



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF VISTA  
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*Worship Bulletin of the United Methodist Church of Vista*

**Live-stream for Worship at 10 a.m., go to: [livestream.umcvista.org](https://livestream.umcvista.org)**

**In-house and Live-stream Worship**

**August 27, 2023**

**10:00 a.m.**

**13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Gathering**

**Gathering Music**

Praise Band

**Pastoral Welcome** with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

**Opening Prayer** with Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister

When we gather in your name, we are changed. There is no way around it. We cannot come together in your presence and not be moved. So, today we surrender to your moving and to the ways you desire to change us. Let this hour together be sacred, and may your name be made great. You are holy, worthy and full of glory. We are humbled to be in your presence. Receive our worship as an offering of praise. It is all for you. Amen.

**Song of Welcome**

**Better is One Day**

Words and Music: Matt Redman

Praise Band

**\*Children's Time (and released to Sunday School)**

**Sharing the Word**

**Scripture** with Diane Biggs

[Matthew 16:13-26](#) (NRSV)

**Message**

**Who Do You Know?**

Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw



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**Song of the Word**

**Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness** FWS 2120, Vs. 1, 4  
Words and Music: James K. Manley  
Praise Band

**Pastoral Prayer with Lord's Prayer** with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

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.

**Response to the Word**

**Special Music**

**Wild Mountain Thyme**  
Words and Music: Traditional Irish/Scottish song  
Praise Band with Heather Clarke

**\*Call to Offering and Action** with John Giard

**Invitation and Dedication: Prayer**

Loving and generous God: As we offer our gifts this day, we confess that when confronted with Jesus' question, "Who do you say that I am?" our answer is ambivalent at best. Even when we get the words right, we know our lives give a different answer. We turn away from the suffering and oppression of your children. We accumulate wealth and prestige and ignore the poor and powerless. You give and hold nothing back, and we give from our excess and resent being asked to do more. Help us to respond with the answer that comes from the center of our being and that is demonstrated in our living. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

**Commissioned into the World**

**Song of Sending**

**A Mighty Fortress Is Our God** UMH 110  
Words and Music: Martin Luther  
Adam Ferrara, Organ

**Benediction** with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

**Postlude**

Adam Ferrara

**Pastors:** Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw, Associate Pastor of Music and Visitation, Rev. Frank Hallock and Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister



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**Praise Band:** Greg Rye, Roy Good, Jimmy Patton, Adam Ferrara, Alden Stoneman, Heather Clarke, Melissa Giard, Barbara Mitchell and Jan Simpson

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### **Announcements**

**Special Charge Conference today at 1:00 p.m.** regarding the building.

**Today, the Trustees Committee** will meet following the worship service in the conference room.

**An interpreter for the Deaf/and hard-of-hearing** will be here on **Sunday, September 3, at the 10 a.m. service.** We are striving to ensure that God’s Word is accessible to all. Please invite anyone you feel could benefit from this service.



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The **Call to Offering and Action** highlights our response to God's love through our action, service and financial support. Each week we pray for a community partner, special project and/or people who are making a difference in our community and world. The United Methodist Church and this local congregation live our faith through our giving in many ways. Your giving starts here and is multiplied by God. Thank you.

**Giving thanks for your Support and Contributions:** You are essential to all we do for Vista and beyond. Please consider making a financial contribution to the ongoing work of this faith community. Your monetary gifts can be dropped in the offering box, put through the secure mail slot near the office or use your credit card at the Scrip table. Thank you!

**Pennies for Heaven** - Help close our ministry gap in 2023. Bring your pennies and add to the decorated penny jar. Our Finance team thanks you for joining in the "fun" to raise our budget for ministry! Check with Sara Baldwin for more on having fun! **As of July 31, we have collected \$1,080! Thanks for your continued support!**

**The nursery is available to receive little ones.** The cry room is also available for parents to use. For more information or questions, see Margene Haase.

**Youth Happenings...** Youth Group today from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. See John Giard with any questions.



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