

**FARMINGDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – LAITY SUNDAY  
October 18, 2020 9:30am**

**THE DOORS OF THE CHURCH ARE OPENED.  
PLEASE COME AND LET US PRAISE GOD TOGETHER.  
The worship service will be on Zoom and YouTube at the same time.**

Click the link below  
<https://zoom.us/j/3668856897>  
Meeting ID: 366 885 6897 password 981708  
OR

Click below and join us live on YouTube  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVB37Jz0kuISFONSnA6Za5Q>  
You may subscribe to Joseph Ewoodzie YouTube channel

**GREETINGS/WELCOME**

**PREACHER:** Shanna Wurth      **LITURGIST:** Barbara Schmidt

**CHURCH FAMILY FELLOWSHIP TIME**

- Welcome first-time worshippers
- Share God's Blessings with each other
- Announcements
- Prayers of the joys and concerns

Welcome all our Zoom & YouTube worshippers. Please send us your contact information to [pastorjoseph@farmingdaleumc.org](mailto:pastorjoseph@farmingdaleumc.org) and visit our website [farmingdaleumc.org](http://farmingdaleumc.org)

**GOD IS GOOD, I AM A WITNESS, YOU ARE A WITNESS, WE ARE WITNESSES**

We want to share God's blessings with you, You are loved

**MISSION STATEMENT**

Our mission is sharing God's unconditional love by serving our neighbors, connecting with all God's children in Christian fellowship and providing safe spaces for everyone to grow in faith and love.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

We gather in awe to bring our songs of praise.

The Creator of all things has given us life.

**We are amazed by the wonders around us.**

**We feel God's presence as we sing together.**

We are summoned by One who is just and merciful.

The Ruler of all worlds expects us to respond.

**How amazing that God chooses us as messengers.**

**We know God is with us as we work for justice.**

**INVOCATION**

Appear to us here, God of all worlds, for we need Your assurance and blessing. Amen.

**GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be, world without end Amen.**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Great and awesome God, just and righteous beyond all our prejudices, valuing all people without partiality, allow us to sense Your presence within and among us, that we may know we are Your people. Call us by name and let Your favor rest upon us, that we may have no need to feel superior or seek fame and fortune over others but may rather extend Your grace to all we meet, imitating Christ and extolling You in all our words and deeds. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God raises us from death to new life, from helplessness to hope, from arrogant self-seeking to humble service.

## RECOGNITION OF LAITY

From the beginning, God entered into covenant with the human family:  
with Adam and Eve, Noah, Abraham and Sarah, Moses, Deborah, Ruth, and Jeremiah.

**Through baptism, Jesus Christ calls us into the covenant and makes us ministers of Christ's righteousness.**

All Christian ministry is Christ's work of outreaching love.  
It demonstrates a common life of gratitude and devotion, witness and service, celebration and discipleship.

**All Christians are called to Christ's servanthood in the world, to the glory of God and for human fulfillment.**

The Church, as the community of the new covenant, participates in Christ's ministry of grace.  
**It stretches out to human needs wherever service may convey God's love and ours.**

In our ministry of servanthood is this ultimate concern:  
**that all may be renewed in the image of their Creator,  
and that all Christians are called to minister in deeds and words that heal and free.**  
**Amen.**

HYMN “Sanctuary” 2164

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 33:12-23

SERMON “The Presence of God” Shanna Wurth

## OFFERTORY

### WORSHIP THROUGH TITHES & OFFERINGS

Pledges, Tithes, offerings, and donations are being received by mail.

FUMC, 407 Main Street, Farmingdale NY 11735

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## OFFERTORY PRAYER Let us pray (unison)

**O God, we sense that You are calling us to manage well all the things that belong to You. Thus we here dedicate the gifts You have provided in our money and our abilities and our time to extend a helping hand and joyous welcome to every people on the face of the earth. May our efforts find favor with You. Amen.**

HYMN “God Will Take Care of You” 130 (vs. 1 &2)

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE