November 22, 2026
Thanksgiving Sunday
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

Prelude on The King of Love My Shepherd Is — Brian Mathias

* HYMN

139 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty — Lobe den Herren

1 all 2 all 3 men 4 women 5 all

All **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!**
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
join me in glad adoration!

All **Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigning**
bears thee on eagle's wings, e'er in his keeping maintaining.
God's care enfolds all, whose true good he upholds.
Hast thou not known his sustaining?

Men **Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;**
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
who with his love doth befriend thee.

Women **Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee,**
fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee.
Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed,
spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

All **Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!**
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
gladly forever adore him.

* GREETING

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon the earth.
Let all the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth its increase;
may God, our own God, bless us.
Let all the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

* OPENING PRAYER

O God,
in your Son Jesus Christ
you richly bless us with all that we need,
bread from the earth and the bread of heaven,
which gives life to the world.
Grant us one thing more:
grateful hearts to sing your praise,
in this world and the world to come. **Amen.**

* THE PEACE

"One of the gifts of being in the church is that we don't walk this journey of faith alone.
We are surrounded by people who share in God's love and grace.
Let us take a moment to greet one another and share signs of Christ's peace.

The peace of Christ be with you."

And also with you.

Please greet your neighbor with signs of 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 8:7-18 *Old Testament* p. 206

PSALM

Psalm 65 *UMH* p. 789

Sung Response: Now thank we all our God
with heart and hands and voices.

Praise is due to you,
O God, in Zion;
and to you shall vows be performed.
To you who hear prayer
all flesh shall come because of their sins.
When our transgressions prevail over us,
you forgive them.
Blessed are those whom you choose and bring near,
to dwell in your courts!
We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house,
your holy temple!

Sung Response

By dread deeds you answer us with deliverance,
O God of our salvation,
who is the hope of all the ends of the earth,
and of the farthest seas;
who by your strength established the mountains,
being girded with might;

who stills the roaring of the seas,
the roaring of their waves,
the tumult of the peoples;
so that those who dwell at earth's farthest bounds
are afraid at your signs;
you make the morning and the
evening resound with joy.

Sung Response

You visit the earth and water it,
you greatly enrich it;
the river of God is full of water;
you provide its grain,
for so you have prepared it.
You water its furrows abundantly,
settling its ridges,
softening it with showers,
and blessing its growth.
You crown the year with your bounty;
the tracks of your chariot drip with fatness.
The pastures of the wilderness drip,
the hills gird themselves with joy,
the meadows clothe themselves with flocks,
the valleys deck themselves with grain,
they shout and sing together for joy.

Sung Response

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

* GOSPEL LESSON
Luke 17:11-19 *New Testament* p. 98

SERMON
Go On Your Way

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada UMH p. 883

We are not alone, we live in God's world
We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
To proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

* HYMN

138 The King of Love, My Shepherd Is St. Columba

Verses 1, 2, 5, and 6

1 The King of love my shepherd is,
whose goodness faileth never.
I nothing lack if I am his,
and he is mine forever.

2 Where streams of living water flow,
my ransomed soul he leadeth;
and where the verdant pastures grow,
with food celestial feedeth.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
thy unction grace bestoweth;
and oh, what transport of delight
from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days,
thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
within thy house forever.

BAPTISM

Brothers and sisters in Christ:
Through the Sacrament of Baptism
we are initiated into Christ's holy Church.
We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation
and given new birth through water and the Spirit.
All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

I present Heather Daugherty for baptism.

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you:
Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness,
reject the evil powers of this world,
and repent of your sin? ***I do.***

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you
to resist evil, injustice, and oppression
in whatever forms they present themselves? ***I do.***

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior,
put your whole trust in his grace,
and promise to serve him as your Lord,
in union with the Church which Christ has opened
to people of all ages, nations, and races? ***I do.***

According to the grace given to you,
will you remain a faithful member of Christ's holy Church
and serve as Christ's representatives in the world? ***I will.***

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Eternal Father:
When nothing existed but chaos,
you swept across the dark waters
and brought forth light.
In the days of Noah
you saved those on the ark through water.
After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow.
When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt,
you led them to freedom through the sea.
Their children you brought through the Jordan
to the land which you promised.
Sing to the Lord, all the earth.
Tell of God's mercy each day.

In the fullness of time you sent Jesus,
nurtured in the water of a womb.
He was baptized by John and anointed by your Spirit.
He called his disciples
to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection
and to make disciples of all nations.
Declare his works to the nations,
his glory among all the people.

Pour out your Holy Spirit,
to bless this gift of water and she who receives it,
to wash away her sin
and clothe her in righteousness
throughout her life,
that, dying and being raised with Christ,
she may share in his final victory.
All praise to you, Eternal Father,
through your Son Jesus Christ,
who with you and the Holy Spirit
lives and reigns for ever. Amen.

Heather, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit,
you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

Members of the household of God,
I commend Heather to your love and care.
Do all in your power to increase her faith,
confirm her hope, and perfect her in love.

We give thanks for all that God has already given you
and we welcome you in Christian love.
As members together with you
in the body of Christ
and in this congregation
of The United Methodist Church,
we renew our covenant
to faithfully participate
in the ministries of the Church
by our prayers, our presence,
our gifts, our service, and our witness,
that in everything God may be glorified
through Jesus Christ.

The God of all grace,
who has called us to eternal glory in Christ,
establish you and strengthen you
that you may live in grace and peace.

THE OFFERING

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERING

For the Beauty of the Earth — arr. Eric Nelson

* 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

157 Jesus Shall Reign — Duke Street

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
does its successive journeys run;
his kingdom spread from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To Jesus endless prayer be made,
and endless praises crown his head;
his name like sweet perfume shall rise
with every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue
dwell on his love with sweetest song;
and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns;
all prisoners leap and loose their chains;
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring
honors peculiar to our King;
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud amen!

* DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

* POSTLUDE

Epilogue on "Dix" — Craig Phillips

Ministry of Worship

Preacher	Reverend Jenny Anderson
Liturgist	Stephanie Quattlebaum
Lay Reader	Lee Herndon
Greeters	Joan Piercy, Alexandra Anderson
Ushers	Millie and Jeff Huff
Acolyte	Robert Thomas
Crucifer	Micah Quattlebaum
Organist and Director of Music	Christopher Leysath
Choir	The St. John Choir
Cantor	Jordan Spooner
Worship Technicians	Donald Tilton, Adam Kuehl
Offering Counter	Nesbit Dasher

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