

October 25, 2026
 Time after Pentecost
 The Reverend Jenny Anderson

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

**All who are able, standing*

ENTRANCE

GATHERING

After the gathering, a bell will ring to signal the beginning of worship.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Prière

Craig Phillips

* HYMN

154 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Coronation

**All hail the power of Jesus' name!
 Let angels prostrate fall;
 bring forth the royal diadem,
 and crown him Lord of all.
 Bring forth the royal diadem,
 and crown him Lord of all.**

**Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
 ye ransomed from the fall,
 hail him who saves you by his grace,
 and crown him Lord of all.
 Hail him who saves you by his grace,
 and crown him Lord of all.**

**Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
 the wormwood and the gall,
 go spread your trophies at his feet,
 and crown him Lord of all.
 Go spread your trophies at his feet,
 and crown him Lord of all.**

Let every kindred, every tribe
 on this terrestrial ball,
 to him all majesty ascribe,
 and crown him Lord of all.
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 and crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God,
 who from his altar call;
 extol the Stem of Jesse's Rod,
 and crown him Lord of all.
 Extol the Stem of Jesse's Rod,
 and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng
 we at his feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song,
 and crown him Lord of all.
 We'll join the everlasting song,
 and crown him Lord of all.

* GREETING

This is the day the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

* OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God,
 your Son has shown us how to love one another.
 May our love for you
 overflow into joyous service
 and be a healing witness to our neighbors
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

* THE PEACE

* ACT OF PRAISE

70 Glory Be to the Father

Meineke

**Glory be to the Father
 and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
 as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ever shall be,
 world without end.
 Amen. Amen.**

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read
and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Old Testament p. 239

* HYMN

117 O God, Our Help in Ages Past

St. Anne

O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home.

Under the shadow of thy throne
still may we dwell secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone,
and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received her frame,
from everlasting thou art God,
to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight
are like an evening gone,
short as the watch that ends the night
before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever rolling stream,
bears all who breathe away;
they fly, forgotten, as a dream
dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guide while life shall last,
and our eternal home!

PSALM

Psalm 1

response 1

UMH p. 738

***Sung Response: Walk in the light of God's counsel;
delight in the law of the Lord.***

Blessed are those

Who do not walk in the counsel of the wicked;

or stand in the way of sinners,

or sit in the seat of scoffers;

but their delight is in the law of the Lord,

and on God's law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees

planted by streams of water

that yield their fruit in season,

and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

Sung Response

The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff which the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment;

nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,

but the way of the wicked will perish.

Sung Response

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

* GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 22:34-46

New Testament p. 30

SERMON

Loving God and Neighbor

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

UHM p. 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth;
 And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, dead, and buried;
 the third day he rose from the dead;
 he ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
 from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

CONCERNS AND PRAYERS

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. Amen.

THE OFFERING

MUSIC AT THE OFFERING

Wayfaring Stranger

Southern American Folksong, arr. Richard Walters

* DOXOLOGY

95 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Old 100th

**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.**

SENDING FORTH

* HYMN

408 The Gift of Love

Gift of Love

**Though I may speak with bravest fire,
and have the gift to all inspire,
and have not love, my words are vain,
as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.**

**Though I may give all I possess,
and striving so my love profess,
but not be giv'n by love within,
the profit soon turns strangely thin.**

**Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
by this we worship and are freed.**

* DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

* POSTLUDE

Prelude on "O sons and daughters"

Healey Willan

Ministry of Worship

Preacher	Reverend Jenny Anderson
Liturgist	David Johnston
Lay Reader	Alison Wright
Greeters	Paula Matson, Sherry Howard
Ushers	Chip Matson, Warren Spooner
Acolyte	Annabelle Quattlebaum
Crucifer	Emily Scraper
Organist and Director of Music	Chris Leysath
Guest Organist	Dan Hardin
Piano	Larry Millen
Choir	The St. John Choir
Soloists	Lizzie Lee
Worship Technicians	Donald Tilton, Adam Kuehl

Where is the choir?

This weekend, our choir is enjoying their annual retreat. They are in the North Carolina mountains for rehearsals, fellowship, recreation, and worship with Chris Leysath, our new music director. Chris and the choir will return to St. John worship next Sunday as we observe All Saints. Thank you for granting the choir this day away.

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Weekly Stewardship	
2026 Budget	\$631,305
Weekly Giving	\$7,658
YTD Giving	\$350,039
YTD Other Income	\$109,408
YTD Expenses	\$496,758
Attendance 10/18	Sanctuary: 115 Online: 47