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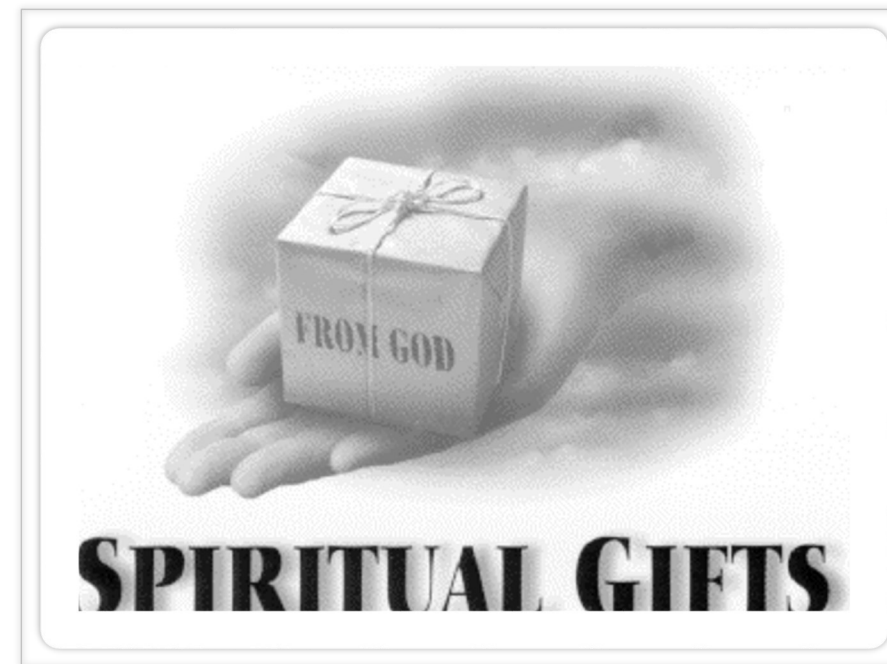
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*13th Sunday after Pentecost*

*'Opening Up and Discovering Our Gifts!'*

*Hammond First United Methodist Church  
6635 Hohman Avenue Hammond, IN 46324  
(219) 932-5915 www.hammondfumc.org  
Worship **8:30** and 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m.  
September 8, 2019  
Reverend Mary van Wijk, pastor  
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#### Invitation to Prayer

Prayer Hymn *Help Us Accept Each Other* UMH 560  
Morning and Pastoral Prayer

#### Receiving of the Gifts

Offertory  
\* Sung Response *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 95

\* Prayer of Dedication

### Reading of the Word

New Testament Reading

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**The Message** *'Opening Up and Discovering Our Gifts!'* Pastor Mary

\* **Closing Hymn** *The Gift of Love* UMH 408

\* **Benediction and Postlude**

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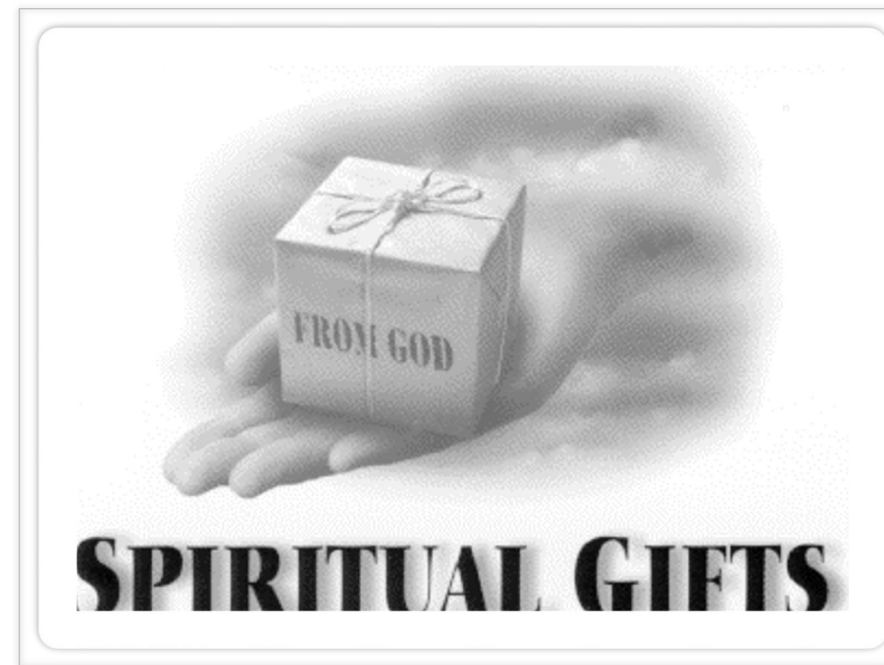
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**The Light of Christ Enters**

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**Children's Time**                      *'Packages, How Fun It Is to Open Them!'*                      Pastor Mary  
Following Children's Time, children ages 1st through 5th grade are invited to go to Junior Church and children (birth through kindergarten) are very welcome in the Nursery. *Terrific* activity bags are available at the Welcome Center.

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**Audio copies** of the worship service are made each week; inquire to the office if you would like to have a copy. There are large print hymnals and personal sound systems available. If you are interested, please ask an usher.

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