



**16th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**8:30am Worship**

*\*Indicates congregation stands and  
Bold type indicates to read in unison*

**PRELUDE** *Prelude on "Slane"--Young*

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHORAL INTROIT** *"Rejoice, Give Praise!"-- Dale Wood*

**\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

O Lord, you have examined my heart and know everything about me.

**You know when I sit down or stand up. You know my thoughts even when I'm far away.**

You see me when I travel and when I rest at home. You know everything I do.

**You know what I am going to say even before I say it, Lord.**

You go before me and follow me. You place your hand of blessing on my head.

**Unison: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too great for me to understand! Amen.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** UMH #103 *"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"*

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

**Dear Jesus we now turn to Thee,  
Salvation to obtain;**

**Our Hearts and Souls do meet again,  
To magnify thy Name.**

**Now Glory be to God on High,  
Salvation high and low;**

**And thus the Soul on Christ rely,  
To Heaven surely go.**

**Come Blessed Jesus, Heavenly Dove,  
Accept Repentance here;**

**Salvation give, with tender Love;  
Let us with Angels share.**

**Amen.**

**SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE AND OTHER GREETINGS**

The Peace of the Lord be with you

**And also with you**

**CHILDREN'S TIME** Rev. Sherry Scates

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Sharing of Joys, Gratitudes and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer ("trespasses")

**\*HYMN** UMH #102 *"Now Thank We All Our God"*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Isaiah 55:6-11 (OT page 685)  
Jeremiah 23:23-32 (OT page 726)

**CHORAL ANTHEM** *"Give Me Jesus"*-Traditional Spritual  
Arr. Larry Shackley

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** Acts 17:1-15 (NT page 137)  
John 5:39 (NT page 97)

**SERMON** *"Making Sense of the Bible"* Rev. Chris Walters

**WORSHIP IN TITHES AND OFFERING**

Offertory Chorale--Young

\*Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

**\*CLOSING HYMN** UMH #399 *"Take My Life, and Let it Be"*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION** *"Go Now In Peace"*-Dale Wood

**POSTLUDE** *Recessional on "St. Anne"*--Young

The "Opening Prayer" is selected verses from Jupiter Hammon's "An Evening Thought: Salvation by Christ, with Penitential Cries." Mr. Hammon (1711-1806) was the first African-American to publish in the United States.