

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

WORDS OF WELCOME: Pastor Jeff Holder

OPENING HYMN: *Give Thanks*

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

Becky: Turn to the Lord our God, the creator of us all, who calls us today to the joy of worship and praise.

All: We give thanks to our God.

Becky: Turn to Jesus, for he is the shepherd who gathers us together and leads us.

All: We give thanks to our God.

Becky: Turn to the Holy Spirit, who dwells within us and is our advocate.

All: We give thanks to our God, who calls us into unity in love without restraint and life in that same love. Amen.

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Becky Williams

Leader: Merciful Creator, we recognize that in our pursuit of safety, security and comfort, we are often unwilling to venture beyond our own needs and biases to remember how we must share your word, and how we must recognize and heed the pain of others. O Lord, we mean well.

All: Give us the strength and the insight to search our hearts and souls. Guide us to see ourselves as you would see us. Guide us to do that which you would have us do. Help us to hear the nudge and the call of your Holy Spirit. Lead us to be the church you have intended us to be. In your holy name we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE: Pastor
Friends, we are children of God, and not of those who live in the cover of night. We have obtained new life and salvation through Jesus Christ. In Christ, we are guided. In Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST: Pastor

Christ is the beacon of the world. Through the peace and love of Christ, we receive the love of God who is love. As followers of Christ, let us virtually greet one another now with this same peace and love of Christ, as we say together:

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

SHARING OUR JOYS, CONCERNS & PRAYER REQUESTS: Pastor

**SILENT/ COMMUNITY & PASTORAL PRAYERS:
THE LORD'S PRAYER**

SCRIPTURE: 2 Samuel 5:1-5; 9-10 Leader

Becky: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF RESPONSE: *No Higher Calling*

MESSAGE: "*For You Shall Be Shepherd of My People*" Pastor

OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY: UMH #95

CLOSING: *Days of Elijah*

SENDING FORTH: Pastor Jeff Holder
Go forth in this season of change, fixed fast in the strength of our Lord. Take the risk to venture into conversations where you have not gone before. Be the one who helps someone in need, whom others may have overlooked. Find the road less traveled, for there will your blessings be also. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself. Go in peace.



Serving you today:



<i>Liturgist:</i>	<i>Becky Williams</i>
<i>Pastor:</i>	<i>Jeff Holder</i>
<i>Doug Kolsters</i>	<i>Praise Team Director</i>
<i>Jim Austin:</i>	<i>PowerPoints/Praise Team</i>
<i>Ann Butler:</i>	<i>Praise Team</i>
<i>Glen Gorman:</i>	<i>Praise Team</i>
<i>Becky Officer</i>	<i>Alternate Praise Team</i>
<i>Judy Nikkel:</i>	<i>Bulletin Editing/Materials Printing</i>
<i>Judy Bradley:</i>	<i>Distribution</i>

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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“For You Shall Be Shepherd of My People”
Nov 15, 2020 - 24th Sunday After Pentecost
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