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Proclaiming a **Hope**

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Launching a **Healing**

The Lord's Day, November 15, 2026

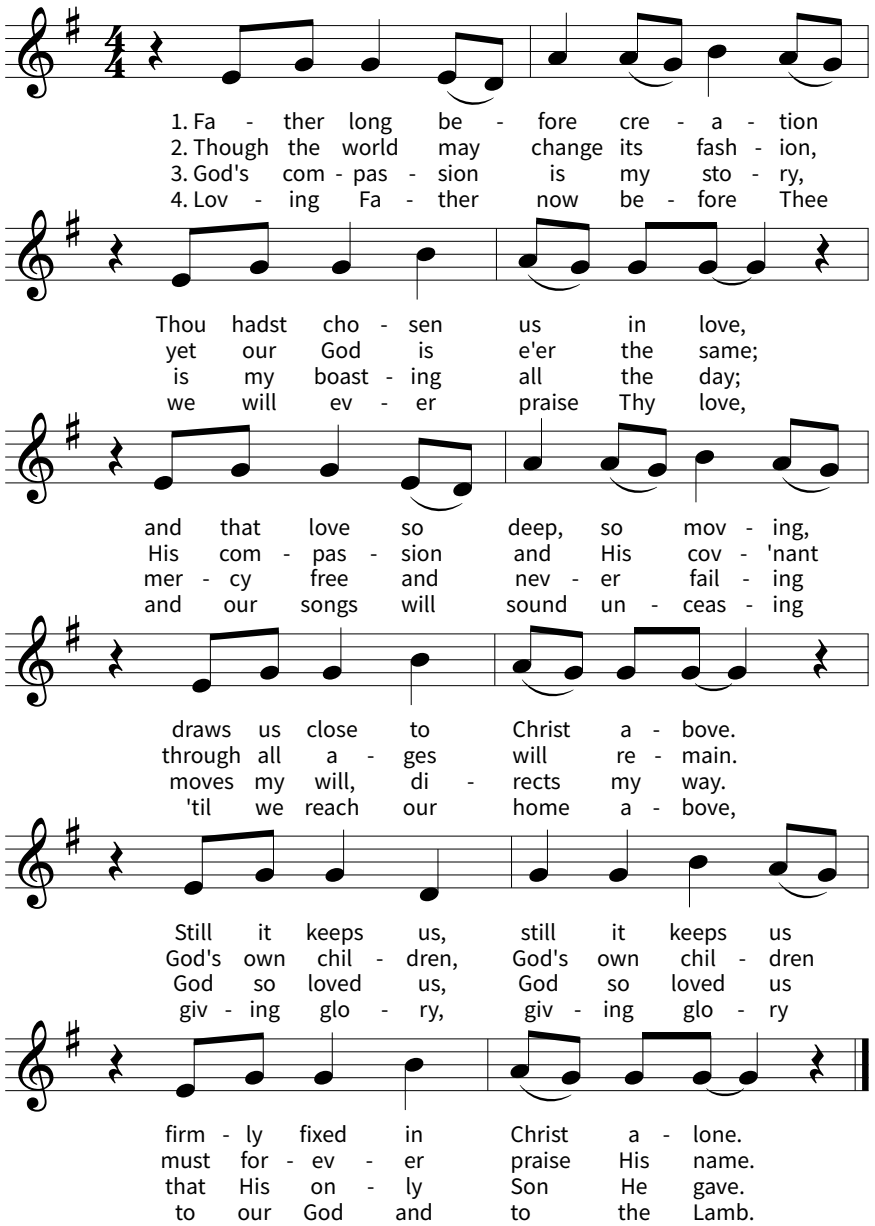
ORDER OF WORSHIP

A Service of Word, Prayer and Sacrament of Baptism

November 15, 2026 | 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

***Father, Long Before Creation**

Music: Andrew Osenga; Lyrics: Chinese Hymn, trans. by Francis Jones, 1953



Welcome & Announcements Brian Sorgenfrei

***Call to Worship[1]** Psalm 119:18-20, 24-32

Elder: Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law. I am a sojourner on the earth; hide not your commandments from me!

People: My soul is consumed with longing for your rules at all times… Your testimonies are my delight; they are my counselors.

Elder: My soul clings to the dust; give me life according to your word! When I told of my ways, you answered me; teach me your statutes!

**Please stand, if able.*

[1]*We believe that God always initiates with sinners, so we begin worship with His invitation and command to us to gather in His name.*

People: Make me understand the way of your precepts, and I will meditate on your wondrous works. My soul melts away for sorrow; strengthen me according to your word!

Elder: Put false ways far from me and graciously teach me your law! I have chosen the way of faithfulness; I set your rules before me.

All: I cling to your testimonies, O LORD; let me not be put to shame! I will run in the way of your commandments when you enlarge my heart!

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise Hymn No. 38

Music: ST. DENIO, Traditional Welsh melody; Lyrics: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

***Affirmation of Faith** The Heidelberg Catechism #86

Elder: Church, we have been delivered from our misery by God's grace alone through Christ and not because we have earned it: why then must we still do good?

All: To be sure, Christ has redeemed us by his blood. But we do good because Christ by his Spirit is also renewing us to be like himself, so that in all our living we may show that we are thankful to God for all he has done for us, and so that he may be praised through us.

And we do good so that we may be assured of our faith by its fruits, and so that by our godly living our neighbors may be won over to Christ.

Call to Confession John 15:4-6

4Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. 5I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. 6If anyone does not abide in me, he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.

Silent Confession

Confession of Sin

All: God of love, it is your will that we should love you with heart, soul, mind, strength, and our neighbor as ourselves, but we are not sufficient for these things. We confess that our affections continually turn away from you: from purity to lust, from freedom to slavery, from compassion to indifference, from fullness to emptiness. Have mercy on us. Order our lives by your holy Word, and make your commandments the joy of our hearts. Conform us to the image of your loving Son, Jesus, that we may shine before the world to your glory. Amen.

***Assurance of Forgiveness** John 15:3, 8-11

3Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you…
8By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. 9As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. 10If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. 11These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

**The Wedding Feast*

Music & Lyrics: Joe Deegan



**Please stand, if able.*

Reception of New Members

8:30 a.m. service

Ernest Addo, Garett & Karlie Black (Lowry, Anderson and Willa Mae), Vince & Neal Ann Chamblee (Paxton), Dave Geoffrion, Kelley Martin (Ricki), Paul & Olivia Radigan (Goodwin and John Berry), Mark & Sallie Kate Ray, Reese Sams

10:45 a.m. service

Kevin & Leigh Bourn, Carol Clinton, Sam Graves, Heather Outlaw, Graham Sorgenfrei, Caleb & Ali Warren (Walker), Thomas Werne, Jayla Wilson

Covenant Baptism

8:30 a.m. service

Neal Ann Chamblee,
Paxton Parker Chamblee
(*Covenant Child of Vince & Neal Ann*)

10:45 a.m. service

Heather Outlaw,
Walker Bridges Warren
(*Covenant Child of Caleb & Ali*)

The Blessing

Music & Lyrics: Michael Card



Offertory Prayer Deacon Earl Stubblefield

Offertory **"Thy Word – Psalm 119"**

Music & Lyrics: Amy Grant and Michael W. Smith, arr. Ellie Holcomb

Visitors, please fill out a visitor card located in the chair backs in front of you and drop it in the offering plate.

***Children's Church dismissal during the service for four- & five-year-olds may be dropped off & picked up at the sanctuary door to the left of the piano to attend Children's Church.*

***Children's Church is provided to help families make the transition from nursery to the worship service. Volunteers will take them upstairs for a time of singing, praying, playing and listening to a Bible story. Please note that Children's Church is optional for families and we also fully support keeping your child in the service as well!*

Pastoral Prayer Elder Johnny Barrett

Members of the Week:
Buddy McRae; Shelby and Lauren
Walker & Helen Milam

Missionaries of the Week:
Tony & Tracy Boyd: Southeast Asia
Suzy Triplett: Southeast Asia

Teacher of the Week:
3 Year Olds: Eden & Gray Flora, Emily Lipscomb & Ellen Ossorio

Christ Pres Leadership & Staff:
Wayne & Sara Irby

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Scripture Reading **James 1:19-27** Page 1011

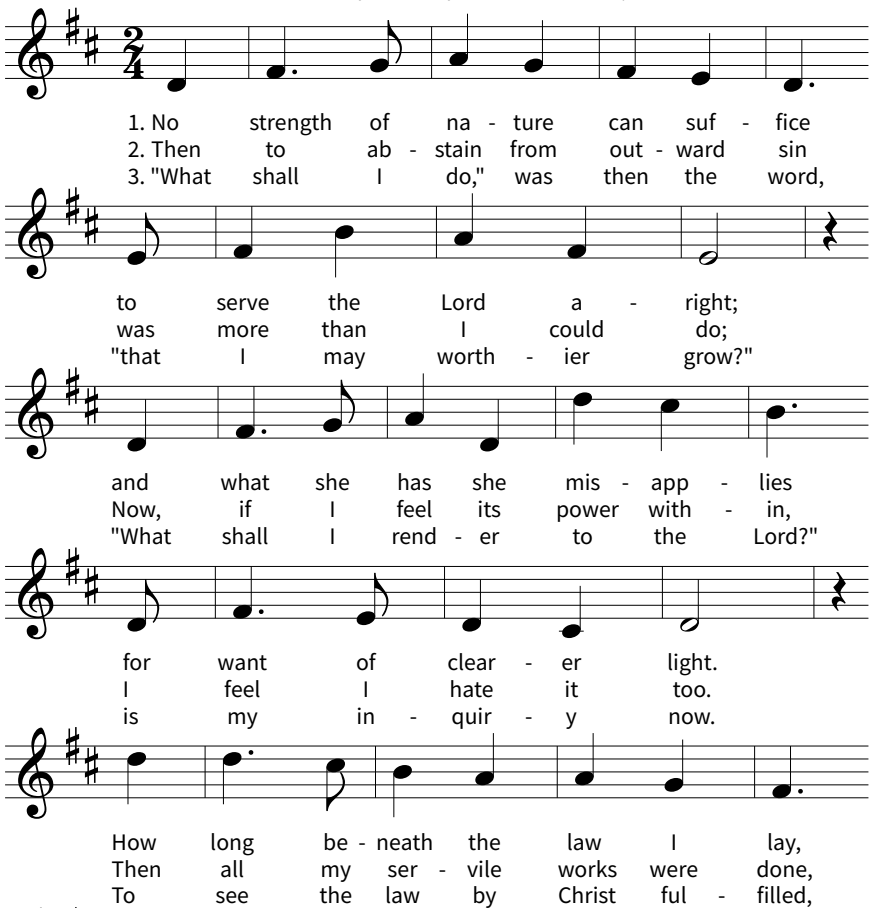
Elder: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon **"Be Doers of the Word"** Les Newsom
Steadfast: Enduring Faith for Weary People

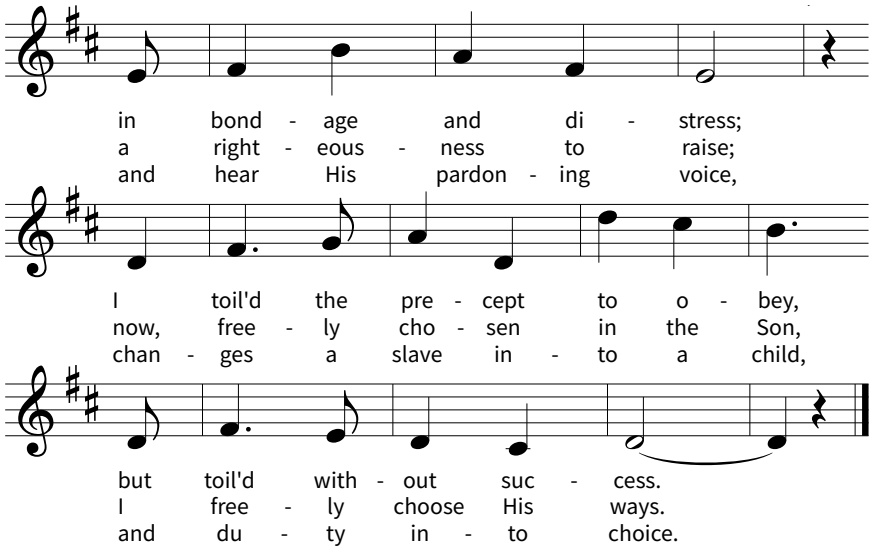
Children's Church pickup by the sanctuary door to the left of the piano after sermon.

Love Constraining to Obedience

Music: J. Caudill, arr. W. Wymond; Lyrics: William Cowper, 1731-1800



Please stand, if able.



***Benediction[2]**

Sermon Notes **"Be Doers of the Word"** James 1:19-27

1. Unmask Self Deception

2. Receive the Word

3. Be Transformed by Doing

Musicians & AVL Team
Denease Bishop, vocals; Randall Bryant, keyboard & vocals; Noel Childress, guitar; Amanda Fliflet, percussion; Chris Floyd, lights & projections; Allison Lavender, violin; Slade Lewis, bass; Gabriel Miña-Reyes, cello; Andy Paney, piano; Jonathan Watts, mandolin

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[2] *Just as God has the first word in worship, He also has the last word. For those who are in Christ Jesus, these are always words of blessing. We look up and extend our hands out in a posture of receiving the blessing of God.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Shoebox Collection week is here! Drop your shoebox off between November 15th & 22nd. We have just a few shoeboxes left in our lobby. Each box includes a shipping label and packing instructions to help you fill it with gifts for a child in need around the world while sharing the love of Jesus. Please note that candy, toothpaste and soap are not allowed. Most importantly, remember to pray for the child who will receive your box! Questions? Text Sue Castens at (662) 816-1283.



We are having a special night of **Mahjong Monday for RUF & Christ Pres women**! Join us for Mahjong Monday on **November 16th at 7pm** in our lobby.
Whether you're a seasoned player or just curious to learn, this is a perfect opportunity to connect with other women and enjoy the timeless game of Mahjong. Bring supplies if you have them, or just bring yourself! Please register ahead of time using the QR code to help us prepare properly.



Join our Women's Ministry in supporting Operation Life Vision (OLV) this Thanksgiving! **You can contribute by donating $25 toward a ham, bringing a frozen pie, or making a $10 donation toward a pie. Please bring frozen pies on Sunday, November 22nd.** OLV will pick up all donated hams and pies later that week. **Sign up using the QR code to let us know how you'd like to contribute.**

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