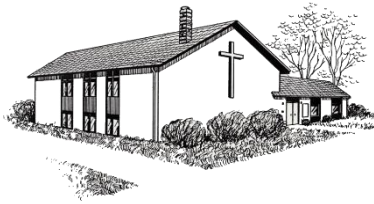


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Our Mission...

to be an accepting Christian community dedicated to living, sharing and teaching the Word of God.

We respect all aspects of people including race, ethnicity, gender expression, sexual orientation, socio-economic background, age, religion, mental wellness, and ability.

October 11th, 2026

Thanksgiving Sunday ~ Creation Time 5

Stewardship Campaign: "Grateful Living, Faithful Giving"

The asterisk invites all to stand, if they are able. **Bold print indicates a congregational response.*

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *(Music played with permission under license #A-620529 One License)*

~Joanne Diplock

GREETING

***CALL to WORSHIP** Based on Psalm 65. (From *Worship for All Ages*.)

Come, gather together, people of God.

We come to sing and shout God's praise.

The gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy!

The river of God is full of water.

The pastures of the wilderness overflow with richness.

The hills and the valleys are full of God's blessing.

Together they shout and sing for joy.

Together we shout and sing for joy!

*We will not forget the Lord our God,
and the earth that nourishes us.*

We will remember and give thanks!

***OPENING REFRAIN: #182 MV – "Grateful"** *(chorus only, sung 2X)*
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*(Tomaszek/Hart)
~Joanne Diplock*

**Grateful for the life you give us,
thankful for your Holy Son,
joyful in your Spirit flowing
over all, O God of Love.**

**Grateful for the Bread of Heaven,
thankful for your Holy Word,
joyful in your mercy flowing,
we will praise you.**

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION to the SERVICE

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT of the LAND

We acknowledge that we meet on Treaty 1 land, the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe, Anisininew, Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and the homeland of the Red River Metis. We also acknowledge that the water we use here comes from the Shoal Lake 40 First Nation. We are grateful for these first inhabitants and their stewardship of the land and its resources through the ages, and we commit to working together towards justice, truth and reconciliation.

LIGHTING of the CHRIST CANDLE ~lit by Gay Todd

(Written by Scott Martin, with inspiration from *Godly Play*, from *Gathering Pentecost 2 2021*.)

*There once was a wonderful man
who did wonderful things
and they said, "He is the light of the world."*

In his light, the light of Christ, we gather.

LIGHTING of the PEACE CANDLE

*We also light a second candle, this one for peace,
and as we do, we pray for peace:*

**peace in our hearts,
peace in our homes,
peace in our world.**

As we follow in the ways of Jesus, the Prince of Peace,

O God, we pray for peace. Amen.

SHARING the PEACE of CHRIST

Peace be with you.

And also with you.

OPENING PRAYER (Written by Richard Bott, from *Gathering Pentecost 2 2016*. Used with permission.)

*From our hearts, with our hands,
through our voices, in our love,*

we thank you, God!

For every sunrise and every sunset,

for every smile and every tear,

for every moment that has passed,

and for every moment yet to come,

we thank you, God!

**May our thanksgiving fill the world
with gratitude and joy.**

Amen!

***OPENING HYMN: VU #226 – "For the Beauty of the Earth"**

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(Pierpoint/Evans)

~Joanne Diplock

- 1 For the beauty of the earth,
for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,
God of all, to you we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.**
- 2 For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon, and stars of light, R**
- 3 For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild, R**
- 4 For each perfect gift sublime
to our race so freely given,
graces human and divine,
flowers of earth and buds of heaven, R**

CONVERSATION TIME

SUNG REFRAIN: VU #249 – "Rejoice in the Lord Always" *(sung 2X)*

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(traditional)

~Joanne Diplock

**Rejoice in the Lord always
and again I say rejoice! *(clap, clap)***
**Rejoice in the Lord always
and again I say rejoice! *(clap, clap)***
Rejoice, rejoice, and again I say rejoice! *(clap, clap)*
Rejoice, rejoice, and again I say rejoice! *(clap, clap)*

*~Children, Youth & their leaders are invited to head downstairs
for Kid Konnection (Sunday School) and Youth Group~*

WE LISTEN FOR AND REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: *read by Diane McDonald*

Deuteronomy 8: 7-18

*For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams,
with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat
and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and
honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing,*

a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you. Take care that you do not forget the LORD your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

Luke 17: 11-19

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

Response to Scripture:

Let us hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM: "Giving Thanks"

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~Joanne Diplock

REFLECTION: "Returning Thanks"

~Rev. Susan Reed

WE RESPOND TO GOD IN PRAYER AND ACTION

INTRO to STEWARDSHIP FOCUS: #191 MV – "What Can I Do?" (sung 1X) (Rumbolt)

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~Joanne Diplock

What can I do? What can I bring?

What can I say? What can I sing?

I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.

I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

INTRODUCTION to the STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

~Clayton Gording, Chair of the Committee of Stewards

LIFE and WORK of the CONGREGATION

INVITATION to the OFFERING (Written by Jim McKean; from *Gathering Pentecost 2* 2019.)

THE PRESENTATION of our TITHES and OFFERINGS

Offertory Music as the offerings are collected

~Joanne Diplock

*Offertory Verse: VU#540 **"Grant Us, God, the Grace"**

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(anonymous)

~Joanne Diplock

**Grant us, God, the grace of giving,
with a spirit large and free,
that ourselves and all our living
we may offer faithfully.**

*Offertory Prayer (Adapted from Richard Bott; from *Gathering Pentecost 2* 2021.)

**For what we receive, make us truly thankful, God.
For what we give, make us thankful too.
Grateful for all that we are, and for all that we might become,
may we commit to living thankful, thanks-filled lives!
In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE

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,
the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

WE ARE SENT INTO GOD'S WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN: VU #236 – **"Now Thank We All Our God"**

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(Rinckart/Pasquier)

~Joanne Diplock

**1 Now thank we all our God, with heart,
and hands, and voices,
who wondrous things has done,**

**in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.**

**2 O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us,
and keep us strong in grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ill in this world and the next.**

**3 All praise and thanks to God
for all that has been given,
the Son, and Spirit blest
who dwell in highest heaven,
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.**

***COMMISSIONING**

(Written by Robin Wardlaw; from *Gathering Pentecost 2 2021*.)

**With heart and hands and voices,
we thank God for wondrous things.
May we go from here so filled with the love of God
that all the world feels the welcome of it.
For the blessing and the love and the peace of God goes with us,
now and evermore. Amen.**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

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(Price/Besig)
~Joanne Diplock

**May the Lord go with you,
let him take your hand.
Keep His love within you,
until we meet again. Amen.**

POSTLUDE: VU #353 – "Tis the Gift to be Simple"

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(Shaker song)
~Joanne Diplock