

# Rectortown United Methodist Church

August 7, 2022 10:00 a.m.  
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost



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# Welcome to Rectortown UMC!

*No matter where you have been or where you have failed to be –  
what you have said or what you have failed to say - what you have  
done or what you have failed to do - whom you have loved or whom  
you have failed to love - you are welcome here.*

*\* Please Stand As You Are Able and Comfortable*

**PRELUDE** - let us quiet our minds, hearts, and spirits as we begin to focus on the presence of God as we become aware of the *Light of Christ* in our midst.

## *ENTRANCE*

### **WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS and CELEBRATIONS**

#### **BRINGING IN the LIGHT of CHRIST**

Surely the Presence of the Lord

UMH # 328

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Abingdon Worship Annual 2022 (Psalm 50, Hebrews 11))

*Leader:* God called Abraham and Sarah  
And promised to bless them.

*People:* **Through faith they obeyed  
and received God's inheritance.**

*Leader:* God called Isaac and Jacob,  
As heirs of that promise.

*People:* **They too followed in faith,  
Seeking God's realm.**

*Leader:* God calls us to join them,  
As heirs of that promise.

*People:* **We come here in faith,  
Assured by the hope that was fulfilled  
In the lives of your servants.**

\* **HYMN** Take Time To Be Holy

UMH 395

**OPENING PRAYER** (From Abingdon Worship Annual 2022 (Isaiah 1, Luke 12))

**God of light and love,  
You take delight in your creation.  
Ignite our spirits to worship you with sincerity.  
Illumine our minds with the truth of your word.  
Inspire our hearts to seek your treasure alone,  
That our hearts may be pure  
And our actions may be noble and just  
As we share love.  
Through Jesus Christ, our hope and promise,  
We pray. Amen.**

**YOUNG DISCIPLES' MESSAGE**

*“Treasures in Heaven”*

***PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE***

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** (adapted from Caldwell Presbyterian Church)

**Since we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that  
comes from your mouth, make us  
hunger for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in  
the ways of eternal life; through  
Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

*Leader:* This is the word of God for the people of God.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM READING**

Psalm 2

UMH 739

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

Scripture: John 14:1-14

\* Gloria Patri – “Glory Be to the Father”

UMH 70

**MESSAGE** *“Jesus: Savior of the World”*

**INVITATION, CONFESSION, and PARDON**

*Leader:*    Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.

Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

*People:*    **God of unfailing love, it is often hard to remain faithful.**

**You ask us to share our wealth with those in need,  
Yet we hoard our possessions**

**And guard our wealth.**

**You call us to rescue the oppressed,**

**Defend the orphan, and plead for the widow,**

**Yet our pursuits are often self-serving,**

**Ignoring those in need of our care.**

**Forgive us and cleanse us, O God.**

**Move us to be a people of justice,**

**And propel us on the path of love. Amen.**

**Through our sins are like scarlet, do not be afraid,  
For God has washed us clean.**

**The Lord takes pleasure in opening God's realm to us. Rejoice and come in!**

**SHARING OUR JOYS and CONCERNS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**GIVING OUR GIFTS and TITHES**

\*    Doxology    "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"    UMH 94  
    Offertory Prayer

***THANKSGIVING***

**The Great Thanksgiving**

UMH 13

*Leader:*    The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

*Leader:* Lift up your hearts.

**People:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Leader:* Let us give our thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Leader:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.

And so,

with all your people on earth  
and all the company of heaven  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**People:** **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Leader:* Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.  
By the baptism of his suffering, death and resurrection  
you gave birth to your church,  
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,  
and made with us a new covenant  
by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us,  
he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread,  
gave it to his disciples, and said:  
“Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.”

When the supper was over, he took the cup,  
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:  
“Drink from this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
poured out for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.”

And so,  
in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus  
Christ,  
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving  
as a holy and living sacrifice,  
in union with Christ's offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**People:** **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come  
again.**

**Leader:** Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,  
that we may be for the world the body of Christ,  
redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,  
one with each other,  
and one in ministry to all the world,  
until Christ comes in final victory  
and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit in your holy church,  
all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God,  
now, and forever.

**All:** **Amen.**

## ***SENDING FORTH***

\* **HYMN** Wonderful Words of Life UMH 600

\* **SENDING FORTH**

\* Through It All UMH 507

*\* Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

***This worship service has ended, and now your service begins.  
As you leave church today, you are entering the mission field.***

## **Questions for Reflection**

What have you learned from Jesus today?

***PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND FOR THE WORLD:***

**For Family and Friends:**

Wanda Hannah  
Tom McLaughlin  
Zulla Russell  
Adam Young

Debbie McLaughlin  
Randy Robinson  
Hazel Sisk

**For Those Who Grieve:**

**For the Church and For the World:**

For those in need of healing, and those caring for them.

For first responders, and the military, and their families.

For God's People, The Church, and the World.

Prayers for national, state, and local leaders; and for our Nation.

**If you know someone you would like to add to our prayer list, please forward your request to the church office by email at: [secretaryrumc@gmail.com](mailto:secretaryrumc@gmail.com), or by calling (540) 364-1066.**

**RUMC CELEBRATIONS**

**Birthdays**

Priscilla Krick – August 7<sup>th</sup>  
Amy Riggio – August 9<sup>th</sup>  
James Massaro – August 9<sup>th</sup>  
Jimmy Willis – August 9<sup>th</sup>

Carl Carter – August 11<sup>th</sup>  
Courtney Harrington – August 11<sup>th</sup>  
Jake Rininger – August 12<sup>th</sup>  
Zulla Russell – August 12<sup>th</sup>

### **Anniversaries**

Dave & Debbie Hall – August 11<sup>th</sup>

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS and EVENTS**

**SPPRC Meeting** – Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm

**Worship Committee Meeting** – Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am

**Trustees Meeting** – Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm

**Viewing of Team Jeremiah/Disaffiliation Webinar** –Sanctuary

Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm &

Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

**Church Office Closed Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>** – Labor Day



## **Urgent Need for Kindergarten Students!**

Sometimes accidents happen & teachers need clean clothes for students to change into.

We are asking for donations of **pants** and **shorts** for **boys & girls**, **sizes four & five** (preferably elastic or draw string waist)



as well as **underwear**.

Thank you!



## **Volunteers Needed to Expand Hours!**

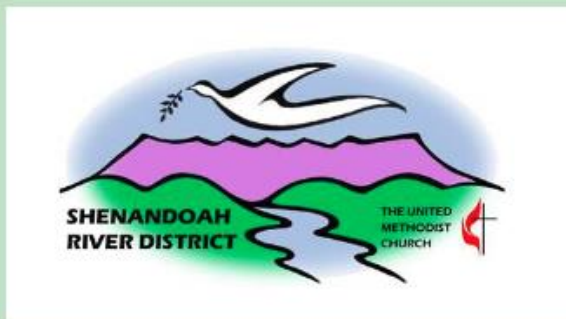
After attending the Back To School Fair in Marshall, we learned how great the need for the Fig Leaf is in our community.

Business is picking up and we need to start offering evening hours and additional Saturdays.

Please email [figleafatrumc@gmail.com](mailto:figleafatrumc@gmail.com) if you are available to volunteer late afternoon/early evening or Saturday. Thank you!

# SHENANDOAH RIVER DISTRICT

OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
(formerly Harrisonburg and Winchester Districts)



## Flooding in Buchanan County VA

Last week there was major flooding in Buchanan County VA. The Conference and District are currently working to get more information. They have asked people not to send "stuff" to the county right now as they are overwhelmed and are just setting up their donation management site. What is needed right now are our prayers.

If you want to make a monetary donation please go to [www.Holston.org](http://www.Holston.org) and click on the news story on the home page about the disaster. It will take you to a monetary donation link.

Please keep in mind they are still assessing the situation but current damage information is as follows:

- 32 homes destroyed
- 31 homes with major damage
- 28 homes with minor damage
- 36 affected by the flooding

On a district level we are looking into sending an adult rebuilding team down to assist. We will share information on that as soon as we have it. If you have an interest in going please let Joann Ballard or Brian Posey know.

Contact information:

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**Harrisonburg and Winchester Districts Mission Coordinators**





## **WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

We all really enjoy and appreciate the jobs that Larry, Tammy, and Carl do for us during our Sunday worship services! Unfortunately, they cannot be here every Sunday morning – and when they cannot be here, then we need others to fill in so our online worship and inhouse multimedia still work! If you would like to volunteer as the videographer (online service), the multimedia (inhouse powerpoint), worship leader (greeting, announcements, opening prayer), or scripture reader (prayer for illumination, first reading, and psalm reading), please let us know!

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