*** DOXOLOGY HYMN 606 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Following the Word into the World

*** SENDING HYMN 716 "God Whose Giving Knows No Ending"**

*** BENEDICTION and SENDING MUSIC**

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WORSHIP AND PREACHING PREVIEW:

- Next Sunday, November 22, is **Christ the King Sunday**, when we celebrate Jesus' reign over all nations and pray for the rule of God's justice, righteousness, and peace. The day's Scriptures are **Ezekiel 34:11–16** and **Matthew 25:31-46**.
- Next Sunday is also **Stewardship Sunday.** Please prayerfully consider your pledge of time, talent, and treasure to support this congregation's ministries and mission in 2027.
- And…stay after worship next week for the **Hanging of the Greens,** as we decorate the Sanctuary for the Advent and Christmas seasons, and then enjoy a lunch provided by our Deacons!



Sunday, November 15, 2026
10:00 AM

Rev. Mike Poteet, Pastor
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Welcome! Thank you for offering your name by wearing a nametag. Using the cards and envelopes in the pews, you may also offer current contact information, prayer requests (to be read in today's prayers, unless you indicate confidentiality), and financial offerings, or cards indicating offerings online or by mail. We thank God for bringing you to worship with us today!

* marks an invitation to please rise in body or spirit.

Parts in bold welcome your participation.

Gathering for the Word

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & LIFE IN THE CHURCH

PRELUDE "**Love Divine, All Loves Excelling,**" Larson
Handbells; Meg Glaubitz, piano

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** *(based on Psalm 67:2-3, 6-7)*
One: May God's way be known upon earth, and God's saving power among all nations!
All: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!
One: The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.
All: May God continue to bless us, and be revered to the ends of the earth.

Preparing for the Word

*** PREPARATION HYMN** "**10,000 Reasons,**" Redman Praise Band

CHILDREN'S TIME concluding with THE LORD'S PRAYER
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen. [*Children are invited to leave for Worship Our Way (WOW).*]

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Holy God, giver of all good things: We confess how often we fail to use your gifts to serve our neighbors, nurture the world, and give you glory. We hoard for ourselves what you intend us to share. We consume more of your abundance than we truly need. We withhold what could sustain those who suffer.
Silence for personal confession.
Have mercy upon us. Free us to live as less timid and more faithful stewards of your goodness, for the sake of your Son who gave himself for us, our Savior Jesus Christ.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(based on Romans 8:31-32, 39)*
One: If God is for us, who is against us? God did not withhold Christ Jesus, God's own Son, but gave him up for us all; will not God also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord.
One: Friends, believe the Good News!
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*** RESPONSIVE HYMN 582 "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"**
Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen. [3x]
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**
One: The peace of Jesus Christ be with all of you.
All: And also with you.

The Word

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS Deuteronomy 26:1-11, Matthew 25:14-30
One: This is the Word of the Lord!
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Responding to the Word

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS [*All are invited to use the pew cards to offer their prayers, name, talents, and gifts. The ushers will present the prayers for immediate use.]*

OFFERTORY "Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me," Farren/Robinson/Thompson
Praise Band