

**Calendar of Events**

**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost** **August 13, 2017**

<b>Sunday, August 13</b>	
Service of Worship - Sanctuary	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship - Baumann Fellowship Hall	11:00 a.m.
<b>Monday, August 14</b>	
SHARE Lunch Preparation - Salvation Army	
Paint and Palette - Fellowship Hall	10:00 a.m.
Nominating Committee - Parlor	7:00 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Blue Door Room	8:00 p.m.
<b>Tuesday, August 15</b>	
SHARE Lunch Preparation - Salvation Army	
Church Council - Parlor	7:15 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, August 16</b>	
SHARE Lunch Preparation - Salvation Army	
Summer Bible Study - Parlor	12:30 p.m.
Special Handbell Rehearsal - Loft	5:00 p.m.
<b>Thursday, August 17</b>	
SHARE Lunch Preparation - Salvation Army	
<b>Friday, August 18</b>	
Alcoholics Anonymous - Blue Door Room	8:00 p.m.
<b>Saturday, August 19</b>	
<b>Sunday, August 20</b>	
Service of Worship - Sanctuary	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship - Baumann Fellowship Hall	11:00 a.m.
<b>Monday, August 21</b>	
Paint & Palette - Fellowship Hall	10:00 a.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Blue Door Room	8:00 p.m.

**UNITED CHURCH** *Midland*  
**OF CHRIST**  
 an open and affirming church



**Interested in golfing?** Peg Stokes is arranging a golf outing on August 27 at 2:00 p.m. at Currie East Golf Course. Anyone wishing to join in the fun may check the sign up sheet on the bulletin board across from the church office for more information and sign up indicating your wish to join the group.

**Rev. Roger C. Pancost, Pastor**  
 August 13, 2017  
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## Order of Worship

### Gathering Hymns

*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

#403

*Jesus Call Us, o'er the Tumult*

#172

### Welcome to Worship

(Please sign the *Fellowship Pad* in the red folder at the end of the pew. Visitors, please give your address and phone number and sign our guest book located in the Narthex.)

### Announcements

#### Joys and Concerns

#### Greet Each Other with the Peace of God

**Prelude** Medley based on Hymn tunes arr. Stan Pethel

*We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise,  
Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee,  
Serve the Lord with Gladness*

### We Bring the Light of Christ into Our Midst

(Acolyte carries the Light to the Communion Table)

### Call to Worship

Seasons of the Spirit

L: We are the family of God;

**P: and like every family we come in all shapes and sizes.**

L: We are raucous uncles, annoying cousins,

**P: doting nannas and flamboyant aunts.**

L: We are happy toddlers, busy parents,

**P: argumentative siblings and football loving grandpas.**

L: We are quiet book lovers and

**P: mechanically minded menders of stuff.**

L: We are knitters and cooks,



Each year the United Church of Christ Midland, holds an outdoor service of worship on the Sunday of Labor Day Weekend. This year the service will be held on Sunday, September 3 at

10:00 a.m. in the courtyard between the sanctuary and the educational wing. The area is accessed by the doors in the stem hallway (the hallway between the sanctuary and the church offices). The service will include readings, special music and communion.

The special offering for August is the **Pastor's Emergency Assistance Fund**.

Through our pastor, your resources can minister to the immediate needs of our Midland neighbors.



If you would like to give to the Pastor's Emergency Assistance Fund, simply put a note on the memo line of your check and place it in the offering plate or drop off your check in the church office.

**Rally Day will be held Sunday September 10.** During worship, students in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will be presented with their own Bible, Sunday School teachers will be introduced, and we will begin our NEW Sunday School Curriculums – *Holy Moly!* and *Echo the Story*. The Board of Educational Ministries will host an ALL-CHURCH POT-LUCK PICNIC at Larkin Township Park at 12:00 noon. Drinks, tableware, and sub sandwiches will be provided - please bring a side dish or dessert to pass. A sign-up sheet is posted across from the office.



**Welcome Visitors!** Please join us in Fellowship Hall for refreshments after the service of worship. Church members are happy to greet you and answer any questions you may have. We hope you feel welcome here!

Refreshments provided by the Board of Educational Ministries. A cake is provided by Bob and Gwen Snyder who will celebrate their 58th wedding anniversary on August 15th.



**The Rainbow Door Room** is available for infants and toddlers. Families are invited to remain in worship with their babies, or are welcome to utilize the Rainbow Door Room space and listen to the service via the speaker system.

**After Children's Moments** a Summer One Room Sunday School for preschool through fifth graders will meet in the Red Door Room. After our lesson the children will play outside (weather permitting). Grown-ups will find kids at the outside doors by the church offices on the way to Fellowship Hall when worship is over.



**New Members**

The United Church of Christ, Midland will receive new members on Sunday, September 24, 2017 during the service of worship. Please speak with Reverend Pancost if you are interested in joining at this time.

**Coming up...Sunday, August 27** will be our church's annual Hawaiian Shirt Sunday. We invite you to wear a Hawaiian shirt, or other brightly colored clothing, to worship that day.



**P: golfers and gamers.**

L: We are poets and farmers,

**P: pianists and birders.**

L: We are freckled and knock-kneed;

**P: we are daredevils and dawdlers.**

L: Our lives are colorful and creative, and as diverse as wildflowers,

**P: and all belong here.**

\* **Hymn** *Come, Let Us Join with Faithful Souls* #383

(Asterisk indicates when you may stand. Please stand, as you are able, when the first notes of the hymn are played.)

\* **Unison Prayer** Seasons of the Spirit

**O God, how good it is when your grace finds embodiment in community. How very good it will be, O God, when we act with greater love and experience deeper unity than we have yet known. Lead us to where, and to whom, you would have us go. In Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

**Children's Moment** *A Coat of Many Colors* Rev. Pancost

**Musical Offering** Mozart/arr. North  
*Menuetto duet for two Saxophones*

**Scripture**  
Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 Pew Bible, page 32  
Matthew 14:22-33 Pew Bible, page 849

**Sermon** *God Is With Us* The Rev. Roger Pancost

\* **Hymn** *God of Change and Glory* #177

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer** ("Debts" and "Debtors")

**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 debts,  
as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory, for ever.  
Amen.**

**Offertory** *Sanctuary* John Thompson/Randy Scruggs  
arr. Stan Pethel

\* **Doxology** #780

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, you heavenly host;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\* **Prayer of Dedication**

\* **Hymn** *Savior, Again to Your Dear Name* #80

\* **Benediction**

**Postlude**

(Because the Postlude is an integral part of the service  
we invite you to remain seated in silence.)

**We Carry the Light of Christ into the World**

(Acolyte carries the Light from the Communion Table)

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Today's prelude, anthem and offertory have been shared with the congregation by Andrew and Kathryn Ault, Saxophonists. Thanks to Andrew and Kathryn for sharing with us your time and musical talents.

**Acolyte:** Malachi Vannette  
**Liturgist:** Michael O'Connell  
**Organist:** Edward Soehrlen  
**Director or Music:** James Hohmeyer  
**Director of Educational Ministries:** Jennifer Ringgold  
**Sound System Operator:** Al Harrow  
**Rainbow Door Room:** Jon Truitt  
**SAFE Church Volunteer:** Sarah Pancost



- It is important for everyone to use the **microphone** during Announcements and Joys and Concerns.
- This church is equipped with a **hearing assistance system**. Please ask an usher for a receiver.
- **Large print** bulletins and copies of today's hymns are available for your use. Please ask an usher for a copy.
- **Audio CD's** of the worship service and a CD player may be borrowed from the office.
- **The church website** is updated weekly and contains worship bulletins, sermons, calendars, newsletter and other offerings. Please visit [www.uccmidland.org](http://www.uccmidland.org)



**The September Newsletter deadline** will be Friday, August 18th. Please submit your items for publication.