

### 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.

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 September/October 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](http://www.avonnyumc.org). Also, follow us on Facebook at [www.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, 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!

### This Week's Church Activities

**Sunday, October 7, 2018 (World Communion Sunday)**

7:30 Radio Ministry WYSL 1040AM

10:00 Worship Service

**Monday**

7:00 United Methodist Women

**Wednesday**

7:00 Chancel Choir

**Friday**

10:00 Bible Study

**Sunday, October 14, 2018**

7:30 Radio Ministry WYSL 1040AM

8:08 Men's Breakfast at Peppermint's Diner

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.

**Pastor:**

**Instrumentalist:**

**Office Manager:**

**Music Director:**

**Sound Engineer:**

**Custodian:**

**Lay Leader:**

**Child Care Providers:**

Natalie Bowerman

Mark Brennan

Mark Brennan

Linda Rosebrough

Mark Blakely

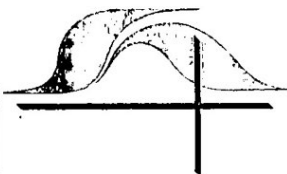
Bob Wright

Alex Albany

Kristina Torres

Alex Herman

## "A Church for All"



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, WYSL 1040

**October 7, 2018**  
**10:00 AM**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
\*Please Stand in Body or Spirit  
^See Insert

**WE GATHER**

Welcome *Please fill out Fellowship Folder*

Prelude "I Am Bound for the Promised Land,"  
arr. Hugh Livingston, Jr.

Greeting and Announcements

Time of Centering "Do This in Remembrance of Me,"  
arr. Lani Smith

\*Call to Worship  
From troubled times, and difficult walks,  
we come to the arms of Christ.  
From separate journeys and diverse experiences,  
we gather to worship as one.  
As brothers and sisters in Christ,  
we come to God, who welcomes us here.

\*Praying Together  
Holy God, as we gather in your glorious presence, come  
and make us holy. As we come together to celebrate the  
gifts of life, love, and grace, which you offer to us, freely  
given, make our hearts grateful. Guide us, that we may  
receive your teachings and walk in your truth. Shepherd  
us on this path, that when we encounter a stranger, we  
will welcome them in your name as a friend. Strengthen  
our holy communion, that we may create a community of  
belonging, where all are included, and where your grace  
binds us together in unity and love. Amen.

\*Hymn #548, v. 1-2, 4 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

**WE LISTEN AND PRAY**

Scripture: Mark 10: 2-16

<sup>2</sup>Some Pharisees wanted to test Jesus. So they came  
up to him and asked if it was right for a man to divorce his  
wife. <sup>3</sup>Jesus asked them, "What does the Law of Moses say  
about that?"

<sup>4</sup>They answered, "Moses allows a man to write out  
divorce papers and send his wife away."

<sup>5</sup>Jesus replied, "Moses gave you this law because  
you are so heartless. <sup>6</sup>But in the beginning God made a man  
and a woman. <sup>7</sup>That's why a man leaves his father and  
mother and gets married. <sup>8</sup>He becomes like one person with  
his wife. Then they are no longer two people, but one. <sup>9</sup>And  
no one should separate a couple that God has joined  
together."

<sup>10</sup>When Jesus and his disciples were back in the  
house, they asked him about what he had said. <sup>11</sup>He told  
them, "A man who divorces his wife and marries someone  
else is unfaithful to his wife. <sup>12</sup>A woman who divorces her  
husband and marries again is also unfaithful."

<sup>13</sup>Some people brought their children to Jesus so that  
he could bless them by placing his hands on them. But his  
disciples told the people to stop bothering him.

<sup>14</sup>When Jesus saw this, he became angry and said,  
"Let the children come to me! Don't try to stop them. People  
who are like these little children belong to the kingdom of  
God." <sup>15</sup>I promise you that you cannot get into God's kingdom,  
unless you accept it the way a child does." <sup>16</sup>Then Jesus took  
the children in his arms and blessed them by placing his  
hands on them.

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

Gift of Music "Break the Bread, Pour the Wine,"  
arr. Mark Hayes

Conversations with Children

Sermon "A Church for All"

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE**

\*Joy of Giving "His Eye is On the Sparrow," arr. Mark Hayes  
\*Doxology "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow," #95

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving  
Holy God, thank you for your many gifts and your loving  
deeds in our lives. As we bring our gifts to your altar,  
send your Spirit through these offerings, that others may  
know your loving deeds, experience your abundant  
grace, and see your miraculous strength. In Jesus' name,  
we pray. Amen.

**AWE CELEBRATE COMMUNION**

**WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

\*Hymn (with video)

\*Benediction

Postlude "Forward in His Name," by Kevin Boesiger

**Assisting in Worship Today**

Pastor	Natalie Bowerman
Ushers	Stormy & Craig Bailey Gary & Elaine Davis
Reader	Bobby Luu
Instrumentalist	Mark Brennan
Music Director	Linda Rosebrough
Sound Engineer	Mark Blakely

The flowers on the altar are given by Sean and Natalie,  
because we love you guys!

We give special thanks to Heather Arnold for sharing her  
musical gifts with us this morning!

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