

## ***Matawan United Methodist Church***

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**August 16, 2026**

**The Twelfth of Thirteen Weeks in Pentecost**

### **Gathering and Songs of Praise**

“I Believe in Jesus” - “10,000 Reasons”

“God Is On the Move”

**10:00 Welcome and Call to Worship (Projected)**

#### **Opening Hymn:**

“Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service”

UMH 581 vv. 1, 2, 3

#### **\*Opening Prayer (Also Projected)**

With one single voice and one single desire, we come to you, Lord. By faith we are present to your glory, to your love and to your kindness. By your grace feed our hearts with the gift to listen perfectly. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen

## **Prayer of Confession**

**\*Sharing the Peace: “The Family of God”**

### **Proclamation and Response**

**Responsive Reading:** Psalm 139 v. 1-18 UMH 854

Refrain: Your hand is ever upon me;

you lead me and hold me fast.

**Praise:** “There Is a Redeemer”

**Glory Be to the Father**

**The New Testament:** Romans 12:9-21

**The Sermon:** “Sacred Listening”

**Musical Interlude:** Collecting Prayer Request Cards

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Offertory:** “Forever”

**\*Doxology:** Offering Prayer

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord’s Prayer**

**\*Closing Hymn:** “Here I Am, Lord” UMH 593

**\*Response:** “Amen, Amen” UMH 898

**Thrift Store:** Tues. 6 pm-8 pm; Thur 10 am-2 pm; Sat 10 am-2pm

**Food Pantry** 2nd and 4th Tues 6:30 pm-7:30 pm; Thu 10 am-11:30