



November 23, 2025 – Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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| Prelude | Organ Sonata No. 4, II. Andante | Mendelssohn |
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## Welcome and Announcements

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| *Gathering Hymn | "Morning Has Broken" | UMH #145 |
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\*Call to Worship

Leader: Arise, people of God, for the light of the Lord is upon us.

**People:** We lift our eyes, for God's glory is breaking into our midst.

Leader: Though darkness covers the earth, God calls us to shine with hope.

**People:** We are the light of the world, set apart to illuminate His love.

Leader: God is shaping a future through the faith we offer today.

**People:** So, let our lives shine before all people, that God may be praised. Amen.

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\*Opening Prayer

**Holy and Gracious God, You are the One who calls light out of darkness and hope out of ordinary days. Shine Your light upon us now, that we may see the path You set before us and walk it with courage, joy, and faith. As we gather in Your presence, renew our minds, steady our hearts, and kindle within us a brightness that reflects the love of Christ. Make us lamps in Your hands, shining for the weary, welcoming the wandering, and illuminating Your goodness in our community. Let this time of worship strengthen us to live as Your people in the world: grateful, generous, and radiant with hope. In the name of Jesus, the Light of the World, we pray. Amen.**

\*Affirmation of Faith UMH #881

Old Testament Reading      Isaiah 60:1-7      Pew Bible pg. 690

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| Special Music | “God Is Love”<br>Alexa Farah, Soloist | Mindy Jostyn |
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Gospel Reading                      Matthew 5:13-16                      Pew Bible pg. 4

Sermon Series      **A Legacy in Motion, Part 3**      Pastor Rodney Brailsford  
"Radiate"

## Pastoral Prayer

## The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

**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.**

\*Hymn                      “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”                      UMH #206

## Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

\*Response Doxology, UMH #95

**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**

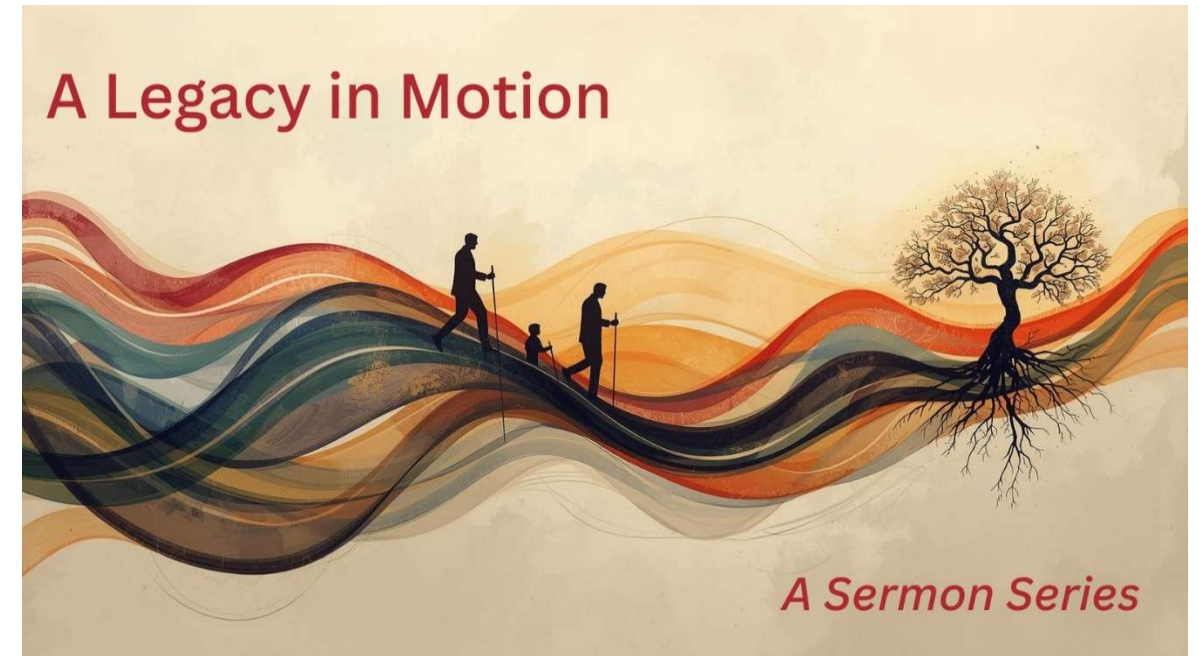
\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Closing Hymn                      "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"                      UMH #664

\*Dismissal and Blessing

Postlude                      Organ Sonata No. 4, IV. Allegro                      Mendelssohn

\*Please Stand if able



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