

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Homecoming Sunday | Four Oaks United Methodist Church

October 10, 2021 11am

*(Large-print bibles/hymnals are available;
an usher can help you with these items.)*

Gathering

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

L: Trust in the Lord and have hope and joy!

All: May the Lord bless and strengthen all of us and our church!

L: God has been good to us; we proclaim with hope that God will be good to us!

All: God is our refuge and strength. Praise be to God this day and forevermore!

The Opening Prayer

Almighty God, our Guide and Guardian, you have led us apart from the busy world into the quiet of your house. Grant us grace to worship you in Spirit and in truth, to the comfort of our souls and the upbuilding of every good purpose and holy desire. Enable us to do more perfectly the work to which you have called us that we may share your light to the world. We also pray for our beloved church, Four Oaks United Methodist Church. Through uncertainty, distress, and change, your love and grace has remained steadfast. And through celebration and hopeful discipleship, Lord, we pray that you are glorified. May the blessing of your Holy Spirit now surround us all as we worship together and may your Spirit be present with us in our days ahead. All of this we pray with praise and hope through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Opening Hymn *“Hallelujah, I’m Ready”* Emily Kirsch,
Kandis & Russell Johnson

Proclamation of the Word

First Scripture Reading Psalm 95:1-7
Primary Scripture Reading Mark 5:18-20
Sermon *“Welcome Home!”* Rev. Adam Charville

Response to the Word

Sharing of Joys & Concerns
Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Offertory *“Pass Me Not”* Emily Kirsch
Kandis & Russell Johnson

Prayer of Thanksgiving
Closing Hymn *“Gospel Hymn Medley”* Emily Kirsch
Kandis & Russell Johnson

Sending Forth

Benediction

We offer gratitude to Emily Kirsch, Kandis & Russell Johnson for sharing their gift of music to lead us in worship today.

The End of Worship *The Beginning of Service*

Assisting in Worship

Greeters: Edna & Harvey Eubanks
Ushers: Dodd & Sherri Matthews
Children’s Church: *No Children’s Church this week*
Nursery: Amy McLamb & Tonya Parker
Sound/Video: Emily Kirsch, Nick Kirsch,
Dodd Matthews, Mike Smith

Last Week’s Attendance: Sunday School: 35, Worship: 83
Last Week’s Offering: General Fund: \$6,223.02 (Need \$4,575 each Sunday)

Cares of the Congregation

Diane Austin, Scott Barnes, Gertrud Beaver, TJ Beroth, Cheryl & Bill Brent, Albert Brewer, Donald Caudill, Camden Clendenin, Dave Doherty, Bonnie Hines, Rev. Al Hocutt, Donna Honeycutt, Pete Lassiter, Darlene Massengill, Kristie O’Neal, Tonya Parker, Barbara Rhodes, Barbara Stephenson, Tim Westbrook

Nursing & Rest Home Care: Betty Barber (Brookdale), Hilda Dunn (Liberty Commons), Mike Wagon (McLamb’s)

Opportunities This Week

Today: 12:30pm, Churchwide Picnic (*Matthews’ Residence*)
Wednesday: 7pm, Weekly Lectionary Reflection (*Sanctuary*)
Next Sunday: 9:45am, Sunday School (*Classes for all ages*)

11am, Worship
12:30pm, Staff-Parish & Returning Team Meeting (*FH*)
2:30pm, Youth leaving to hike at Raven Rock State Park

Announcements & Upcoming Events

- Charge Conference: Wed, Oct. 20, 6:30pm (Zoom) - Administrative Council members are expected to attend; all are invited.
- Country Store & Yard Sale - Nov. 5 & 6 - Please spread the word and sign up to help on the sheet in the sanctuary entrance. Baked/canned goods, crafts, yard sale items, and helping hands will be needed.
- All Saints Sunday Candle Burning - Nov. 7 - If you would like to have the name of a departed saint in your life listed, please fill out the form in the sanctuary entrance or on the church website and submit to a UMW member. Cost: \$5/name (*proceeds go to the Building Fund*)
- Candy Project for Local Healthcare Workers - Through Nov. 7, we'll be collecting candy to offer with thank-you cards to local healthcare workers in partnership with JoCo Emergency Management. All are invited to bring any of the following items and place them in the bin at the sanctuary entrance:
 - Rolls** - Lifesavers, mints
 - Packs** - Extra Gum, Dots, Sweet Tarts, Reese's Pieces, Starburst, M&Ms, Tootsie Rolls
 - Pops** - Blow Pops, Tootsie Roll pops
 - Bars** - Take 5, Reese's, Mounds, 100 Grand, Kind, Health Warrior, Perfect, Rx Bar
- Nursery Schedule - Please remember to check the nursery schedule to know your date to serve. If you are unavailable, please switch weeks with someone and contact Susan Vann to inform her of the change.
- Grocery Item of the Month: Bag of rice. Please place items in bin at sanctuary entrance.