

The Upper Room devotional guide for November/ December 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](https://www.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 Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9AM- 12PM, and Tuesday and Friday from 10AM -1 PM.

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!

Printed Scriptures are from Contemporary English Version. All hymns or lyrics are used by permission: CCLI # 923595

This Week's Church Activities

Sunday, November 11, 2018

7:30 Radio Ministry WYSL 1040AM
8:08 Men's Breakfast at Peppermint's Diner
10:00 Worship Service
11:15 Worship Team

Monday

7:00 United Methodist Women

Wednesday

7:00 Chancel Choir

Friday

10:00 Bible Study

Sunday, November 18, 2018

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

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

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.

"GOD'S TOY BOX, PART 5: MR. POTATO HEAD"



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.

Avon United Methodist Church
130 Genesee St, Avon, NY 14414
585-226-8600
www.avonnyumc.org
Radio Ministry Sundays 7:30am, WYSL1040

**November 11, 2018
10:00 AM**

ORDER OF WORSHIP
25th Sunday after Pentecost
*Please Stand in Body or Spirit

WE GATHER

Welcome *Please fill out Fellowship Folder*
Prelude "No One Like Our God," arr. John Cumberland
Greeting and Announcements
Time of Centering "I Worship You, Almighty God,"
arr. John Cumberland

***Call to Worship**

When we look around at the children of God, we see lots of different faces.

We see different colors, and different features, and we judge each other based on what we see.

But what we see on the outside is only skin deep.

What's on the outside is layers we put on, and some of us wear false faces.

Nothing on the outside reveals our true selves; the person God created is on the inside.

As we worship together, let us transcend what we see on the outside, and focus on the Spirit within.

***Praying Together**

Creator God, a lot of us have the privilege to dress up as whatever we want others to see. We put on clothes that make us look important, and we wear faces that make us look happy. We live with the luxury of being able to hide what's real, and sometimes we forget this and succumb to the deception of others. Help us take off our masks and costumes, and find genuine beauty and promise under the façade. Amen.

*Hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling," #384 v. 1-2, 4

Stewardship Moment

WE LISTEN AND PRAY

Scripture: Mark 12: 38-44

³⁸ As Jesus was teaching, he said: Guard against the teachers of the Law of Moses! They love to walk around in long robes and be greeted in the market. ³⁹ They like the front seats in the meeting places and the best seats at banquets.

⁴⁰ But they cheat widows out of their homes and pray long prayers just to show off. They will be punished most of all.

⁴¹ Jesus was sitting in the temple near the offering box and watching people put in their gifts. He noticed that many rich people were giving a lot of money. ⁴² Finally, a poor widow came up and put in two coins that were worth only a few pennies. ⁴³ Jesus told his disciples to gather around him. Then he said: I tell you that this poor widow has put in more than all the others. ⁴⁴ Everyone else gave what they didn't need. But she is very poor and gave everything she had. Now she doesn't have a cent to live on.

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

Gift of Music "Cantate Domino," by Natalie Sleeth

Conversations with Children

Sermon "God's Toy Box, Part 5: Mr. Potato Head"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Video "Stained-Glass Masquerade," by Casting Crowns

Joy of Giving "Come, Thou Fount!" arr. Bethany Smith

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

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Loving God, in bringing these gifts we follow the example of the widow, who didn't brag about what she could afford to give away, but who humbly parted with all she had. When we come face to face with our lowliness, you exalt us, and make our riches increase. Amen.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*Hymn "Marching to Zion," #733, v.1-2

*Benediction

Postlude "O Worship the King," arr. Charity Book Putnam

Assisting In Worship Today

Pastor	Natalie Bowerman
Ushers	Laurie Combs, Jackie Tickner
Reader	Craig Bailey
Instrumentalist	Mark Brennan
Music Director	Linda Rosebrough
Sound Engineer	Mark Blakely

The flowers on the altar are given by Bob & Ginny House, in appreciation for all our veterans and those men and women in the Armed Forces today protecting our freedom.

Church News & Notes...

The Food Pantry is asking that we provide canned green beans, gravy, canned pumpkin, pie crust, stuffing mix, mushroom soup, cranberry sauce and evaporated milk for the Thanksgiving baskets. Please bring donations to church by November 11th, if possible. (Perishable food is being furnished by Foodlink.) Baskets will be assembled at the East Avon Fire Hall on November 12 at 9AM.

The November 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.