

## today

- Flowers:** The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Marjorie Van Dusen in loving memory of her mother, Jane Van Dusen, and in gratitude for her generous love to family.
- Lay Reader:** Glenn Knight
- Acolytes:** Lucas Davis and Lexi Soucie
- Ushers:** Clayton Cutler, Matthew Jamieson, Chuck Kaczmarek, Glenn Knight, Omer Yalincak
- Greeters:** Side: Edna Forbes  
Tower: The Swan Family

### 10/14/2018 Worship Attendance:

8:00 – 16; 9:00 – 86; 10:30 – 132; Total = 234

Church School Attendance: 51

Total Attendance: 285

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**Our Pastor** – Gene Ott

**Music Director** – Bridget Scarlato

**Organist** – Kari Miller

**Contemporary Music Director** – Dorothy Cowles

**A Stephen Ministry Church**

(See back of announcements for a full staff listing)

## Worship

## Simsbury United Methodist Church

*“Being Bold  
and Speaking  
Clearly”*



*“Be bold and mighty forces  
will come to your aid.”*

*- Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe*

**10:30 a.m.  
Oct 21, 2018**



**October 21, 2018** – 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/  
Ordinary Time/Bible Sunday

**Worship Service** – 10:30 a.m.

### Welcome

**Prelude** | *Thy Word* by Amy Grant/Michael W. Smith, arr. Mark Hayes

### ◇Call to Worship

One: O how manifold are the works of God.

**All: The earth is full of God's glorious creation.**

One: We are a part of God's magnificent design.

**All: Let us bless and praise our great and good God.**

◇Opening Hymn | *God Hath Spoken by the Prophets* #108

◇Opening Prayer | (unison)

**God of mystery and majesty, you call all life into being. Call us to the places where we may best serve you. Call us to the service where we may follow you most closely. Amen.**

**Presentation of Children's Bibles** | please see insert

### A Time for Children

**First Lesson** | Psalm 104:1–9, 24, 35c

**Second Lesson** | Mark 10:35–45

**Message** | “*Being Bold and Speaking Clearly*” Pastor Gene Ott

◇Hymn of Response | *Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior* #351

### Pastoral Prayer

**The Lord's Prayer** | Blue hymnal #895

**Offertory Music** | *Come Build a Church* by Ken Medema | Chancel Choir

◇Presentation of Gifts/Doxology #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!***

### ◇Prayer of Dedication

**Let us give back with a thankful heart and a generous spirit. We cannot give to God; we can only give back from what we have received. Receive us God, and what we offer to you now. May it help to bring about your realm on Earth. Amen.**

◇Closing Hymn | *I Sing the Almighty Power of God* #152

### ◇Benediction

Friends, go with God. Do not worry about your status or your favor. Just go with God. Be assured that you are loved and highly favored. And may the grace of God, the love of Jesus and the friendship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, now and forevermore. Amen.

◇Benediction Response | *Go in Peace*

**Go in peace and the peace of God be with you this day. Go in peace and the peace of God be with you alway. Celebrate and share the joy, celebrate new life. Go in peace and the peace of God be with you alway.**

**Postlude** | *La Rejouissance* from “*Fireworks Music*” by George Frideric Handel,  
arr. Robert Gower

*You are invited to stay for the postlude*

◇ *please stand as you are able*