

First United Methodist Church Riverbank, CA
Community United Methodist Church, Oakdale, CA

WORDS OF WELCOME: Pastor Jeff Holder

OPENING HYMN: *Great and Mighty is He*

CALL TO WORSHIP/OPENING PRAYER (*responsively*) Becky Williams

Leader: Great Creator, who is, was, and always will be.

All: Ever have you been, and are indeed the one whom we worship this day.

Leader: You have created us like little flowers,

All: which grow and thrive, then wither and blow away in the wind.

Leader: Through your Holy Spirit, guide us to live in your way.

All: Give us the strength to share your word while the season is favorable.

Leader: Our moment here is indeed brief, and soon we will return to dust.

All: Heal us and shape us in your ways, that by your mighty love, we might bring this same healing and love to a world in great need.

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Leader

Leader: Eternal Creator, your presence moves our world and all those who dwell within. As we struggle to love those whom we do not know, be patient with us. In the present we are conditioned to avoiding strangers, and often feel it is not really the season for your great commission.

All: Forgive us, Lord. Mend us that we remember why we are planted here. Nurture us that we continue to grow strong in your light. Heal us with your healing love which guides us to find new ways to transform the world. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE:

Pastor

We have been charged as agents of God's love, a royal priesthood in our time. For the sake of those who have struggled before us, we also labor, as we together build on solid ground for those who will come after us. We are God's trusted agents in this holy work, for which we are renewed. We are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST:

Pastor

Taking the time to share ourselves and your love with others, heals and completes us. May we be healed and completed this day as we share the peace and love of Christ together. May all who gather with us virtually this day, join together as we greet one another:

All: May the peace and love of Christ be with each and every one of you.

SHARING OUR JOYS, CONCERNS & PRAYER REQUESTS:

SILENT/ COMMUNITY & PASTORAL PRAYERS:

SCRIPTURE:

1 John 3:1-3

Leader

Revelation 7:9-17

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

All: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF RESPONSE:

Christ Alone

MESSAGE:

Making the Way Straight

Pastor Jeff Holder

OFFERTORY & DOXOLOGY:

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COMMUNION:

CLOSING:

I Saw the Light

SENDING FORTH:

Pastor

Just as royal a priesthood, be ready to serve, as you share God's love and your faith with all who ask. Prepare to engage with those who will engage with you. Help those who suffer, no matter who they are, for God's essence is meant for the entire world. Be persistent in all seasons. Go in peace.



Serving you today:



Liturgist:
Pastor:
Doug Kolsters
Jim Austin:
Ann Butler:
Glen Gorman:
Becky Officer
Judy Nikkel:
Judy Bradley:

Becky Williams
Jeff Holder
Praise Team Director
PowerPoints/Praise Team
Praise Team
Praise Team
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Small Group Online Study for both Riverbank and Oakdale:

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

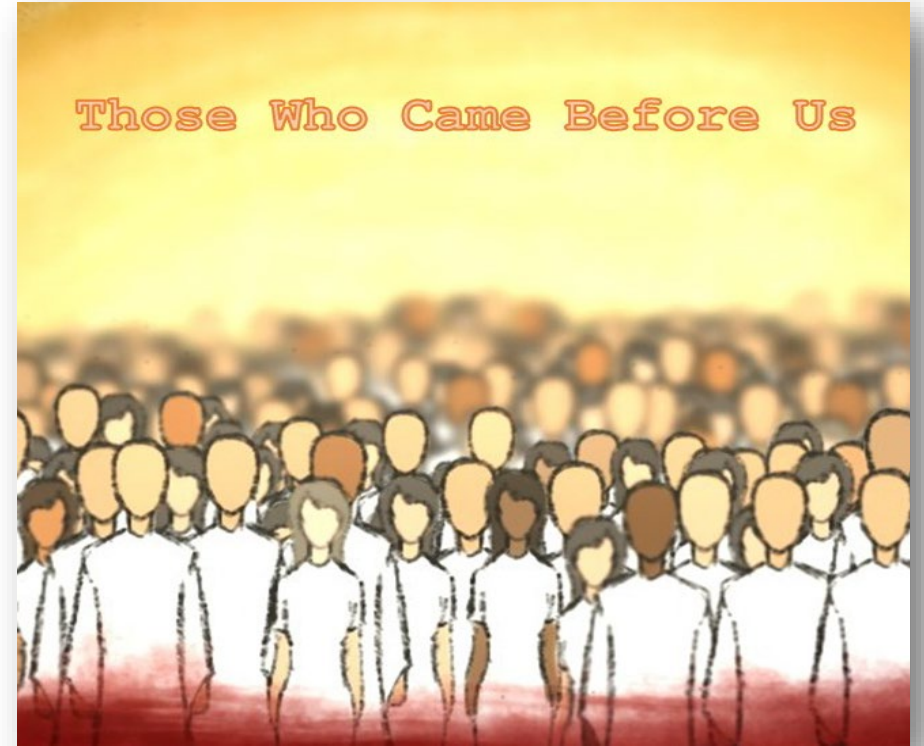
If you would like to speak with us, if you desire prayer, if you would like to become a member of this church, if you would like to be baptized, or for any other purpose, please find our website and my contact information below: vjholder@att.net
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Online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



“Making the Way Straight”
All Saints Sunday November 1, 2020
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