

**BETHESDA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**8:30 a.m. Sunday 23 August 2020**

**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

**ENTRANCE**

*(To help us connect, please sign the attendance pad in your pew)*

Lighting of candles and prelude

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

Prayer for illumination: 454 (*Verse 1 only*) "Open My Eyes,  
That I May See"

First lesson: Exodus 1:8-2:10

Psalter: 846 Psalm 124

Second lesson: Romans 12:1-8

Song: 163 "Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know"

Gospel lesson: Matthew 16:13-20

Sermon: "*Gifts*"

Joys, concerns, prayers

**THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION (All are welcome)**

**SENDING FORTH**

Song: 399 "Take My Life, and Let It Be"

Blessing

Postlude and extinguishing of candles/Going forth