Altar flowers are presented by Sally Carr in loving memory of parents Cecil O. and Margaret Sprague.

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Mentor United Methodist Church
Order of Worship

October 14, 2018

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
The liturgical color is green, signifying life and growth in the Christian church.

GATHERING

Prelude
“Prelude and Fugue in C” J. S. Bach
Amy Bender, organist

Lighting of the Candles
Presentation of God’s Holy Word
Please sign and pass the attendance pad that you find at the end of each pew. If you are joining us for the first time today, please complete the blue sheet.

Choral Introit (9:00) “Jesus Loves Me”

Welcome & Announcements

* Call to Worship Bruce Becker, Liturgist
Leader: May your love and mercy be upon us today, O Lord.
People: Cleanse and refresh us from every transgression.
Leader: Let your joy and gladness dawn in our spirits, and the recreating power of your Spirit make us new.
People: Have mercy upon us O God, and let your Spirit lead us in truth and righteousness.
All: Amen.

* Prayer
* Opening Hymn 384  “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”  BEECHER

Anthem  9:00  “As a Little Child”  Joseph M. Martin
Children’s Choir

11:00  “God Is My Rock”  Allen Pote
Chancel Choir

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

Scripture Reading  Old Testament page 405  Psalm 51:1-12
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

“Good World”

Response to the Word

* Hymn 92(vs. 1-4)  “For the Beauty of the Earth”  DIX

Sharing Joys and Concerns

**Morning 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.

Presentation of Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory  9:00  “Sweet Are the Prayers of a Friend”  Pepper Choplin
Children’s Choir & Ruth Hobart

11:00  “Sweet are the Prayers of a Friend”  Pepper Choplin
Chancel Choir

* Doxology  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!

**THANKSGIVING**

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING FORTH

* Hymn 362  “Nothing But the Blood”  PLAINFIELD

* Choral Benediction
Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

* Postlude  “Psalm XIX”  B. Marcello

* Members of the congregation stand if able.