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## United Methodist Church of Vista

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

### Bulletin

September 18, 2016

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am

#### **SILENT MEDITATION**

“To be a Christian means gradually, Sunday after Sunday, to be subsumed into another story, a different account of where we have come from and where we are going, a story that is called “gospel.” You are properly called a “Christian” when it’s obvious that the story told in Scripture is your story, above all other stories that the world tries to impose on you, and that the God who is rendered in Scripture is the God who has got you.” -William H. Willimon, *United Methodist Beliefs*

#### **GATHERING**

##### **PRELUDE**

-Carol Graham

##### **WELCOMING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

-Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw  
Rev. Frank Hallock

##### **INTROIT**

“*Spirit of God*”

-Chancel Choir

#### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy and confidence!

**People: For God has done wondrous things for us.**

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Fill us with the power of the rushing wind that we may faithfully serve you in all that we do.

**People: For Christ has called each of us and blessed us!**

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Be with us today.

**People: Help us to boldly proclaim Christ Risen. Amen.**

#### **PRAYER AND PRAISE**

##### **\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

“*Spirit of Faith, Come Down*”

-UMH 332

##### **SCRIPTURE LESSON** *Genesis 1:1-5 in the Old Testament*

-Lenore Averell

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.**

#### **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

##### **COMMUNITY PRAYER**

**O Great Spirit, whose breath gives life to the world, and whose voice is heard in the soft breeze: We need your strength and wisdom. Cause us to walk in beauty. Give us eyes ever to behold the red and purple sunset. Make us wise so that we may understand what you have taught us. Help us learn the lessons you have hidden in every leaf and rock. Make us always ready to come to you with clean hands and steady eyes, so when life fades, like the fading sunset, our spirits may come to you without shame. Amen.**



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**HYMN OF PREPARATION**      *“Spirit Song”*      -UMH 347

**SILENT PRAYER**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**LORD’S PRAYER**      -UMH 895

**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.**

**ANTHEM**      *“It’s All Over Me”* (Hairston)      -Chancel Choir  
Carol Pence, Soloist

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** *Mark 1:10-11 & Acts 2:1-4 in the New Testament*      -Lenore Averell

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.**

**THE MESSAGE**      -Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw  
*“We Believe: In the Work of the Holy Spirit”*

### **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**

**Offertory**      *“Come, Holy Spirit”* (Gottsche)      -Carol Graham

**\*Doxology**      *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”*      -UMH 94  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,  
whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**Lord, we got up this morning, ate our breakfast, got dressed, and came to church—all to give you praise and thanksgiving. May these gifts be a blessing for those who had no bed this morning from which to arise; for those who had no breakfast and are hungry this day; for those who have no new clothes; for those who long to worship you but cannot. Take these gifts and use them as you will, O God. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**



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### **GOING FORTH**

**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION**      *“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”*      -UMH 334

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**      *“Overture” (Marsh)*      -Carol Graham

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

*Please complete the registration card found in the pew pocket and place in the offering.  
Prayers and comments may be written on the back of the card.*



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Today: Video Tech: Philip Biggs; Sound Tech: John Mitchell; and Acolyte(s): TBA

*Flowers on the altar are given by John and Barbara Mitchell  
in honor of their 49<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary (Sept. 17) and family birthdays.*

*Rosebud on the altar is in celebration on the birth of Keegan Thomas born Sept. 13 to parents Jon & Hanna O'Malley. Congratulations to grandparents Shelly & Mike Burns, Aunt Nicole and great-grandparents Tom & Sue Humphrey.*