

# WESTWARD HO!



## OREGON TRAIL 2018 VERSION

### Mission Statement:

*God calls us to live our faith as disciples  
Sharing the love of God revealed through Christ  
In the community and the world.*

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Acolyte: *Thank You!*

Altar Flowers: *To a life cut short by cancer,  
our daughter, Heidi. D. & K. Gerstenberger*

Greeters: *Everyone present today!*

Ushers: *Thank You!*

PowerPoint: *Kathie Richards*

Liturgist: *Rich Shisler*

Fellowship: *Sandy Noonan & Kathie Richards*

Steeple Lighting: *Anonymous*

## *Pilgrim United Church of Christ* *A Caring Church for Thinking People*

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Sunday, July 1, 2018



***Be Brave, For There is Much to Dare!***  
Rev. Jenna Brown

**Pilgrim United Church of Christ**  
**A Caring Church for Thinking People**  
**Sunday, July 1, 2018 † Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

THE PRELUDE *All in the Morning Early, O!* Irish Air  
\*HYMN (Red Hymnal) *Be Thou My Vision* No. 391

**OPENING OURSELVES TO GOD**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 30)  
One: Come let us exalt the Lord for He lifts us up, out of depths.  
**All: We shall call upon the Lord for He brings healing.**  
One: Let us sing together to the Lord and praise His holy name.  
**All: We shall give God our thanks both now and ever more.**

\*THE INVOCATION, OUR LORD'S PRAYER (Unison) Rich Shisler  
**We give You our thanks and praise O Lord, for in You we find life and direction. We give You our thanks, for together with You, life has a meaning and purpose. Come O Lord, come into our lives not only for an hour or day, but come to stay and walk with us every step of the way. Hear us now as we pray together the prayer Your son taught us, "Our Father . . ." [debt, debtors]**

\*THE GLORIA PATRI (Red Hymnal) No. 513

**OPENING OURSELVES TO GOD AND EACH OTHER**

\*GREETING EACH OTHER IN CHRIST

OUR LIFE TOGETHER Kathie Richards  
CHILDREN'S FAITH FOCUS Nancy Anderson

THE APOSTLES' CREED Black Hymnal #882

SPECIAL MUSIC: *Dives and Lazarus* John Jacob Niles

**\*all who are able may stand**

**WE GIVE TO GOD**

AN OFFERTORY INVITATION

THE OFFERTORY *At the River* arranged by Charles Ives

\*THE DOXOLOGY (Red Hymnal) No. 515

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CALL TO PRAYER  
(Black Hymnal) *Sweet Hour of Prayer (vs. 1)* No. 505  
**Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer! That calls me from a world of care, and bids me at my Maker's throne let all my needs and wants be known. In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief, and oft escaped the tempter's snare by your return, sweet hour of prayer!**

THE MORNING PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE

\*HYMN (Black Hymnal) *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* No. 403

**GOD GIVES TO US**

SCRIPTURES 2 Samuel 1:1; 17 - 27 (page 255; 256) Rich Shisler  
Lamentations 3:22-33 (page 724)

SERMON *Be Brave, For There is Much to Dare!* Rev. Jenna Brown

**WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH SERVICE**

\*HYMN (Black Hymnal) *Come, O Fount of Every Blessing* No. 459

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *(We invite you to join hands as we sing)*  
*Spirit Song* by John Wimber  
**O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love. Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. O let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit like a dove will descend upon your life and make you whole.**

POSTLUDE *Turn Ye to Me* arranged by Helen Hopekirk

### SIGN-IN

There are worship pads on each pew in the sanctuary.  
We joyfully welcome all visitors! Please join us again!  
Please sign in to let us know you are worshipping with us today.  
We are so glad You are Worshiping with Pilgrim United Church of Christ!

### **Pray for:**

People to find their humanity, with all people being human beings first. Let us strive to be Christian.

A member with a new health issue added to her chronic conditions. Help her to cope and not give up.

Our son, a father trapped in addiction. Pray for a miracle.

The children separated from their parents at our border.

Felicia G. and her family. Her husband Rod of 70 years, a former moderator of Pilgrim UCC, was interred on June 18 at the VA Cemetery near Seville.

Daughter-in-law with cancer, lymphoma, a mother of young children. Pray for healing and comfort for the family.

Marsha, a dear friend for over 40 years, and her struggle with mental illness.

All who vacation this summer to find time to reconnect with their families.



### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Welcome Rev. Jenna Brown this morning!**  
**Please take a moment to greet her this morning.**

### **From the Treasurer & Trustees:**

While it is summer and most people take vacations, the church still requires the pledges and offerings of our members and friends to keep the church running like a well oiled machine. Please consider keeping up with your pledges and offerings over the short summer.

**Thank You!**

### **Picnic, Praise & Prayer**

**Join Marilyn** in the parking lot at Lions Park, 641 Silver Lake Ave., for the next Picnic, Praise & Prayer on July . We gather for lunch, bring a sack lunch or favorite fast food and bottled beverage and folding lawn chair. If someone just insists on bringing a dessert to share, we will not refuse it!

**Devotions & Prayer** will happen from 12:15 - 12:35 p.m. using the book, "Forty Days with the Holy Spirit: Fresh Air for Every Day," by Jack Levison.

**The next** scheduled meetings are July 11th & August 8th at the same time, unless participants want to gather a few more times. If it rains, we will meet the following day. **See you in the park!**



### CALENDAR

#### Sunday, July 1, 2018

10:30 a.m. Worship Service - Rev. Jenna Brown, Sanctuary  
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour - Sandy Noonan & Kathie Richards, Social Hall  
NO Stewardship Meeting

#### Monday, July 2, 2018

NO Absorbent Minds Montessori School Day Camp  
NO Diaconate Meeting

#### Tuesday, July 3, 2018

NO Absorbent Minds Montessori School Day Camp  
11:00 - 8:00 p.m. Western Reserve Suzuki School - Cello Lessons, Adult Library  
8:00 p.m. Fellowship of the Spirit Alcoholics Anonymous (FOTS AA), Heritage Room

#### Wednesday, July 4, 2018

NO Absorbent Minds Montessori School Day Camp  
Offices are Closed!

#### Thursday, July 5, 2018

NO Absorbent Minds Montessori School Day Camp  
7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Emotions Anonymous, Heritage Room

#### Friday, July 6, 2018

#### Saturday, July 7, 2018

8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous, Social Hall

#### Sunday, July 8, 2018

10:30 a.m. Worship Service - Rev. Barry Stirbens, Sanctuary  
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour - Team #3, Social Hall

#### Monday, July 9, 2018

NO Trustee Board meeting

### **Staff:**

Kirk Bruce, Pastor

### **Vacation:**

June 25 - July 20, 2018

### **Coverage:**

Contact Office

Marilyn Freeman, Faith Formation Director, will be with the Richfield UCC Mission Trip June 24 - July 1, 2018.