



October 18, 2026 – Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Rooted in Faith. Growing in Christ. Serving with Love.

Choral Introit “We Are One in the Spirit” P. Scholtes

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Hymn “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” UMH #158

*Call to Worship

Leader: We gather to worship God, who is with us in every season of life.

People: We come as we are, bringing our joys, our questions, and our concerns.

Leader: Through times of celebration and times of uncertainty, God remains faithful.

People: We trust in God's love, even when the road ahead is unclear.

Leader: Come, let us open our hearts to the One who knows us and calls us by name.

People: We come to listen, to pray, and to praise the living God.
Amen.

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*Opening Prayer

Gracious God, we thank You for the gift of this day and the opportunity to gather in worship. We come with different experiences, hopes, and concerns, trusting that Your presence is with us in every season of life. Though we cannot always see the road ahead, Your love and faithfulness

remain constant. As we worship today, open our hearts to Your Word and help us recognize Your presence in our lives. Guide us in Your truth, and give us the wisdom and courage to follow wherever You lead. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith UMH #881

Old Testament Reading 2 Kings 5:1–15 Pew Bible pg. 336

Choral Anthem “Come, My Light” A. K. Organ

*Gospel Reading Luke 4:24–30 Pew Bible pg. 61

Message “I Thought It Would Happen Differently” Pastor R. Brailsford

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 of Response “Open My Eyes, That I May See” UMH #454

*Passing of the Peace

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**

*Offertory Prayer

*Closing Hymn

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

UMH #577
(verses 1, 3, & 4)

*Dismissal and Blessing

Postlude

*Please Stand if able



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