

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
**August 24, 2025**

**Prelude** F. Peeters  
"Aria"

**Greetings & Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

*(Leader and People)*

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*L: Children of God, are you listening? Have you noticed? God has planted seeds of hope among us.*

**P: We have heard of this hope!**

*L: Are you listening? Have you noticed? God nurtures hope among us, helping us bear the fruit of faithfulness in this world.*

**P: We seek this hope as we learn to live in faith.**

*L: Are you listening? Have you noticed? The hope of God's good news forms you to love one another with the love of Christ.*

**P: We cling to this hope as we grow in love of God, self, neighbor, and all creation.**

*L: Children of God, come! Come, let us worship God who graciously offers us the gift of hope.*

**P: Come, let us worship God who empowers us to put our hope into faithful and loving actions.**

**\*Hymn** UMH 368

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

**\* Pass the Peace**

**\*Hymn** UMH 369  
"Blessed Assurance"

**Scripture** Carolyn Trezevant

**Colossians 1:1-14**

**Anthem** Choir  
"Here I Am Lord"

**Message** Pastor Cheryl  
***Heard of This Hope***

Writing Prompt: Dear Children of God Week 1  
*Where do you encounter hope in this church community?*

**Call to Prayer** UMH 393  
"Spirit of the Living God"

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Offertory** E.MacDowell  
"Legend"

**\*Doxology** UMH 95

**\*Hymn** UMH 334  
"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

**\*Sending Forth** Pastor Cheryl

**\* Postlude** G.P.Telemann  
"Trumpet Tune"

**Mission of the Month**

The August Mission is The Wesley Campus Ministry. All dollar bills dropped into the collection plates, or checks with "The Wesley" in the memo line, will benefit this mission. Or you can scan



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## Worship Leaders

*Pastor Cheryl Murray  
John Burkett, Organist  
Dennis Anderson, Sound Tech  
Claire Floyd, Video Tech  
Carolyn Trezevant, Reader*



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## Upcoming Activities

- Aug. 25 (Mon.) Finance Committee at 6  
Aug. 27(Wed.) Country Home Estate Service at 2  
Choir Practice at 6:00  
Aug. 28(Thur.) Prayer Shawl Crafting at 9:30  
Little Ark Meet & Mingle 5:30-6:30  
Aug. 29(Fri.) Little Ark Teacher Work Day

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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
Organist	Dr. John Burkett
Custodians	Sandra & Fernanda Medrano

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- Our Country and its leaders
  - All affected by the floods in Central Texas
  - Kayla McCracken
  - Priscilla McFarland
  - Jacob Beckett cousin of Amy Stark
  - Jon Harper on the passing of his father
  - Marcia Hakala
  - Carter McLeroy
  - Donna Streetman
  - Emily Lampe
  - Kyle Smith, son of John Kinney Smith
  - Becca Rowe
  - Ric Estes
  - Patricia Mulkey, Jim Patton's sister
  - Mike Clay
  - Debbie Dunham
  - Bill Heitholt
  - Jack Gray
  - Richard Young
  - Rev. Dennis Wilkinson
  - Georgia Gholston
  - Melanie & Judy Corteaal
  - Robert Seay
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August 24, 2025  
10:00 a.m. Sanctuary

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