

- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -

*October 11, 2026 • 11:11am
20th Sunday after Pentecost*

GATHERING SONG

*Be Glorified
The Heart of Worship*

CALL TO WORSHIP USING THE PSALMS CENTERING IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD GATHERING THE CHILDREN

Pastor: From the Book of Psalms, "I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go into the house of the Lord.'" *(Psalm 122:1)*

Congregation: "In Your presence is the fullness of joy. At Your hands are pleasures forevermore." *(Psalm 16:11b)*

Pastor: Entering God's presence brings peace, because being close to God calms troubled hearts; strength, because worship gives us new energy for daily life; and community, because gathering with other believers creates shared encouragement and love. I invite you now to center and focus and prepare your hearts for worship.

(silence for reflection)

Pastor: From Psalm 16,

All: "My heart is glad and my whole being rejoices. You make known to me the path of life." *(Psalm 16:11a)*

Pastor: We gather to worship in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. ✚

Congregation: Amen.

PARISH NEWS

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:1-14 *pew Bible page 902*

¹ Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ² "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' ⁵ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' ¹⁰ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad, so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹² and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen."

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Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON SONG *Beautiful Things*

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

OFFERINGS FOR MISSION & MINISTRY

OFFERING SONG

OFFERING PRAYER

Father Bruce: Merciful God,

Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our
selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.
Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not
into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All people are welcome at The Lord's Table! You will receive a piece of bread and then, dip the bread into either the wine (chalice) or grape juice (clear glass). Gluten-free wafers are available from the servers, just ask. All ages are invited to commune. If you do not wish to commune, you are invited to come forward and receive a blessing. We believe communion is a way to experience the presence of Jesus.

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:
"The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you."
and each person may respond: **Amen.***

COMMUNION SONG

COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you
and keep you in His grace.

Congregation: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord will keep you from all evil. The Lord will keep your life. The Lord will keep your
going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore. ✠ (*Psalm 121:7–8*)

Congregation: Amen.

SENDING SONG *River of Life* (*Children are invited to the altar*)

DISMISSAL

Praise Band: Our mission?

Congregation: Love God. Love others. Serve.

Praise Band: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

ALTAR GUILD	Jen, Brad & Christian Berry
GREETER	Deanne Benorden
USHERS	Matt & Ethan Gray
COMMUNION MINISTERS	Amy Monteagudo, Teensy & Frank Weldon, Sarah Wright, Emily Wright
TECH BOOTH	Ian Britton, Dan Primka, Jen Berry

*The arrangements on the altar are given by **Peggy & Paul Jurkoic**
in **celebration of their wedding anniversary.***

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PRAYERS

(Prayers are refreshed at the beginning of each month)

MEMBERS: Aaron Benorden, Terry Biesboer, Gene Bird, Jan Bishop, Roger Brown, Kathryn Butcher-Kripas, Jaigne Christman, Nancy Cole, Mac Curtis, Nancy Dean, Nancy Dickinson, Michelle Dionne-Kadowaki & family, Dawn Ellis, Patsy Elmore, John Elmore, Karoline Frasch, Pat Gary, Doug Goins, Jonas Greenman, Anya Holbert, Deb & Doug Houck, Eric Johnson, Peggy Jurkoic, Peggy Lanning, Lin & Mike McKinley, Gary Mount, Jen Page, Harold Peters, Joe Pigott, Linda Pigott, Joe Poole, Dr. Ted Primka, Tricia Saylor & family, Pamela Spaar, Bill Steele, Ann Stewart, Randy Stewart, Pat Weaver, John Woods, Matt Wright.

FRIENDS & FAMILIES: Clyde Alcon, Brittany Apking & Baby Bea, App family, Dave Berry, Bill Birkholz, Jim Birkholz, Sheila Birkholz, Katie & Cora Carr, Noble Carper, Hilda Chapel, Nancy Crain, Michael Damico, Dennis family, Brandy & Brian Duke, Brody Elsworth, Favre family, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Kathi Fenske-Hong, Bryan Gansner, Cindy Gioe, Angel Gobel, Cheree Goff, Gutelius family, Hall family, Jeff Herbold, Joy Hymer, Brenda Johnson, Sarah Jurkoic & Vivek Chavila, Barb Korsmo, Loyacano family, Edna Moyes, Scott Nelson, Josh Nichols, George Owen, Chris Patrick, Rose & Steve Penney, Bob Pinchok, Sr., Bill Porter, Shannon Remington, Salles family, Lainey Savilisky, Marilyn Savilisky, Scaglione family, Richard Sena, Lynn Siegfried & family, Leora Stewart, Tara Sweeney Stopinski, Audra Tyler Moore, Frank Tyler, Janet Wengert, Brian Williams, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Sherry Wolfe, Zenher family, Adam, Hadley & Houston, Christina, David D., David F., Duskin, James, Jan & Frank, Janie, Jodi, Joleen, Kayla & family, Kevin & family, Mark, Matty, Touranne, *and those we name to You.*

COMFORT IN THE MIDST OF DEATH FOR THE FAMILIES AND FRIENDS OF: Gary Andrew Yonke, Jim Shea, Leon Cole.

SHEPHERD OF HOPE PANTRY FRIENDS: Chris, J.D., Connie, Leanna, Mikey, Jack, Charlie, Jackie, Patt, Sonya, Diane & her children, Tony, Reem & her husband, Siler, Cookie, Liz, Keytling's daughter *and those known to God.*

SALVATION ARMY RESIDENTS: Housing alternatives to be found for the men who must leave soon, and that needed funds will be restored. Carla, Jeanette, Sue, Jervice, Raquel, Deidra, Robyn, Vickie, John, Kevin, Randy, James, Bill, Brent, Steve, Mike, Brittany, Jason, Dominique, Darin, Stephen *and those known to God.*

PARTNERSHIPS: Bishop Yehiel Curry & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Kevin Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Seminarian Sam Sosebee; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; English Language Learning (ELL) Classes; Via de Cristo Ministry; Quiet Music Ministry; Bridge Refugee Services, Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Salvation Army Homeless Shelters; Street Hope; Alzheimer's Support Group; Cole Center Parkinson Band and Caregivers; Mercy Ships; Guatemala Lutheran Church & School; AL-ANON; Narcotics Anonymous.

PEACE & PROTECTION FOR ALL ARMED FORCES, ESPECIALLY: Jacob Cole, Anthony Hu, HM, Andrew McDonald, Alena Nawlrooki, Alex Primka, Chris Yonke, Mitchell Yount.

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WELCOME

We're glad you're here! Please fill-in a yellow worship card or scan the QR code so we can stay in touch!



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Mountain Challenge Rope Course**
 - 6th to 12th graders are invited to take part in the Low Ropes challenge course at Mountain Challenge at Maryville College on October 18. Please RSVP to Greg by October 11.
- **Trunk 'R Treat**
 - We are partnering with Farragut Presbyterian Church to host the 2026 Trunk 'R Treat on Sunday, October 25 at 4 p.m. The theme this year is Pirates.
- **All Saints Remembrance**
 - For this year's All Saint's services on November 1, please send names of loved ones who have passed in the past year to mary@faithloves.org.

WAYS TO GIVE



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As followers of Jesus, we rejoice in God's plan for a just, loving and peaceful world. We commit ourselves to making it a reality for all people everywhere. Just as all are welcome at the Lord's table during holy communion, all are welcome to this family of faith. People of all races, ages, social status, sexual orientations and gender identities are united here in our mission to love God, Love Others, Serve.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 11

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 10 a.m. English Language Learning Class
- 10:15 a.m. Fellowship, Sunday School
- 11:11 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service

Monday, October 12

- 12 p.m. Via de Cristo Reunion
- 6 p.m. Property Team Meeting

Tuesday, October 13

- 1:30 p.m. Bible Study Class
- 6:30 p.m. Spirituality Book Club
- 7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Wednesday, October 14

- 9 a.m. PEO Chapter AH Meeting
- 10:30 a.m. Pantry Leadership Meeting
- 3:30 p.m. Northshore Moms Food Sorting
- 4:15 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 5:30 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 15

- 6 p.m. Council Executive Committee
- 6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting
- 7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Friday, October 16

- 9:30 a.m. Cole Center Caregivers
- 7 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

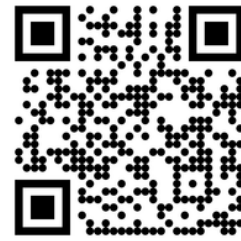
Saturday, October 17

- 10 a.m. Blessing of the Pets
- 11 a.m. Al-Anon
- Sons of Norway Program
- 6 p.m. English Language Learning Class

Sunday, October 18

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 10 a.m. English Language Learning Class
- 10:15 a.m. Fellowship, Sunday School
- 11:11 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service

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LECTIONARY READINGS

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

M: Deuteronomy 8:7-18, Psalm 65, Luke 17:11-19
2 Corinthians 9:6-15,

T: Amos 9:5-15, Philippians 3:13—4:1, Psalm 34

W: Song of Songs 7:10— 8:4, John 6:25-35,
Psalm 34

Th: Judges 17:1-6 3, John 9-12, Psalm 96:1-9

F: Deuteronomy 17:14-20, 1 Peter 5:1-5,
Psalm 96:1-9

S: Isaiah 14:3-11, Matthew 14:1-12, Psalm 96:1-9

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1 Thessalonians 1:1-10, Matthew 22:15-22

FAITHFUL RESPONSE

Offerings last week: \$4,705

Offerings year to date: \$695,419

SERMON NOTES

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