

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
MAPLE LEAF PARISH  
OCTOBER 2, 2011  
9:00 A.M.**

This morning we will be celebrating the Sacrament of our Lord's Supper at the conclusion of our worship service. For United Methodists, this has historically been an important "means of grace," an avenue for us to encounter and be moved by God. All are welcome to join us at the table, regardless of denominational affiliation. Children, who held a special place in Jesus' ministry, are also invited and encouraged to share in Christ's sacrificial gift that was undertaken for us all.

*The asterisk (\*) indicates those times in the worship when those who are able are invited to stand, if you choose to do so.*

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**PRELUDE**

\*CENTERING MUSIC "*Honor and Praise*" TFWS 2018

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(Please pass the attendance registration pads. We ask all members, as well as our guests, to fill out the information.)*

**\*CALL to WORSHIP**

L: What does it mean to be called a Christian?

**P: To bear Christ's name is to follow Christ in ministry to the world.**

L: God wishes to empower us to go into His world with the good news of Jesus Christ.

**P: We open ourselves to receive this power.**

L: Let us praise the God who calls all of us to ministry.

**P: And who bids us use the gifts He has placed within us.**

\*HYMN of PRAISE "*Here I Am, Lord*" UMH 593

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

**O God our Father: We praise You for calling us to be a servant people and for gathering us into the Body of Christ. We thank You for choosing to add to our number of brothers and sisters in faith this morning. Together may we so live in Your Spirit, and so love one another, that we may have the mind of Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom we give honor and glory forever. Amen.**

\*THE PASSING of the PEACE

THE SCRIPTURE Psalm 31:1-3, 14-16

**THE PRESENTATION OF THE CONFIRMATION CLASS**

Brandon Hammersma  
Hannah Ramaker

Children's Moment  
Special Music

**SHARING of JOYS and CONCERNS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**OUR LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**THE RECEIVING of our TITHES and OFFERING**

**Offertory Music**

Presentation of our Offering

\**Doxology (No. 95 UMH)*

\**Prayer (Unison)*

**Give us, Lord, a heart that gladly gives. Even as you gave your all for us, so may we give our all to you. May we not give out of our abundance, but out of our poverty. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

THE SCRIPTURE Matthew 6:19-24, 31-33

THE MESSAGE "Choose Your Kingdom!"

**THE SERVICE of CONFIRMATION**

\*HYMN "*I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry*" TFWS 2051

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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 our thanks and praise.**

Leader: It is right... Almighty God, now and for ever.

**People: Amen.**

The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

\*CLOSING HYMN "*O Church of God, United*"

UMH 547

**\*THE BENEDICTION (Responsive)**

L: We gathered to confess our sins.

**P: We scatter to carry God's word into the world.**

L: We gathered to praise God.

**P: We scatter to become co-builders of a new world.**

L: We gathered to dedicate our lives.

**P: We scatter to make a difference in the world.**

**ALL: May the Lord be with us as we go. Amen.**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**THIS WEEK**

Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 11:30 AM Special Charge Conference at  
Harmony UMC (Pastor Mark)

Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6:00 PM Cowboy Church in Cherry Grove.

Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM. Leadership Nominating Committee to  
meet at Faith.

Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, **Cooperative Parish Council Meeting** at 7  
PM at Faith.

Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, Wedding Rehearsal at Faith.

Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, Wedding at Faith

Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 PM worship service at Faith.

**NEXT SUNDAY**

8:30 A.M. Worship at Fountain UMC

9:00 A.M. Worship at Faith Church

10:00 A.M. Church School at Faith Church.

10:00 A.M. Worship at Cherry Grove

The next **COWBOY CHURCH SERVICE** will be this Sunday  
(October 2<sup>nd</sup>) in Cherry Grove beginning at 6 p.m. Several of our  
regular musicians will be with us.

*My times are in your hands...*

*Psalm 31:15*



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