

ST. JOHN'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
"Bringing People to Christ and Christ to People"

October 18, 2026

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE (*Please prepare your hearts and minds for worship.*)

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

WELCOME – *A hearing assistance system and large print materials are available. See an usher.*

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (**Please rise in body or spirit.*)

Leader: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth! Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs!

People: **We enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise. We give thanks to him and praise his name!**

Leader: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

People: **God has called us by name, gifted us by his Spirit, and joined us together in service.**

Leader: Today we celebrate the ministry he has placed among us—every act of love, every word of grace, and every hand extended in his name.

People: **Let our hearts be full of gladness as we offer our praise and rededicate our lives to his work.**

Leader: The Lord is here in our midst.

All: **Let us worship God together!**

***HYMN** *Majesty*

UMH 176

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 4: 11-13

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The Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

FIS WEEKEND FOOD BAGS *Jennifer, Frank, Nicholas, Anna*

HYMN *Freely, Freely* UMH 389

GOD'S KITCHEN *Buddy*

WORSHIP WITH OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY** UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all
creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***BLESSING THE OFFERING**

FRUITLAND BAPTIST FOOD PANTRY *Dudley*

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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, the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

HYMN *They'll Know (vs 1,3,4)* FWS 2223

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST *Melissa*

***HYMN** *Here I Am, Lord (vs 2-3)* UMH 593

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION** *Lord, I Lift Your Name* FWS 2088

EXTINGUISHING OF ALTAR CANDLES

POSTLUDE

☞ Announcements ☞

BAZAAR WORK SCHEDULE

Thursday, Oct 22	Wash sweet potatoes (starts at 9:00 am)
Friday, Oct 23	Cook/process sweet potatoes (8:30 am)
Tuesday, Oct 27	Wash/peel/cut soup vegetables (8:30 am)
Wednesday, Oct 28	Cook/skin/pick chicken and wash/process celery for chicken salad (starts 8:30 am)
Thursday, Oct 29	Make sweet potato pies/biscuits AND set-up tables (starts 8:30 am)
Friday, Oct 30	BAZAAR – DOORS OPEN 9:00 am PLEASE arrive at 7:00 am

Questions:

Melissa	443-944-2609 (prefers texts, but voicemail OK)
Lori	443-754-1951
Cathy	410-749-7629 (home); 443-359-1923 (cell)

FRUITLAND BAPTIST FOOD BANK – Requests include spaghetti sauce, diced tomatoes, soups, pancake mix, instant potatoes, fruit cups, and toilet paper.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST FAMILY SUPPORT – Requests include: corn flour, vegetable oil, sugar, spaghetti noodles and sauce, rice, beans, and feminine hygiene products.

PRAYER CHAIN – Call or text Pat Kern at 443-783-6423.

SOCIAL HOUR – See Buddy Pennewell or Cathy Grim to help.

Music Director: Mike Nelson
Videographer: Roger Vandegrift
Liturgist: Buddy Pennewell
ASL Interpreter: Lynn Kohler

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MINISTRIES OF ST. JOHN'S UMC

Blanket Ministry: provides a “blanket of prayer and love” to anyone in the congregation who is in the hospital or seriously ill

Prayer Chain and Card Ministry: provides additional support to those with a need with a caring word and prayer

Deaf Ministry: provides deaf ministry through the provision of an ASL interpreter on the first and third Sundays of each month; available both in person during worship services and on live-streaming on the web

Fruitland Baptist Food Pantry: provides food, household necessities, and financial support to a sister church's pantry for those in need in the Fruitland community

National Night Out: provides support during the annual event to foster better relationships between the residents of Fruitland and law enforcement

Fruitland Community Thanksgiving Dinner: provides financial support through the “Turkey Fund” to support Fruitland Baptist's annual Thanksgiving Dinner for over 1,000 diners

Christmas 4 Kids: provides financial support for the City of Fruitland Police Department's toy drive which distribute toys from Santa from the back of a firetruck in local neighborhoods

Fruitland Intermediate School (FIS) – Weekend Meals for Kids: provides thirty (30) meal bags once per month - enough to last an entire weekend - for students that have been identified by the school

Fruitland Intermediate School (FIS) – Clothes for Kids: provides clothing donations as needed for students identified by the school

Salisbury Urban Ministries: provides approximately 150 bagged lunches and drinks for those served by God's Kitchen twice per year. Personal hygiene items (in the spring) and gloves and socks (in the fall) are included in the distribution. Financial support is provided when Salisbury Urban Ministries asks for specific contributions, such as support for children attending the summer YMCA Youth Camp.

HALO: provides financial support to HALO which is a Christ-centered faith-based ministry providing programs and services for the homeless and hurting men, women, and children in our community

Lions Club: provides meeting space and kitchen facilities for The Lions Club

Seventh Day Adventist Church: provides food/household items and a meeting space for prayer meetings and worship services for a congregation of the Chesapeake Council of the Seventh Day Adventist Church

UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief): provides financial support for the administration of UMCOR as well as relief services

Salisbury University Wesley Foundation: provides support for the young adult ministry that serves Salisbury University

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