



– *We Gather* –

PRELUDE

O Love Divine and Golden
Alicia Luttrell

Dykes

WELCOME AND PARISH NOTICES

Dr. Darren McClellan

Please take this time to sign the attendance pad located in your pew, or scan the CONNECT QR code located on the back of this bulletin.

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY *Three chimes signify the presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

❖ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the Lord!”

Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,

That we may learn God’s ways and walk in God’s paths. Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Come let us walk in the light of the Lord!

♪❖ **HYMN OF PRAISE**

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

UMH 173

❖ **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of forgiveness and mercy, hear our prayer as we confess our sin. With moments so critical, we let time go by. With deliverance so near, we linger in the darkness. With Christ as our armor, we yet fear the unknown foe. With the night having passed, we still hesitate to greet the new day. O God, lead us forth, that we may meet the moment you graciously give us. Dispel the shadows, so that your will may be clear. Clothed with light and new life in Christ, let us go forth as those awake to your will. Amen.

❖ **PASSING OF THE PEACE** *As forgiven and reconciled people, let us pass the Peace of Christ with one another.*

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE OF HOPE

Will Rath and Silvia Rath

We light this candle as a symbol of the hope we have in the promise of the Lord’s coming.

For the Lord will fulfill his promise to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. A righteous branch will spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

Come, Lord Jesus, come!

Today’s Acolytes: Sally and Annie Dodson

❖ *Please Stand in body or spirit* **Bold Print** – *Congregation Reads Aloud*

SUNG RESPONSE

Blest Be the God of Israel

Blest be the God of Israel, who comes to set us free,
who visits and redeems us, and grants us liberty.
The prophets spoke of mercy, of freedom and release;
God shall fulfill the promise to bring our people peace.

— *We Listen* —

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God of our people and Lord of every nation, let your Word ring out from the mountains and your Spirit shine forth in the earth, so that all may hear your teaching and all may do your will; through Jesus Christ our peace. Amen.

RESPONSIVE PSALTER

Psalm 122

UMH 845

Please join the choir in sung response #1 when indicated by the red R.

♪❖HYMN OF PREPARATION *Emmanuel, Emmanuel* (sing twice)

UMH 204

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

After the children's moment, children may leave with our staff to go to the nursery. Following the service parents can meet their children in The Landing.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 2:1-5

¹The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. ²In days to come the mountain of the LORD'S house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. ³Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. ⁴He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. ⁵O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

May God bless the reading of the Word. **Thanks be to God.**

MORNING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

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.

♪ACT OF PRAISE

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
Chancel Choir

arr. Martin

❖NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Romans 13:11-14

¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake up from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of the darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

May God bless the reading of the Word. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"The Daylight Saving God"

Rev. Jennifer Porto

— *WE RESPOND* —

❖AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—The Apostle's Creed

UMH 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. **universal*

♪❖GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Thanks to God for My Redeemer

arr. Sanborn

♪❖DOXOLOGY

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.

— *WE GO FORTH* —

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

♪❖HYMN OF INVITATION

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

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❖BENEDICTION

❖POSTLUDE

Ellacombe

arr. Monk

✙ FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given in celebration of Kathy Love McMaken. Happy birthday! Like Psalm 139:14 says, you are fearfully and wonderfully made. We thank God for the gift of having you as our sister.
Love, Melanie, Jan and Angie



WELCOME

We want to thank you for choosing to worship with us at Ashland Place United Methodist Church. If you have questions about church activities, church membership, or the Christian faith, we would love to speak with you.



CONNECT

Are you visiting today? If so, please scan this QR code to complete a CONNECT card, or contact a staff member to assist you.

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FINANCIAL UPDATE

Offering Received 11/23/25 \$11,732



ONLINE GIVING

To support the many ministries of APUMC, please scan this QR code and donate online.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

November 30, 2025

- 9:00am Ascension Modern Service (FH)
- 10:00am Sunday School
- 11:00am Traditional Sanctuary Service (S)
- 5:30pm Youth

Monday Men's Study Group, 7:00am (WP)
Women's Bible Study (FP)

Tuesday Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10:00am (FP)

Wednesday The Joseph Project, 9:30am (DW)
Choir Practice, 6:00pm
Pastor's Class, 6:00pm (FP)

Thursday Men's Bible Study, 7:00am (WP)
The Joseph Project, 9:30am (DW)
Trivia Night, 7:00pm (206 State St.)

Friday Office Closed

FP-Fellowship Parlor, S-Sanctuary, WP-Wisteria Parlor
B-Basement, DW-Dumas Wesley, 126 Mobile Street

THE JOSEPH PROJECT CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas Cards—A table is set up in the Fellowship Hall hallway for Christmas card orders, or you may use the link in your upcoming newsletter to order online. The deadline for preaddressed envelopes is Dec. 7.

HANGING OF THE GREENS

If you would like to contribute toward the special Christmas floral and greenery arrangements that will adorn the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall on Christmas Eve, please complete a form and turn it in to the office, or use the link in your newsletter to contribute online. The deadline is Thursday, December 18.

LOVE THE LOCALS FOOD DRIVE AND MUSIC FESTIVAL

APUMC will be hosting a community food drive and benefit concert at Dumas Wesley. The event will take place on Saturday, December 6, from 11:00am to 12:00pm and will feature performances by Doc Rogers and The Rock Dodgers Band, The Excelsior Band, and Jazz Studio. All are welcome!

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD will meet on Wednesday, December 10 at 12:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

YOUTH CHRISTMAS DINNER

The youth will be having a progressive dinner on December 14 from 5-7pm. Please bring a \$20 Dirty Santa gift (no gift cards please).

CIRCLE OF CONCERN

Please hold these persons in your prayers: Fay Adams, John Allen, John and Angela Bell, Jean Brown & son James Williams, Victor Brown (Dee Dee Cook's brother), Bob Cook, Braxton & Linda Lee Counts, Julie & Steve Dugan, Jake Elder, Mihyon Ellis, Phillip Fields, Bruce Finley, Missy Foose, Marcia Golson, Curt Graf (Curtis Graf's father), Diane Holub (Angela Prine's mother), Barbara Hunt, Andrew Irby, Tyler Mazey, David Richards, Sara Robinson, Tom Root, Mary Davis Rutledge, Nancy Scott, Lonn Spencer, Jody Thompson (Pam Bostick's brother-in-law), Louise Thomson, Sherry Thomson, Suzannah Weeks, Robert Wheeler (Emily McGough's brother), Merrill Whitener, Kathryn Willingham, and all caregivers (**new concern this week*)

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Hymns and Responses for November 30, 2025

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

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1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise,
triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.

2. Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return,
till thy mercy's beams I see;
till they inward light impart,
cheer my eyes and warm my heart.

3. Visit then this soul of mine;
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me, Radiancy divine,
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.

Emmanuel, Emmanuel

UMH 204

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.
God with us, revealed in us, his name is called
Emmanuel.

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

UMH 213

1. Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates; behold, the King
of glory waits; the King of kings is drawing near; the
Savior of the world is here!

2. Fling wide the portals of your heart; make it a temple,
set apart from earthly use for heaven's employ, adorned
with prayer and love and joy.

3. Redeemer, come, with us abide; our hearts to thee we
open wide; let us thy inner presence feel; thy grace and
love in us reveal.

4. Thy Holy Spirit lead us on until our glorious goal is
won; eternal praise, eternal fame be offered, Savior, to
thy name!

Psalm 122

RESPONSE 1 (Advent & General)

James Montgomery
Gesangbuch der H. W. k. Hofkapelle



Hail to the Lord's A-noint-ed, great Da-vid's great-er Son!

RESPONSE 2 (General)

Ps. 122:6a,7a
Jane Marshall



Pray for the peace of Je - ru - sa - lem;



with - in your walls be peace.

R

- ¹ I was glad when they said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the Lord!"
- ² **Our feet were standing**
within your gates, O Jerusalem!
- ³ Jerusalem is built as a city
and is bound firmly together,
- ⁴ to which the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord,
to give thanks to the name of the Lord,
as was decreed for Israel.
- ⁵ **Thrones for judgment were set there,**
the thrones of the house of David. R
- ⁶ Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!
"May they prosper who love you!
- ⁷ **Peace be within your walls,**
and security within your towers!"
- ⁸ For the sake of my relatives and friends
I will say, "Peace be within you!"
- ⁹ **For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,**
I will seek your good. R