

**Solomons United Methodist Church**  
*Loving, Serving, and Growing in the Name of Jesus Christ*

Sunday, March 17, 2019  
10:00 a.m.

**Order of Worship**

**Welcome**



IMITATING

MARCH 17, 2019

## Welcome and Call to Worship

L: Today is a day to sign praise to God!

**P: God continually blesses us, each and every day.**

L: Even in the midst of cold and darkness, the warmth of God's love is real.

**P: We cancount on God to be here for us.**

L: Let your hearts rejoice and your voices shout praise to God.

**P: For God is great and worthy to be praised.**

\*Hymn of Praise

*Thou Hidden Source of Calm Repose*

*Hymn #153*

## Scripture Reading: Psalm 27

### Triumphant Song of Confidence of David.

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold<sup>[a]</sup> of my life;  
of whom shall I be afraid?

<sup>2</sup> When evildoers assail me  
to devour my flesh—  
my adversaries and foes—  
they shall stumble and fall.

<sup>3</sup> Though an army encamp against me,  
my heart shall not fear;  
though war rise up against me,  
yet I will be confident.

<sup>4</sup> One thing I asked of the LORD,  
that will I seek after:  
to live in the house of the LORD  
all the days of my life,  
to behold the beauty of the LORD,  
and to inquire in his temple.

<sup>5</sup> For he will hide me in his shelter  
in the day of trouble;  
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;  
he will set me high on a rock.

<sup>6</sup> Now my head is lifted up  
above my enemies all around me,  
and I will offer in his tent  
sacrifices with shouts of joy;

I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

<sup>7</sup> Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud,  
be gracious to me and answer me!

<sup>8</sup> "Come," my heart says, "seek his face!"  
Your face, LORD, do I seek.

<sup>9</sup> Do not hide your face from me.

Do not turn your servant away in anger,  
you who have been my help.

Do not cast me off, do not forsake me,  
O God of my salvation!

<sup>10</sup> If my father and mother forsake me,  
the LORD will take me up.

<sup>11</sup> Teach me your way, O LORD,  
and lead me on a level path  
because of my enemies.

<sup>12</sup> Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries,  
for false witnesses have risen against me,  
and they are breathing out violence.

<sup>13</sup> I believe that I shall see the goodness of the LORD  
in the land of the living.

<sup>14</sup> Wait for the LORD;  
be strong, and let your heart take courage;  
wait for the LORD!

## Praying the Scripture - Lectio Divina

### Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

### Offering with Prayer

#### Prayer of Confession

There is a certain winter in our spirits today, O Lord. We feel the journey on which we have embarked will demand too much of us. There are so many other things in our lives which claim our spirits, our energy, our hopes and fears. We turn our backs on those whom you send. The world shouts its solutions to us and then deserts us when we are in need. Forgive us for the many times in which we have strayed from your pathway of life; when we have chosen not to hear the cries of those in need; when we belittled the gifts and skills you have given us in order to avoid serving others. Heal us, O Lord. Place us back on your path to Jerusalem, to live, for we ask this in Jesus' name. Amen

#### Words of Assurance

When God called your name, God called you to a journey of faith. Do not be afraid to look inside to see those things which are holding you back from being who God created you to be. Place your trust in God who is always with you, loving you into wholeness. Amen

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

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

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You bought all things into being and called them good. From the dust of the earth you formed us in your own image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. When the rain fell upon the earth for forty days and forty nights, you bore up the ark on the waters, saved Noah and his family, and made covenant with every living creature on earth. When you led your people to Mount Sinai for forty day and forty nights, you gave us your commandments and made us your covenant people. When your people forsook your covenant, your prophet Elijah fasted for forty days and forty nights; and on your holy mountain, he heard your still small voice. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**All: 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.**

Pastor: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. When you gave him to save us from our sins, your Spirit led him the wilderness, where he fasted forty days and forty nights to prepare for his ministry. When he suffered and died on the cross for our sins, you raised him to life, presented him alive to the apostles during forty days, and exalted him at your right hand.

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.

Now, when we your people prepare for the yearly feast of Easter, you lead us to repentance for sin and the cleansing of our hearts, that during these forty days of Lent we may be gifted and graced to reaffirm the covenant you made with us through Christ.

*The Words of Institution follow*

Pastor: 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.

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

Pastor: We remember that as this bread was broken and this cup was lifted, you poured out your spirit, making them the body and blood of Christ for those gathered here. In the same manner, we ask that as your Holy Spirit is present here, 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 your, almighty Father, now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

## **\*\*Communion**

*\*\*Communion is open to everyone in attendance. Take a piece of bread and dip it into the juice provided for you. We offer gluten-free communion, please let us know when you come forward.*

**Children's Time with Dianne Koerper**

**\*Closing Hymn**

*Lead On, O King Eternal*

*Hymn #580*

**\*Benediction**

# SOLOMONS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*LOVING, GROWING, AND SERVING IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST*

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019**

**10:00 A.M.**



## **March Community Dinners** **We're Back at the East-John Youth Center!**

**March 7th:**

Pizza, Salad, Dessert

**March 14th:**

Turkey Goulash, Veggie, Salad, Bread , Dessert

**March 21st:**

Baked Ziti, Salad, Bread, Dessert

**March 28th:**

Turkey Meatloaf, Potatoes, Veggie, Bread, Salad

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**Complimentary meals - ALL are welcome!**

**Thursdays 6 - 7 pm at the East-John Youth Center**

**11835 Mill Bridge Road in Lusby, MD 20657**

**Sponsored by the Lusby Charge (St. John UMC & Eastern UMC) & Solomons UMC**

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# Lenten Sermon Series





Today we will reveal the tender love of God through the imagery captured in this quintessential Psalm. The relationship lost because of sin is restored by the good shepherd who is presented in this Psalm as the one who provides, blesses, forgives, restores, comforts, protects, delivers, strengthens, rules, and gives eternal life.

Our Bible verse is from Psalm 23:1-3, "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake." and John 10:11, "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

## Here's What's Happening Weekly:

Monday:	Yoga 9am   Mighty Mama's 6pm
Tuesday:	Round Dancing 6 - 9pm
Wednesday	Mighty Mama's 9:30am
Friday:	Mighty Mama's 9:30am

## *We also give in the name of Jesus Christ...*

There are several ways to give God's tithes and your offerings:

- ◆ Sunday in the offering plate
- ◆ Check through "snail mail" to Solomons UMC, P.O. Box 403, Solomons, MD 20688
- ◆ Online through VANCO, our electronic giving system.  
VANCO link can be found on our website [www.solomonsumchurch.org](http://www.solomonsumchurch.org) under ABOUT
- ◆ Reoccurring Bill Pay through your bank



## *And we connect in the name of Jesus Christ...*

There are several ways to stay connected to your church family:

- ◆ The Pew Binder is a great way to communicate your contact information. Pew Binders are located at the beginning of each pew.
- ◆ Contact/Visitor Cards are located in the front pocket of the Pew Binders. You can contact the office and/or Pastor Dottie with these cards. Fill out information and then place them in the offering plate.
- ◆ More ways to connect with us:



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