



ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 17, 2024

GATHERING

Prelude J. S. Bach

“Prelude and Fugue” in G Major

Gathering & Announcements

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Enter the Light of Christ Acolytes

Choral Call to Worship Choir

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent”

*Hymn UMH 723

“Shall We Gather at the River”

*Words of Worship

*[You are invited to read the bold text]

Leader: Children of God, when wars and rumors of wars circle all around, Jesus says:

People: Do not be alarmed. This is not the end.

Leader: When earthquakes, hurricanes, fires, famines, and floods produce chaos and destruction Jesus says:

People: Do not be alarmed. This is not the end.

Leader: When misinformation and disinformation try to dismantle relationships of trust in our families, churches, cities, and nation, Jesus says:

People: Do not be alarmed. This is not the end.

Leader: Children of God, whatever leaves you feeling unsteady, insecure, scared, and confused today—do not be alarmed. This is not the end.

People: We come to worship God who inscribes our ending, our beginning, and everything in-between in Love. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Hymn UMH 714

“I Know Whom I Have Believed”

*Passing the Peace

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children’s Time Pastor Cheryl

[Children are invited to Sunday School.]

The Word in Music Choir

“Glory to You”

Scripture Carolyn Trezevant

Mark 13:1-8

Message

Rev. Cheryl Murray

Don’t Be Alarmed!

RESPONSE TO THE WORD:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Call to Prayer Choir

“O Lord, Hear my Prayer”

Response: Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

The Lord’s Prayer

GIVING

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory “Adoration” D. Buxtehude

*Doxology UMH 95

*Hymn UMH 706

“Soon and Very Soon”

SENDING INTO THE WORLD

*Sending Forth Pastor Cheryl

And the people said, “**Amen!**”

*Choral Benediction Choir

“Threefold Amen”

* Postlude “Canzona” G. Frescobaldi

Mission of the Month

The November Mission of the Month is the Thanksgiving Meal. All dollar bills dropped into the collection plates, or checks with “Thanksgiving Meal” in the memo line, will benefit this mission. Scan the QR code to give online and select the Mission of the Month.



Upcoming Activities

- November 17 -Friendsgiving Potluck in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us!
-Meagan Jones' recital at 4:30
- November 19 -Men's Breakfast at Texas Cafe at 8:00
- November 20 -Country Home Estates Service at 2:00
-WOW! Dinner at **5:45**
-Advent Study begins for youth and adults at 6:00
-Adult Choir Practice at 7:00
- November 21 -Prayer Shawl Crafting at 9:30

Ministers	All Members of the Congregation
Pastor	Rev. Cheryl Murray
Office & Communications	Tricia Dempsey
Financial Secretary	Mariann Andrews
Children's Director	Ashlyn Woods
Youth Director	Jamie Bourcy
Little Ark Director	Jennifer Knight
Choir Director	Meagan Jones
Organist	Dr. John Burkett
Custodians	Sandra & Fernanda Medrano

Giving Statements are on the table in the Gathering Area. Please help us save postage by picking yours up today. Thanks!



Thank you all for your support of the Fall Festival for Missions! We earned over \$2,000 for missions and charitable organizations in Commerce and beyond! We could not have done it without your help! - Serve team

prayer

- Our world, country and leaders
- All affected by the war in the Middle East
 - Rev. Sam Caldwell (hip replacement)
 - Family of Bobby Greenwood
 - Family of Paul Beaty (TAMUC choral)
 - Manolo Leos, cousin of Debbie and Ruth Warren
 - Orvis Reynolds
 - Judy Rudoff
 - Diane Garcia
 - Bill Heitholt
 - Lisa McGuyer
 - Nancy Roberts, Mike Roberts' mother
 - Danny Duncan
 - Mike Smith
 - Charles Webster
 - Betty Martin
 - Anna Blohm
 - Wyman Williams
 - Rose Stapleton
 - Carlos Rickman
 - Jack Kelly, Jill Grove's father
 - Jack Gray
 - Richard Young
 - Glenda Helton
 - Rev. Dennis Wilkinson
 - Manuel Harrison
 - Georgia Gholston
 - Melanie & Judy Cortea
 - Brenda Mosley Longhoffer
 - Robert Seay
 - Rita Thompson



Twenty Sixth Sunday after
Pentecost

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10:00 am. Sanctuary