

God has made a promise of faithfulness to us,
and we can trust the promise.

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

REFRAIN

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

† **UNISON PRAYER**

Almighty God, across the ages You have guided Your people through the wilderness, assuring us of a home in Your eternal city. Strengthen us along the way, that we might not neglect our call to serve the cities and towns where we live. Help us to trust in Your unfailing presence amid all of our fears. Grant us wisdom to discern Your way in this world even as we hope for the next. Amen.

ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

† SHARING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7

MESSAGE

Pastor Miguel

RESPONSE "God Will Take Care of You" (#130, vs. 1,3,4)

Civilla D. Martin | W. Stillman Martin

Be not dismayed whate'er betide,
God will take care of you;
beneath his wings of love abide,
God will take care of you.

God will take care of you,
through every day, o'er all the way;
he will take care of you, God will take care of you.

All you may need he will provide,
God will take care of you;
nothing you ask will be denied,
God will take care of you.

No matter what may be the test,
God will take care of you;
lean, weary one, upon his breast,
God will take care of you.

SHARING OF OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

TIME OF PRAYER

THE OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

THE INVITATION

THE OFFERTORY

† THE DOXOLOGY

All praise to Thee: the Father, Son,
and to the Spirit, Three in One.
Now bless these gifts we bring to You,
and all the work You'd have us do. Amen.

† THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

in unison

Blessed are You, God of all creation. Through Your
goodness we have these gifts to share. Bless what
we offer so that they will be a blessing for others.
Give us strength and courage to offer ourselves more
fully to You, so that we may be Your heart and hands
in the world today. Amen.

Standing on the promises of Christ my King,
Through eternal ages let his praises ring.
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
Standing on the promises of God.

Standing, standing,
standing on the promises of God my Savior;
Standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
By the living Word of God I shall prevail,
Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,
Bound to him eternally by love's strong cord,
Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
Listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
Resting in my Savior as my all in all,
Standing on the promises of God.

† **BENEDICTION and RESPONSE**

Dear Lord, bless us, take and use us;
strengthen us with power from above.
Guide each footstep of our journey;
grant us grace to walk the path of love.



CHARLTON CHURCH: *Where Faith Meets Life*

WELCOME

We're glad that you are with us for worship today. Whatever your circumstances, no matter where you've been or what's happened in your life, you are welcome here!

PROUD TO BE UMC

Charlton Church is a family of faith that values the diversity of thought that is an intrinsic part of The United Methodist Church. You can read our full statement on our website, at www.charltonchurch.org/umc.

CONNECT WITH US

Be sure to fill out your Connection Card today and place it in the offering plate. This is the best way for our members and friends to stay connected with the ministry and mission of Charlton Church.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME

Charlton Church is a 'Safe Sanctuary', with procedures in place for the safety of all children and youth. A nursery is available during the worship service and is located at the end of the hallway opposite the sanctuary. KIDs Club, for children age 3 thru grade 5, meets during the 9:00 am discipleship hour.

SHARING IS NOT ALWAYS CARING

We have learned much through the pandemic and should do our best not to get complacent in our actions! Please remember to observe social distancing whenever possible. If you do not feel well, please stay home. If you have health concerns, there is a designated area at the rear of the sanctuary in the parlor, where you can be seated for our worship service. Please reserve this area for persons with health concerns. Thank you for your cooperation as we care for one another.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE AT CHARLTON

Sun, Oct 12	9:00 am	Discipleship Hour
	10:00 am	Charlton Worship Service
Mon, Oct 13	10:30 am	Chair Yoga
Tue, Oct 14	10:00 am	Bible Study
Wed, Oct 15	7:00 am	Men's Breakfast at Perkins
	10:30 am	Chair Yoga
	6:30 pm	Choir rehearsal
Thu, Oct 16	10:30 am	Cardio and Strength Class
	6:00 pm	Hot Topix
Fri, Oct 17	10:30 pm	Chair Yoga
	11:30 am – 5pm	Soup Guy Taco Salad Bar
	6:30 pm	Cozy. Juicy. Real.
Sun, Oct 19	10:00 am	Charlton Worship Service

WORSHIP INFO

SERMON SERIES

We continue our sermon series "With a Grateful Heart" as we open our hearts to the transformative power of gratitude.

MISSION INFO

GIVING GRACE COLLECTION

We are collecting dish soap for our monthly outreach distribution. We continue to collect 2 lb. bags of rice.

MISSION OFFERING

The October mission offering supports Charlton's Benevolent Fund. These monies are available to church and community members who are experiencing a specific financial need.

FELLOWSHIP INFO

FELLOWSHIP THURSDAYS

Be sure to sign up for this month's Fellowship Thursday events on your Connection Card today.

LET'S GET REAL!

Someone To Tell It To has partnered with a business that has created a game called "Cozy. Juicy. Real." which is a fun way to engage in conversation and make connections with your friends. We are hosting a "Cozy. Juicy. Real." night at Charlton on Friday, October 17 at 6:30 pm. Sign up on today's Connection Card.

MISCELLANEOUS INFO

STAFF APPRECIATION

October is Staff Appreciation Month — From our pastor and worship leader to office staff, custodian and those who care for our children and youth, each person plays a vital role in helping our church family grow and thrive. Let's take this opportunity to express our gratitude through words, notes, prayers, and acts of kindness. Let's make sure they know how much they're valued! A basket is available at the bulletin table.

TRUNK or TREAT

Once again, Charlton will partner with our scout troops for our annual Trunk or Treat event on Sunday, October 26 at 4:00 pm. We encourage our church family to bring treats to distribute to our children and the scouts.

CRAFT SHOW

Our annual Christmas Craft Show is just a few weeks away, being held on Saturday, November 8. We are in need of your help. Please sign up on today's Connection Card.

Last Week's Prayer Requests

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

Steve Scott, Kitty Halke;

ONGOING:

John Arnold, Carol Brown, Larry and Tina Caines, Dot Dunkle, Joy Morris, Cheryl Rhodes, Sig Sunday;

WEEK 2:

Bernadette Kreiser, Alannah Murphy, Jane Bruns, Butch Faure, Zhakya's twin brothers;

WEEK 3:

Fran Arenas, Janet Beasom, Tina Caines, Craig Derk family, Samantha Fields family, Pat Harr and family. Gladys Wilbur and family, Northern Regional Police Dept, Nancy Ammons;

WEEK 4:

Sherry Baker, family of Sheryl Dowling, Dorothy.

WE CONTINUALLY PRAY FOR:

- Charlton Church, staff, and Leadership Council
- The United Methodist Church
- Bishop Hector A. Burgos-Nunez
- Superintendent Rev. Dr. Gary Weaver
- Our World Vision families:
Dieulene in Haiti and Narek in Armenia.
- The people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel and Palestine
- The leaders of all nations, that peace may be our common goal

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO USE OUR FACILITY:

- Charlton Preschool
- The SoupGuy, Adam and Nina Weaver
- Little Star Chinese School
- WB Music Therapy
- Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts
- Sports and exercise groups



***“The prayer of the righteous
is powerful and effective.”***

James 5:16

THE HEART OF TITHING: Worship, Trust, and Generosity

Tithing—the practice of giving a tenth of one's income or resources to God—has deep biblical roots and continues to play a vital role in the life of the believer and the health of the church.

Tithing is more than a financial act. It's a spiritual discipline that expresses worship, trust, and gratitude. From Abraham's offering in Genesis to Jesus' teaching in Matthew 23:23, the principle of tithing runs throughout Scripture as a way to honor God with our firstfruits.

When we tithe, we declare that everything we have belongs to God. It's a reminder that He is our provider, not our paychecks or possessions. Tithing also supports the work of ministry—helping the church reach the lost, care for the needy, and build God's kingdom in our community.

God's promise in Malachi 3:10 still stands: *"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse... and see if I will not open the windows of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."*

Tithing is not about guilt or obligation—it's about relationship. As we give joyfully and faithfully, we grow in faith and experience God's provision in new ways. The tithe is simply a starting point for a life marked by generosity and gratitude.

There are several people in our church family who heartily testify to what tithing has meant in their life. They strongly encourage everyone to consider how tithing can bless your life, even if you start by just increasing your giving by 1%, and then increasing as you are able.

Let's continue to trust God with all He's given us, and watch how He blesses both our lives and our church family through our obedience and faith.

Stewardship Report for October 5, 2025

Worship Attendance: 60

General Fund:	\$	8,246.12
Facility Maintenance:	\$	502.67
Missions:	\$	15.00



THERE ARE 3 WAYS TO GIVE AT CHARLTON CHURCH

1. SUNDAY MORNING OFFERING

If you would like a statement at the end of the year, be sure to use your church envelopes or use the "My Offering" envelopes in the pews.

2. GIVE ONLINE

Online giving ensures that your offerings are made ... even when you can't make it to church. Go to www.CharltonChurch.org/give

3. TEXT 2 GIVE

Text your gift to 844-952-2041. For detailed information, go to www.CharltonChurch.org/text

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