

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 20, 2026
GATHERING

Prelude E.Grieg
“Romanza” (from Violin Sonata)

Greetings & Announcements

CALL TO WORSHIP

Choral Call to Worship Choir

***Words of Worship**
It’s a whale of a tale, this story of God and God’s people.
We’ve come to hear
A story that is constantly unfolding
We’ve come to learn
A story of awesome and abiding love
We’ve come to understand
A story told for centuries
We’ve come to go out and tell it on the mountain
Let us worship.

***Hymn** see insert
“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

***Pass the Peace**
[Greet one another in Jesus’ name.]

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children’s Message Amy Stark

GIVING

Offertory Prayer Pastor Cheryl

Offertory J.Burkett
“Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”

***Doxology** UMH 95

***Hymn** UMH 526
“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

Anthem Choir
“Hear My Prayer” by Moses Hogan

Scripture Carolyn Trezevant
Jonah 2:1-2, 10

Message Pastor Cheryl

W.H.A.L.E. PRAYERS

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Choral Call to Prayer Choir

Reconciliation and Assurance

Prayers of the People
One: Lord in your mercy,
All:hear our prayer.

The Lord’s Prayer

***Hymn** UMH 496
“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

*** SENDING INTO THE WORLD**

***Sending Forth** Pastor Cheryl

***Choral Benediction** Choir

***Postlude** J.S.Bach
“Fantasie” in C Major

*** Stand if you are able**
CHURCH MEMBERSHIP
*How do you become a member of the church?
Let the pastor know by phone call, text, or email.
You may also come forward during the last hymn during worship*



Scan this QR code and complete the required information to submit your attendance with us today.

Mission of the Month

The September Mission is CISD Family Services. All dollar bills dropped into the collection plates, or checks with “CISD” in the memo line, will benefit this mission. Or you can scan here to give online.



Upcoming Activities

Sept. 23 (Wed.)

Men's Breakfast (Omega's) 8AM

Country Home Estates Service 2PM

Children's Choir 4-5:30PM

Youth 5:30PM

Choir Practice 6:30PM

Sept. 24 (Thur.)

Prayer Shawl Crafting 9:30AM

Sept. 27 (Sun.)

Friendship Class 9:30AM

Ad Council 12:00PM



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Julia, Mac and Maggie
Robinson in loving
memory of Chester
Robinson, beloved
husband and father**



- Our Country and its Leaders
- Family of Alfredo Muniz
- Nancy Ogden
- Bobbie Sue Floyd
- Betty Martin
- Mary Lou Heatherly
- Velma Durham, Sister of Al Stapleton
- Pete Smith
- David Curry, Son-in-law of Dale and Sue Massey
- Chris Wilcoxon, Son-in-law of Dale & Sue Massey
- Carter McLeroy (received a heart transplant)
Grandson of Julie and Bob McLeroy
- Priscilla McFarland
- Marcia & Donald Hakala
- Becca Rowe
- Bill Heitholt
- Robert Seay

Worship Leaders

Rev. Cheryl Murray

John Burkett, Organist

Kristin Wood Choir Director

Dennis Anderson, Sound Tech

Claire Floyd, Video Tech

Carolyn Trezevant, Reader

Amy Stark, Children's Moment



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**September 20, 2026
11:00 a.m. Sanctuary**