United Methodist Church of Vista
490 South Melrose Drive—Vista, CA 92081—Phone: (760) 726-0442

Bulletin

Our Mission:
"Building relationships of Justice, Faith and Hospitality to bring God's love to all people."

September 16, 2018
17th Sunday of Pentecost
9:00 a.m.

Thought for the day
"Sometimes when you sacrifice something precious, you're not really losing it. You're just passing it on to someone else." -Mitch Albom, The Five People You Meet in Heaven

*Gathering Songs
"Morning Has Broken"
"You Are Holy (Prince of Peace)"

*Welcome and Announcements
Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw
Beckie Henselmeier

*Invocation
Loving and caring God, we come this morning seeking wisdom and guidance for our lives. Open us to your words of life and love and truth. May we proclaim with our tongues what we know in our hearts. In this time of worship, help us more fully understand what it means to truly be a disciple, a follower of the way of Jesus, a follower of the path of wisdom. May the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.

*Song of Joy
"You Are My All in All"

Scripture
James 3:1-12 in the New Testament

Leader: For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God among us.
For the Word of God within us,
People: Praise be to God.

Time with Students
Following this, the children are escorted to a time of activity and learning. Please pick them up in their classrooms following the service.

Song Before Prayer
"Lord, I Need You"

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Community Prayer

God of Wisdom, broken bodies and somber spirits litter the streets. The words of your instruction are spoken, but we rarely pay heed or obey. You call us to claim Jesus, but we can't seem to get the right words out. We want so much to be a people who are faithful to your word and led by your guidance, but we are so easily distracted by the hurt and hate all around us. Forgive us when we are quick to speak and slow to understand. Forgive us when we do not hear your wisdom in all the ways you speak to us. Forgive us when we do not even try to truly understand what it means to be your disciples. Lead us back to the path of wisdom and life, that we may truly live. Amen.

Silent Prayer
Pastoral Prayer
The Lord's Prayer

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

Special Music

"What the World Needs Now" *(Burt Bacharach)*
Praise Band

Scripture

Mark 8:27-38 in the New Testament

Leader: For the Word of God in scripture,
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For the Word of God within us,
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Message

"The Discipline and Order of Faith "
Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Offering our Gifts

*Song of Blessing

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Offertory Prayer

God, we hear and we respond to your words of wisdom, your words of call and life. May these gifts, not only of our money, but of our very selves—our words, our thoughts, our actions—be acceptable to you, and help spread your words of life and love. Amen.

*Song of Sending

"I Have Decided"

*Benediction

Please remain in your pew while Pastor(s) recess to the greeting door.

*Postlude

Praise Band

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This Sunday…
*Liturgist: Ranae Mathias; Acolyte(s): TBA; Video Tech: Phil Biggs and Sound Tech: Suzanne McMurchie.
*Unless otherwise noted, scripture is from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.

Next Sunday…

Video Tech: Bob Graham
Sound Tech: John Mitchell
Liturgist: Margene Haase
Acolyte(s): Indiana and Kingsley

Praise Band features Greg Rye, Roy Good and Jimmy Patton.

Flowers are given by
John and Barbara Mitchell in honor of their
51st wedding anniversary (Sept. 17) and family birthdays.

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