

# SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 16, 2018

9:30 AM

*Please enter the sanctuary quietly and reverently in the presence of the Lord, and quiet your cell phones.*

WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Noemi Meza

PRELUDE

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

Donna Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

Randy Riotto

Leader: Who is wise and understanding among us?

**People: It is those who do not follow the advice of the wicked or take the path that sinners tread; those who do not sit in the seat of scoffers.**

Leader: Our delight is in the teachings of the Holy One, meditating day and night on the word of God.

**People: As we draw near to God, God draws near to us.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

**People: Let us worship God!**

†OPENING HYMN

*I Sing the Almighty Power of God*

Hymn 152

†PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Randy Riotto

**God of wisdom and grace, you call us to be servants to all, and to welcome strangers and children in your name. You call us to be men and women of valor, and to do what is right and worthy, without thought of reward. Help us to delight in your word, and to live in your peace, that we may be known as your people. Amen.**

Prayer Response:

*Jesus, My Jesus*

On the wall

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response: **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE 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.**

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Nearer, My God, to Thee  
(verses 1, 3, and 5)

Hymn 528

SCRIPTURE READING

New Testament: James 3:1-12

Randy Riotto

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

*Welcome Everyone*

Chancel Choir

MESSAGE

“Opened Mouths Require Caution”

Pastor Noemi Meza

RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*This Is My Father's World*

Donna Bach

†DOXOLOGY

On the wall

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Pastor Noemi Meza

**Holy Sovereign, you are our King; we are your people. Forsaking the ways of the haughty, we reach for our brothers and sisters in faith, our mothers and fathers in Spirit, so that we may care for the meek and the lowly. Use these offerings to fulfill your will in our world, that all may be drawn into your family of faith. Amen.**

†CLOSING HYMN *Christ for the World We Sing* (verses 1, 3, 4) Hymn 568

†BENEDICTION *Alleluia* All are invited to sing this praise to God.

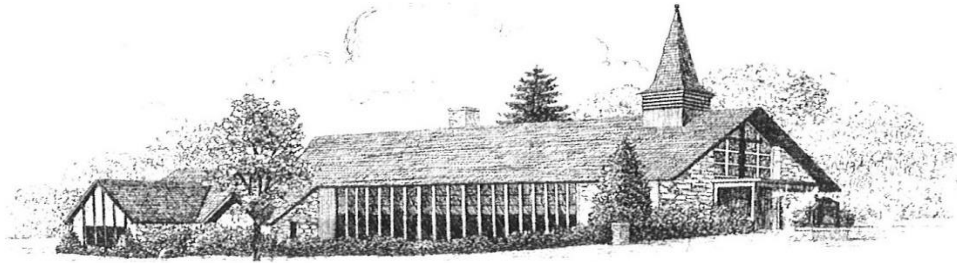
POSTLUDE

*Alla Breve* – G. F. Handel

Donna Bach

† Those who are able are requested to stand.

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## **Wesley United Methodist Church**

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### **Vision:**

**Living in the light of God's love and following Christ, we joyfully embrace the future as a welcoming multi-cultural church. We gather for worship, learning, spiritual growth and fellowship. We go out to serve, sharing the light of Christ by promoting justice, loving kindness, and walking humbly with God.**

(Adopted by the Wesley Church Council, April 14, 2013)

### **Sunday Morning Schedule**

9:30 A.M. Worship

Fellowship Time Following

Sunday School 11:00A.M. - Spanish Service 11:30 A.M.

### **Office Hours**

Monday through Thursday 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

### **Church Staff**

Noemi Meza –Lead Pastor

Omaira Mora –Fe y Esperanza Pastor

Nereyda SanchezTio – Music Director

Donna Bach – Organist/Pianist

Erika Bringas & Santos Ortiz – Worship Multimedia

Gwen Catron– Office Administrator

Rod Ball – Custodian

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