

19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 4, 2026

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WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY



ONE BODY, ONE SPIRIT, ONE HOPE

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WESTMORELAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Reverend Janice Odom

October 4, 2026

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Sermon Theme: Although we come from different places, cultures, traditions, and experiences, Christ calls us together at one table. Holy Communion reminds us that the Church is larger than our congregation, our denomination, or our nation. We belong to the worldwide Body of Christ.

PRELUDE

DONNA DAVIS

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

PASTORAL WELCOME

REV. JANICE ODOM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DAN WOLFE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

DAN WOLFE

Leader: Come from the east and the west, from the north and the south.

People: We come as one people to the table of Christ.

Leader: We come from different places, different backgrounds, and different stories.

People: Yet in Christ, we are one body.

Leader: Around the world, sisters and brothers gather at Christ's table today.

People: There is room for us all.

Leader: Come, people of God. Let us worship the One who makes us one.

People: We come with gratitude, hope, and love. Let us worship God!

***HYMN**

"HERE I AM LORD"

UMH 593

PASSING OF THE PEACE AMONGST US

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

*OFFERING/DOXOLOGY		UMH 95
OFFERTORY PRAYER		UNISON
<p>Gracious God, you have gathered your children from every nation, every community, and every walk of life into one family. Receive these gifts as signs of our gratitude and our commitment to your work in the world.</p> <p>Use them to feed the hungry, encourage those who are struggling, prepare leaders for your Church and carry the good news of Jesus Christ beyond the walls of this congregation. As we share from what you have given us, teach us to remember that we belong to one another. In Jesus' name, Amen.</p>		
*HYMN	<i>"AMAZING GRACE"</i>	UMH 378
OLD TESTAMENT READING		<i>EXODUS 20:1-4, 7</i>
GOSPEL READING		<i>MATTHEW 21:33-46</i>
SERMON	<i>"ONE TABLE, ONE BODY"</i>	REV. JANICE ODOM
HOLY COMMUNION		UMH 12
*HYMN	<i>"BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS"</i>	UMH 557
LEADING OF THE LIGHT & BENEDICTION		
<p>Go from this place remembering that the table of Christ is larger than any one church, nation, race, or people. We are one body, called by one Lord, sustained by one grace and sent into one world. Go in peace to love God, love your neighbor and make the table wider. Amen.</p>		
POSTLUDE		DONNA DAVIS
<i>*Please stand only if you are able.</i>		
<u>UPCOMING ACTIVITIES</u>		
Sunday School	Each Sunday	10:00am
Exercise Class	Tuesdays & Thursdays	11:00am
Choir Practice	Tuesday, Oct. 6 <i>(choir will sing, Sunday, Oct. 11)</i>	5:00pm
Women's Circle	Tuesday, Oct 6	6:00pm

Prayer List

*If you have any additions or modifications to the prayer list,
please complete a prayer request card or call the church office.*

*For anyone placed on the prayer list, updates will be
requested during worship service*

**Mike Curry (Pastor Janice's
1st Cousin's Son)
Marcus Kirby (Age 3)
(Marty Bentley's Great Grandson)
Shirley Kizzee
(Brenda Carrico's sister)
Gary Maynard
(Donna Davis' brother)**

**Jimmy Morgan
(Judy Morgan's Son)
Pastor Janice & Tom
Jack Price
(Marilyn Lynch's Co-Worker)
Matt Thomas
(Laura Blake's niece's husband)
Gloria
(Geneva Tyson's niece)**

Please pray for those with long-term needs:

Jill & Jim Combs, Milton Clay, Judy Given, Jeff Hunt

Remember those not able to join us for church:

Joy Fetty, Patricia Morgan, Dan & Shirley Webster

Rev. Janice Odom

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(Office Hours: Wed. & Thurs. 2:30 – 5:30pm)

***Please give bulletin updates (preferably via text/email/note in office)
to Sheree Downey by Tuesday @ 2:30pm.***

Pianist:

Donna Davis

Liturgist:

Dan Wolfe

Acolyte:

Shaunda Rice

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BACKPACK MINISTRY

We are participating with Crosspoint Community Church with the “backpack” ministry serving 81 children. For October, we are requesting breakfast bars. Thank you!

OCTOBER OUTREACH

During October, we will be collecting personal hygiene items for students at Spring Valley High School. Thank you!

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Today we join Christians around the world at the Lord’s Table, remembering that although we worship in many languages, cultures, traditions, and places, we are one Body in Jesus Christ.

In The United Methodist Church, World Communion Sunday is also one of our denomination-wide Special Sundays. Gifts received through the special offering help provide scholarships, education, training, and leadership development for students and church leaders in the United States and around the world.

The United Methodist table is open. All who seek to live in peace with one another, who repent of their sin, and who desire to follow Jesus Christ are invited to receive Holy Communion.