



## Faith Community United Methodist Church

5315 Harford Road  
Baltimore, MD 21214  
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Church: 410-426-8177

Sunday, Nov 26, 2017 Christ the King Sunday  
10:00 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

### WE GATHER FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

PRELUDE

Keith Harmon

GREETING & VISITOR WELCOME

Alan Schwartz

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us gather together all who await the return of the Lord!

**Let our hearts always be ready to stand before the throne of God!**

For the Lord will come again and God's judgment will be real.

**And we are each called to share God's love while there is yet time.**

So let us lift our voices in song and praise for God's abiding love!

**Blessed be the name of the Lord!**

\*OPENING HYMN: FWS# 2151 "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

*[Black Hymnal]*

PRAYER FOR FAITH:

**Lord, we confess we are not ready for Your return. Too often we have heard the cries of the hungry and not fed them, or we have heard the pleas of the needy and walked past them, or we have known of the sick and imprisoned and not cared for them. Forgive us, Lord, and help us from this day on to openly share Your love with all we meet. In Christ we pray. Amen.**

*[Silent prayers of confession and forgiveness of others]*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

**All: Glory to God! AMEN.**

### WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION: UMH p. 6

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 100  
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[Psalter, UMH p.821; sung Response

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 25:31-46

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God

**People: Thanks be to God!**

MUSIC OF PRAISE: FWS #2074 "Shout to the Lord" *[Black Hymnal]*

YOUNG PEOPLE'S BLESSING

Kate Ehrenberger

HYMN OF PREPARATION: UMH #381

*[Red Hymnal]* "Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us"

SERMON

Pastor Ron Dodson

### WE CELEBRATE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

*We are ever growing in Christ, inviting each one to make a difference.*

## PRAISE REPORTS

PRAYER CONCERNS: *“Turn your eyes upon Jesus. Look full in his wonderful face. And the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.”*

## PASTORAL PRAYER

## WE OFFER THANKSGIVING

### WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND GIFTS

*Special UM offering for UM Student Day.*

### OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY: UMH #95 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" *[Red Hymnal]*

## WE DEPART TO SERVE

### REMINDERS

### BLESSING WITH A MISSION

POSTLUDE *Please remain seated until the candles are extinguished and the music is finished, then go to the Fellowship Hall to meet and greet one another.*

*Thought for your journey:* God gives us each a song. [Ute]



### Scripture Lessons for December 4, 2017; First Sunday in Advent:

- Isaiah 64:1-9
- Psalm 80: 1-19
- 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
- Mark 13:24-37

### Announcements:

- Giving Tuesday 11/28, see bulletin insert
- Trustee Meeting today 12n in the Great Room
- December 3, the season of Advent begins
- Wednesday, December 6, 7 p.m.; Charge Conference
- **Toy Drive** at Faith Community/Eastern United Methodist Church. The churches will be collecting new toys to be given to the children of fallen officers and incarcerated parents. Contact the church (410) 752-8475 or Rev. Jay Blake at [priceless226@comcast.net](mailto:priceless226@comcast.net)

### **On the Prayer List:**

Lou Collins suffered a stroke in early November and is now at Manor Care Roland Park (4669 Falls Rd Baltimore MD 21209, 410-662-8606) for rehabilitation. He would welcome cards and visitors.

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