

The October edition of our newsletter, The Messenger, is available. If you would like to receive a full-color digital copy via email, please indicate that in the fellowship folder. Paper copies are available in the back of the sanctuary.

The Upper Room devotional guide for July/ August is available, and can be found in the church stairway or on the back shelf. Please take one.

The latest edition of the AUMC Membership Directory and Birthday/ Anniversary List can be found in the back of the sanctuary.

For upcoming events, please visit our website at www.avonnyumc.org. Also, follow us on Facebook at facebook.com/AvonnyUMC, and on Twitter @UMCAVON

Hearing assistance is available for our services. Just let an usher know for assistance.

For handicap accessibility to the second floor please let the greeter at the door know of this need.

Children are always welcome in worship. Coloring books, crayons, and activity bags are available from the usher.

Please feel free to contact the church with any questions or concerns at 226-8600. This week's office hours are Tuesday and Friday from 10AM - 1 PM, and Thursday from 9AM-12PM.

If you are interested in purchasing Tops gift cards, an on-going fund-raiser for our church, please see Elaine Davis.

If you are making any purchases on Amazon.com, don't forget to select our church in the AmazonSmiles program!

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This Week's Church Activities

Sunday, October 21, 2018

7:30 Radio Ministry WYSL 1040AM
10:00 Worship Service
11:00 Prayer Team
11:00 Trustee Meeting

Monday

6:00 Partnership Dinner

Sunday, October 28, 2018

7:30 Radio Ministry WYSL 1040AM
10:00 Worship Service

We hope that you have felt God's love
In a new, refreshing way
For you're so welcomed in this place
And we hope you'll come again,
To join with us in fellowship
And to make some special friends.

Our Church Staff

Pastor:	Natalie Bowerman
Instrumentalist:	Mark Brennan
Office Manager:	Mark Brennan
Music Director:	Linda Rosebrough
Sound Engineer:	Mark Blakely
Custodian:	Bob Wright
Lay Leader:	Alex Albany
Child Care Providers:	Kristina Torres Alex Herman

"GOD'S TOY BOX, PART 2: THE SLINKY DOG"



Welcome to the Avon United Methodist Church. Our congregation includes people of all backgrounds and perspectives, and we affirm God's grace and love for all people, no matter where you are from, what you look like, or who you love. We gather out of our common love for God and his people, and we are glad you are with us. Our mission is to follow in the path of Jesus so that we may grow in faith, serve in his name, and share God's love.

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Radio Ministry Sundays 7:30am, WYSL1040

**October 21, 2018
10:00 AM**

ORDER OF WORSHIP
22nd Sunday after Pentecost
*Please Stand in Body or Spirit

WE GATHER

Welcome *Please fill out Fellowship Folder*
Prelude "A Mighty Fortress," arr. Faye Lopez
Greeting and Announcements
Time of Centering "Intermezzo, Op. 118, No. 2,"
by Johannes Brahms

*Call to Worship
God is at the head of everything we do.
Wherever we go, God takes the first step.
God laid the foundations of the earth at its creation; we have each new morning because God created day.
God is at the end of everything we do.
Our days end because God created night, and God helps us catch up when we fall behind.
God is before us, God is behind us, God is within us always, and in the spaces between, there's us.
We stretch for God, we compress for God, and we can't help but stay close to God in all things.
Let us worship God.

*Praying Together
God of all creation, you are the head, and we are your body. When we worship you in Spirit and in Truth, you show us where to go. Reveal to us where you want us to go today. When we fall short of your purpose, follow us from behind, and show us how to get back on your path. When our ways don't match yours, and our body starts to stray, tether us to you, so we can never wander away too far. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn #92, "For the Beauty of the Earth," v. 1-2, 6

WE LISTEN AND PRAY

Scripture: Mark 10: 35-45

³⁵ James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to Jesus and asked, "Teacher, will you do us a favor?"
³⁶ Jesus asked them what they wanted, ³⁷ and they answered, "When you come into your glory, please let one of us sit at your right side and the other at your left."
³⁸ Jesus told them, "You don't really know what you're asking! Are you able to drink from the cup that I must soon drink from or be baptized as I must be baptized?"
³⁹ "Yes, we are!" James and John answered.

Then Jesus replied, "You certainly will drink from the cup from which I must drink. And you will be baptized just as I must! ⁴⁰ But it isn't for me to say who will sit at my right side and at my left. That is for God to decide."

⁴¹ When the ten other disciples heard this, they were angry with James and John. ⁴² But Jesus called the disciples together and said:

You know that those foreigners who call themselves kings like to order their people around. And their great leaders have full power over the people they rule. ⁴³ But don't act like them. If you want to be great, you must be the servant of all the others. ⁴⁴ And if you want to be first, you must be everyone's slave. ⁴⁵ The Son of Man did not come to be a slave master, but a slave who will give his life to rescue many people.

Sharing Our Prayers, Pastor's Prayer, Lord's Prayer

Gift of Music "His Eye is On the Sparrow," arr. Jack Schrader

Conversations with Children

Sermon "God's Toy Box, Part 2: The Slinky Dog"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

*Hymn #397, "I Need Thee Every Hour," v. 1-2

Joy of Giving "Crown Him King of Kings," arr. Carol Tornquist

*Doxology "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow," #95

*Prayer of Thanksgiving
God of all glory, you hem us in, behind and before. Guide these gifts in that same way, so that we use them to fulfill your purpose for us. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*Hymn #152, "I Sing the Almighty Power of God," v. 1-2

*Benediction

Postlude "On Our Way Rejoicing," by Terry Osman

Assisting In Worship Today

Pastor	Natalie Bowerman
Ushers	Marcia Cameron, June Despard Mavis Preston, Malinda Wilson
Reader	Stormy Bailey
Instrumentalist	Mark Brennan
Music Director	Linda Rosebrough
Sound Engineer	Mark Blakely

The flowers on the altar are given by Jackie Potter, in celebration of our October birthdays!

Church News & Notes...

The Food Pantry is asking that we provide canned fruit, canned peas, and canned green beans. Please bring donations to church, if possible.