

**\*Hymn of Commitment.....No. 529**  
*"How Firm a Foundation"*

**\*Benediction.....Rev. Andy Stoddard**

**\*Cross and Light of the World**

**\*Choral Response..... Sanctuary Choir**  
*"Until We Meet Again" – Schram*

**Postlude .....Frank Laney, Organist**

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

*The Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in honor of St. Matthew’s UMC Staff  
by John & Kay Dawson.*


**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

*We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.*



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**WELCOME TO ST. MATTHEW’S!**

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If you are visiting with us this morning we hope you feel welcome and will return to visit soon! Please take a moment to sign the attendance pad found on each pew or you can scan the QR Code to let us know you are here. This QR Code can also be used to make a financial contribution.



# St. Matthew’s United Methodist Church

November 9, 2025, 10:30 am

*Twentysecond Sunday after Pentecost*

**Gathering** ..... **Chris Bailey**

**Prelude** ..... **Frank Laney**, *Organist*

**\*Call To Worship** ..... **Sanctuary Choir**  
*“Firm Foundation” – Gordon/Harvill*

**\*Cross and Light of the World**

**\*Hymn of Praise** ..... **No. 696**  
*“America, The Beautiful”*

**Litany for Veterans Day**

**Leader:** Let us give thanks to God for the land of our birth with all its chartered liberties. For all the wonder of our country's story:

**People:** We give You thanks, O God.

**Leader:** For leaders in nation and state, and for those who in days past and in these present times have labored for the commonwealth:

**People:** We give You thanks, O God.

**Leader:** For those who in all times and places have been true and brave, and in the world's common ways have lived upright lives and ministered to their fellows:

**People:** We give You thanks, O God.

**Leader:** For those who served their country in its hour of need, and especially for those who gave even their lives in that service:

**People:** We give You thanks, O God.

**Leader:** O almighty God and most merciful Father, as we remember these your servants, remembering with gratitude their courage and strength, we hold before you those who mourn them. Look upon your bereaved servants with your mercy. As this day brings them memories of those they have lost awhile, may it also bring your consolation and the assurance that their loved ones are alive now and forever in your living presence. Amen.

**Morning Prayers**

**Call to Prayer** ..... **No. 534**

**Pastoral Prayer** ..... *“Be Still, My Soul” (vv. 1 & 2)*

**Lord’s Prayer** ..... **No. 895**

**Choral Response** ..... **Sanctuary Choir**  
*“May the Words of My Mouth” – Baumbach*

**Birthday Gift for Christ** ..... **Lesley Dill, MadCAAP**

**Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts**

**Offertory** ..... **Frank Laney**, *Organist*

**\*Doxology** ..... **No. 95**

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**Children’s Moment** ..... **Brett Ziegler**

**Hymn of Preparation** ..... **No. 117**  
*“O God, Our Help in Ages Past” (vv. 1, 2, 5 & 6)*

**\*New Testament Reading** ..... **I Thessalonians 2:13–17**

**Dewey Arthur:** *This is the Word of God for the people of God.*

**People:** *Thanks be to God!*

**Anthem** ..... **Sanctuary Choir**  
*“Kum Ba Yah ” – Raney*

**Old Testament Reading** ..... **Psalm 17**

**Leader:** *This is the Word of God for the people of God.*

**People:** *Thanks be to God!*

**Message** ..... **Rev. Andy Stoddard**  
*“The Apple of God’s Eye”*