

**Edgerton UMC: Making Christ Known**  
**Sunday, October 2, 2016**                      **10:30am Worship**  
**(\* Please Stand as Able**                      **Bold Print All Say In Unison**

**WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**

*Nelson Mandela said, "Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world." And because the people of The United Methodist Church believe that all of God's children have been created and gifted to build the kingdom Jesus ushered in, we're resourcing them to do just that. Because of your giving on World Communion Sunday, the most powerful tool to change the world is in more hands.*

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*We begin with announcements of the ministry and mission of the church. Please sign and pass the black Welcome Pad located at the ends of the pews along the centermost aisle.*

**OFFERINGS OF PRAISE**

*We come to God's presence joyfully and humbly, preparing ourselves to receive God's word.*

**SPECIAL MUSIC**                      *Live Along with Me*                      Ed Hunt, Guitar

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Let us start this service well, by reminding ourselves:

That it is not we who chose Christ,

**P: but Christ who chose us,**

L: That we are not here because of our goodness

**P: but because of Christ's grace,**

L: That we are not here to enlighten ourselves,

**P: but to allow Christ to enlighten us,**

L: That we have not come to be entertained

**P: but to worship God with heart, soul, mind and strength.**

**PRAYER** Lord, throughout the world today, Christians are sharing in the sacrament of Holy Communion. We come together with a bountiful table set in the midst of struggle and strife. Help us to receive the elements of bread and wine for the nourishment of our souls and for the strengthening of our witness to your love for us. In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

**SONG**                                      *Got Good Religion*                                      SB 59

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN/ PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

**A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF Luke 17:5-10**

**Extend a Hand – Meditation for World Communion Sunday**  
*(See Insert)*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

*Confession is a spiritual discipline that leads us into a deeper relationship with the Holy. As we approach God in community in Confession, we open our hearts to the hearing of God's word.*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Jesus prayed that we might be one. One in spirit. One in mission In union and communion with each other and with You.**

**Today, God, we confess fumbling and failures in accomplishing unity, as we set aside yet another day to remind ourselves of the task. On this World Communion Sunday, give us eyes to recognize your reflection in the eyes of Christians everywhere. Give us a mind to accept and celebrate our differences. Give us a heart big enough to love your children everywhere. We thank you for setting a table with space enough for us all! Amen.**

**FORGIVENESS**

*L: From the beginning of all creation, God's word was love. That love has been lavished upon you, not because you did anything to earn it, but because it is God's great gift to you. Live in that love and bring peace to others. The peace of the Lord Jesus be with you all.*

**P: And also with you. Amen**

**SONG**                                      *By and By*                                      SB 33

**OFFERINGS OF WORSHIP**

*With confession and the acceptance of forgiveness we are better attuned to hear God's word.*

**A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF LUKE 10:25-37**

**MESSAGE**                      "It's About Loving Those Around You"

**OFFERINGS OF THANKSGIVING**

*Having received the Word, we affirm our trust in God*

**GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**

**Special Music** *Thy Holy Wings, O Savior, Swedish Folk Tune*

\*DOXOLOGY "Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow" UMH # 94

THE LORD'S TABLE – HOLY COMMUNION – (See Insert)

SONG *Plenty Good Room* SB 118

**BENEDICTION**

Loving and merciful One, we thank you for the community in which you have placed us, for the brothers and sisters with whom we walk this pilgrim journey. Form in us a new vision of community in which there is neither East nor West, neither South nor North, where ALL are invited in. We pray for the sake of your Kingdom that both is and is not yet. Amen.

POSTLUDE *Holy Manna*, William Moore, setting John Carter

*Please remain seated until the Postlude is completed.*

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*October 9<sup>th</sup>*  
*is United Methodist Women Sunday -*  
*Come celebrate*  
*the Women of our Congregation*

*Welcome to*  
*Edgerton United Methodist Church*  
*10:30AM Worship Service*  
*Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost*



*"World Communion Sunday"*  
*October 2, 2016*