

25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 15, 2026 10:00 am

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*please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.
Liturgist for today's worship is Sue Bentley .

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

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

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP* *(from Psalm 143)*

To you I lift up my eyes, O God, enthroned in the heavens.
Our eyes look to you, O Lord; have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us, O Lord,
for we have had too much of contempt.
Our eyes look to you, O Lord; have mercy on us.

HYMN* *"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"* 716

PRAYER OF PRAISE*

CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

Almighty God, you have shown us the ways of justice and nurtured us with love. Even so, we have not lived according to your will. When we are oppressed or unjustly accused, we cling to fear and forget to trust in your deliverance. When we are giddy with power and abuse the rights of others, we hold tight to our privilege and forget your laws. Have mercy on us, Lord, for we are weak and prone to disobedience. Hear our prayer, and respond to us with kindness, that we might turn to you again, walk in the light, and live in equity and peace.

[silence]

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy. Kyrie Eleison. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE*

RESPONSE TO PARDON 582

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.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be. Amen.

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

GOSPEL– Matthew 25:14-30 Sue Bentley

OFFERING OF MUSIC Adult Choir
"Lord, Tune Our Hearts"

OLD TESTAMENT – Judges 4:1-9a, and selected verses

SERMON *"The Women Deliverers"* Linda Dickerson

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE *(from "A Declaration of Faith")*

We testify that God is faithful. Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. The Lord still brings from oppressed and uprooted peoples riches of insight and daring visions that can judge and bless the world. We can have confidence in God's coming kingdom even in the darkest times.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our 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.

HYMN* *"Now Thank We All Our God"* 643

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

CHORAL RESPONSE, 59* *Congregation and Choir*

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
God's mercies never come to an end.
They are new every morning, new every morning;
great is your faithfulness, O Lord,
great is your faithfulness.

FELLOWSHIP TIME - All are welcome!

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES