

today

Flowers: The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Ann and Richard Gallion on their 61st wedding anniversary in gratitude and amazement!

08/06/2017 Worship attendance:

8:00 – 28; 9:30 – 108; Total = 136

Summer Church School Attendance = 6

Our Pastors – Woody Eddins and Peter Preiser

Organist & Adult Music – Yves Venne

Children/Youth/Contemporary Music – Dorothy Cowles

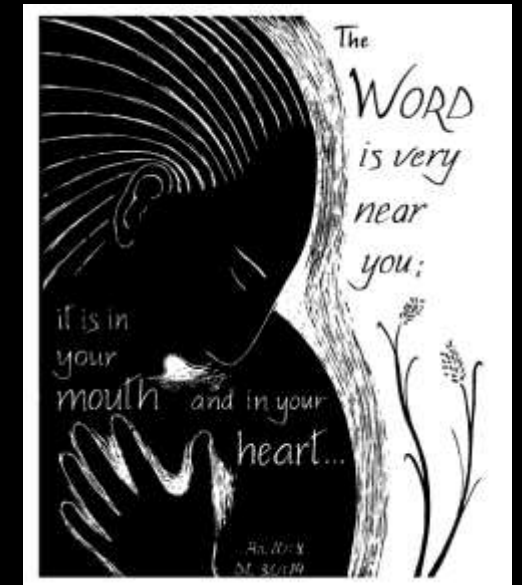
A Stephen Ministry Church

(See back of announcements for a full staff listing)

Early Communion Service

Simsbury United Methodist Church

*“Life Wager:
Our Choice”*



“Faith is the daring of the soul to go farther than it can see.”

William Newton Clark

**8:00 a.m.
Aug 13, 2017**



08.13.17 – 10th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service – 8:00 a.m.

Welcome

Prelude |

◇Call to Worship

Leader: From Bethlehem to Nazareth, from Jordan to Jericho, from Bethany to Jerusalem, from then to now,

People: Come, Lord Jesus.

Leader: To heal the sick, to mend the brokenhearted, to comfort the disturbed, to disturb the comfortable, to awaken us to your presence,

People: Come, Lord Jesus.

Leader: To lead the way, to overcome the sin of this world, to open our eyes and our hearts to you and to our neighbors; today, to this place, to us,

People: Come, Lord Jesus! Amen.

◇Opening Hymn | *Praise to the lord, the Almighty #139*

◇Opening Prayer | (unison)

Holy God, we are here today to worship you, to give thanks for the many blessings of our lives, and to offer ourselves to your service. Touch those of us who are troubled, ill, or facing big changes in our lives, and let us know the power and steadfastness of your loving presence. May this time of worship draw us closer to you and help us to open our hearts to others, that we may more and more be faithful followers of Jesus. Amen.

First Lesson | Matthew 14: 22-33

Second Lesson | Romans 10: 5-13

Message | “*Life Wager: Our Choice*” Rev. Florence Eddins

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer | Blue hymnal #895

Prayer Response | *You Are Mine #2218 (verse 1)(Faith We Sing Hymnal)*

HOLY COMMUNION

A Service of Word and Table | *Hymnal #12*

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 thanks to the Lord our God,

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

(There follows prayers of praise for God's acts of creation, concluding...we join with the song of unending praise, saying:) **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your Glory. Hosanna in the highest, blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.”**

Prayer of Consecration

Sharing of the Meal

Prayer After Receiving: Eternal God, we give you thanks for this Holy Mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go now into the world, in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

◇Closing Hymn | *Great Is Thy Faithfulness #140*

◇Benediction

◇Benediction Response | *Go in Peace*

Go in peace and the peace of God be with you this day. Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always. Celebrate and share the joy, celebrate new life. Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always.

◇Postlude |

◇ *please stand as you are able*