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October 11, 2026
20th Sunday after Pentecost
Pastor Appreciation Sunday

Welcome

Announcements

Please take a quiet moment to prepare your heart for worship.

Prelude

Prayer of Preparation (*for your personal use, during Prelude)*

Heavenly Father, you have prepared a magnificent table, filled with your finest blessings, and you have graciously extended the invitation to me. Forgive me for the times I have offered excuses and thank you for your relentless grace. When the invited guests turned away, you opened your doors wide to the broken, the hurting, and the forgotten. Thank you for including me in that invitation and clothe me in the wedding garment of righteousness, humility, and love. Teach me to live a life that honors the grace I have received. Amen.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

***Call to Worship – From Psalm 23**

L: The Lord is my shepherd; I have all that I need.

P: He lets me rest in green meadows; he leads me beside peaceful streams.

L: He renews my strength. He guides me along right paths, bringing honor to His Name.

P: Even when I walk through the darkest valley, I will not be afraid, for you are close beside me. Your rod and your staff protect and comfort me.

L: You prepare a feast for me in the presence of my enemies. You honor me by anointing my head with oil. My cup overflows with blessings.

P: Surely your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me all the days of my life, and I will live in the house of the Lord forever.

Hymn** ***"Grace Alone" **SF #2162**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Lord God, we want to be a Church that is strong, and we want to be a Church within a community of churches that is strong. Help us Lord endure. The prophet Isaiah tells us that you will bless us as a body of believers when we partner with you as a tower and refuge to the poor, and to the needy in distress. We want to be a part of what you are doing to provide hope to the hopeless and thus silencing the boastful songs of the ruthless. Give us focus and courage Lord. Amen.

(Time of silence for personal reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

The Peace

L: Peace be with you.

P: And also with you.

Gloria Patri** ***"Glory Be to the Father" **PH #579**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Reading Matthew 22:1-14

New Testament/Sermon Reading Philippians 4:1-9

Sermon *"Staying True to The Lord"* Pastor Ryan

Hymn** ***"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" **SF #2171**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Affirmation of Faith – Apostles' Creed**

(This is found inside the back cover of the Red Hymnal Book)

Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer

L: God of Mercy,

P: hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory	*"Make Us One"*	Jesus Culture (video)
***Doxology**		**PH #591**
Prayer of Thanksgiving		

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***Hymn**	**"*The Servant Song*"**	**SF #2222**

***Charge and Blessing**

Postlude

Please be seated for the Postlude.

Worship Leader:	Pastor Ryan
Greeter/Usher:	Jan Costello
Liturgist:	Brianne Satorius
Pianist:	Julia Territo

****Please stand, if able*** CCLI License #2716138

Hymnals: PH-blue hard cover; Red-red hard cover; SF-small blue soft cover

Call to Confession, Prayer of Confession, Assurance of Pardon, Prayer of Illumination, and Offering Prayer written by Pastor Ryan. Silent prayer and cover picture AI generated.