*** 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 362 "Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers"**

*** BENEDICTION and SENDING MUSIC**

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WORSHIP AND PREACHING PREVIEW:

What do the last parables Jesus tells in Matthew's Gospel tell us to expect about God's future reign, and how do they help us live more faithfully today?

- November 15 – **Matthew 25:14-30**
- November 22 *(Christ the King Sunday) (Stewardship Sunday)* – **Matthew 25:31-46**

...and please plan to stay for the Hanging of the Greens, and lunch provided by the Deacons!

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Sunday, November 8, 2026
10:00 AM

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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

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** *(based on Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7)*

One: Come, let us sing with joy to the Lord, and raise a shout to the rock of our salvation!

All: Let us enter God's presence with thanksgiving and make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

One: Come, let us bow down in worship, and kneel before the Lord, our Maker.

All: For the Lord is our God, and we are the people God shepherds, the sheep for whom God cares.

Preparing for the Word

*** PREPARATION HYMN 386 "Come, Worship God"**

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 and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our short-comings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

Silence for personal confession.

Have mercy on us, O God, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(based on 1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24)*

One: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. 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 Amos 5:18-24, Matthew 25:1-13

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