



# Community United Methodist Church

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## WORDS OF WELCOME:

Pastor Jeff Holder

## OPENING HYMN:

*Give Me Jesus*

## CALL TO WORSHIP/OPENING PRAYER: *(Responsively)*

Becky Williams

Leader: When the storms of life are raging, stand by me.

**ALL:** Lord, hear my cry and rescue me!

Leader: God stands with us in bright sunshine and in deepest storm. Sunshine and storm. Rain and remembrance. All are part of the mercy and richness that are God's love for us.

**All:** God has blessed us in so many ways.

Leader: Welcome this day, to a celebration of these blessings.

**All:** Thank you. We are glad to be here!

Leader: Lord, open our hearts and spirits to Your love.

**All:** Bring us safely through the tribulations of life, for we ask this in Jesus' name. Amen!

## UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *(Responsively)*

Leader

Leader: Loving Creator, we remember that Peter asked Jesus to call to him to come out of the boat — but fear claimed him again and he began to sink. Many of us can identify with that moment when we let go of our faith and clutch onto our fears.

**ALL:** Help us to place our trust totally in you and your call to us. That is the promise you have given to us and we believe it. Be patient with us, for we are flawed and yet loved by you. Give us strong hearts and willing spirits to be your disciples. AMEN.

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE:

Pastor

Let us keep our focus on Jesus. He is our Savior and our guide. His promise to all nations and all peoples still stands. Rejoice, sisters and brothers. We are called precious by our Lord. No greater love has there ever been. We are truly forgiven.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST:

Pastor

It is said: "How beautiful are the feet of those who come proclaiming peace."

As we gather virtually, we say:

**All: May the peace and Love of Christ with each and every one of you.**

## SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS:

Pastor

## SILENT/ COMMUNITY & PASTORAL PRAYERS:

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**SCRIPTURE:** Romans 10:5-15;  
Matthew 14:22-33

Pastor  
Leader

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN:** *Spirit Song*

**MESSAGE:** *Trust the Lord*

Jim Austin

## OFFERTORY:

**CLOSING:** *Shalom*

## SENDING FORTH:

Pastor Jeff Holder

As you go into the world, even though storms may be raging, live in the peace of the Lord wherever you should go, and share it with any who will listen. Go then, in peace.



Serving you today:



*Liturgist:*  
*Acolyte:*  
*Preacher*

*Becky Williams*  
*God's Children*  
*Jim Austin*

**Small Group Online Study for both Riverbank and Oakdale:**

Small Group Meetings are currently on hiatus. Watch here for a start-up date.

If you would like to speak with us, if you desire prayer, if you would like to become a member of this church, if you would like to be baptized, or for any other purpose, please find our website and my contact information below: [vjholder@att.net](mailto:vjholder@att.net)  
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Oakdale and Riverbank  
Online Worship*



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