

ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome & Announcements Michael Whitmore  
Greeting One Another  
Prelude Darrell McCune  
“All My Trials”

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (\*Please stand if you are able)

L: Though our faith may be as tiny as the smallest seed,  
C: **God can do miracles with what we offer.**  
L: Though our offerings may be planted among the weeds,  
C: **God creates victories where we least expect them.**  
L: God has planted in each of us the seeds of faith.  
C: **God can do great things, especially in me.**  
L: God will do miracles in our lives!  
(Adapted from Erik Alsgaard)

\*Hymns of Praise  
“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me” TFWS#2153  
“We Are Called” TFWS#2172

\*Prayer of Confession  
Loving God, when we think we know better than you – when we are positive a tiny mustard seed can’t possibly help us, when we block a person from your love and service because we are certain that you could never make use of them, forgive us, we pray.  
We admit that far too often we judge people by their outward appearance. In doing so we cover your wisdom with our ignorance, your grace with our stubbornness, your new ways with our old ways.  
Teach us, O God, to look for you in unexpected and unusual places, that we might break out of old molds into new life . In Jesus’ precious name we pray. Amen.

A Time for Children Liz Smith  
  
\*The Gospel Lesson Mark 4:26-34  
  
L: This is the Word of the Lord  
C: **Thanks be to God**

Word through Music Men of Note  
“How Sweet the Sound”

The Morning Message Rev. Whitmore  
  
“When Appearances Are Deceiving”

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Darrell McCune  
“My Savior’s Love”

\*Doxology  
Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Lord’s Prayer Rev. Whitmore

\*Hymn of Dedication UMW #583  
  
“You Are The Seed”

\*Benediction and Response  
  
“Shalom to You” UMH #666

Postlude Darrell McCune  
“Oh, How I Love Jesus”

Head Usher for second quarter: Roger Carson  
Ushers: Roger Carson, Ruth Chapman, Bill Ayers  
Greeters: Friendship Circle

Mark 4:26-34 Common English Bible (CEB)

26 Then Jesus said, “This is what God’s kingdom is like. It’s as though someone scatters seed on the ground, 27 then sleeps and wakes night and day. The seed sprouts and grows, but the farmer doesn’t know how. 28 The earth produces crops all by itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full head of grain. 29 Whenever the crop is ready, the farmer goes out to cut the grain because it’s harvest time.”

30 He continued, “What’s a good image for God’s kingdom? What parable can I use to explain it? 31 Consider a mustard seed. When scattered on the ground, it’s the smallest of all the seeds on the earth; 32 but when it’s planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all vegetable plants. It produces such large branches that the birds in the sky are able to nest in its shade.”

33 With many such parables he continued to give them the word, as much as they were able to hear. 34 He spoke to them only in parables, then explained everything to his disciples when he was alone with them.

**Birthdays**

6/18 Bonita Kitts 6/20 Muriel Rayson

6/22 Zondra Waymire

**This Week at Ottawa First**

**Sunday, June 17th**

8:45am - 9:15am Open Gym for Youth - Gym  
7:00pm - 8:00pm NA - MacDuffie Room

**Monday, June 18th**

8:00am - 1:00pm Basketball Practice - Gym  
4:00pm - 9:00pm Basketball Practice - Gym  
6:30pm - 7:30pm Shutter Bug Group - Oxford Room  
7:00pm - 8:00pm Hands of Glory Rehearsal - Sanctuary

**Tuesday, June 19th**

9:00am - 10:00am Donuts & Devotions - First Cup  
4:00pm - 9:00pm Basketball Practice - Gym  
7:00pm - 8:00pm NA - MacDuffie Room

**Wednesday, June 20th**

8:00am - 1:00pm VBS - Lg Dining Room  
6:30pm - 8:00pm Grief Share - Parlor  
7:00pm - 8:00pm Scout Troop #77 - North Rm. off Gym  
8:30pm - 9:30pm Men of Note Rehearsal - Sanctuary

**Thursday, June 21st**

8:00am - 2:00pm Basketball Practice - Gym  
4:15pm - 5:15pm Body Gospel Exercise - Oxford Room  
6:00pm - 7:00pm Finance Meeting - Finance Office  
7:00pm - 8:00pm NA - MacDuffie Room

**Friday, June 22nd**

8:00am - 1:00pm Basketball Practice - Gym  
4:00pm - 9:00pm Basketball Practice - Gym

**Saturday, June 23rd**

8:00am - 5:00pm Basketball Practice - Gym



**We will be sending out a newsletter at the end of each month. The deadline for articles to be included will be the third Monday of each month and the deadline for June will be June 18.**

**The bulletin is printed Thursday morning. Please have all announcements in the office by 9am Thursday.**

**Chair Yoga is taking a break for the month of June. They will let us know when the next class will be.**

**If you are interested in becoming a member of this congregation, please see Pastor Kathleen.**

Last week's Attendance: 100  
Last week's Offering: \$3346.50

**Prayers and Concerns**

Archie & Cecilia McGehee, Dee Anne Harnden, Bev Lueers ,

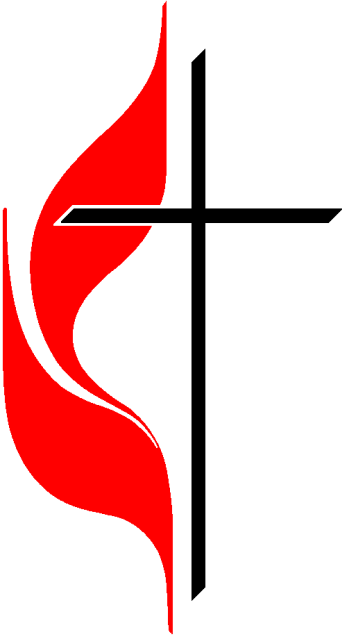
**Please pray for all our Servicemen & women**

**To add a name to the Prayer Chain list please contact:**  
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Judy Lanning: 242-7643 Email: [diamlanning@sbcglobal.net](mailto:diamlanning@sbcglobal.net)  
**Please contact the office with any changes. Names will be removed after 3 weeks unless the office is notified otherwise.**

# CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

JUNE 17, 2018  
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OUR VISION  
“MEETING PEOPLE, MEETING NEEDS,  
MEETING CHRIST”



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