

Sermon Message
“Serve One Another”
Rev. Susan Suárez Webster

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE

^ Closing Hymn
As a Fire is Meant for Burning, TFWS #2237

^Next Steps & Benediction

Postlude

FOR NEW FOLKS:

WELCOME TO GUILFORD COLLEGE UMC!

We are so glad that you chose to worship with us this morning. GCUMC is a place for all who long to grow closer to God and others. Please know that you are loved and accepted here.

WE LOVE CHILDREN

If you brought the kids with you, please know that the noises children make are music in our, and God's, ears. You are welcome to keep your children with you in worship. We also have child care available for infants through age 4 in Room C8 on the first floor of the children's building during the 11:00am worship service, and a separate children's worship experience at 11am that begins after the children's message for children in grades K-6.

JOIN US FOR “COFFEE WITH THE PASTORS”

Join us in the parlor, just down the hall from the sanctuary, after the worship services on **November 9** for “Coffee with the Pastors.” This informal gathering with Pastors Jeremy and Susan will help you get to know them, meet other newcomers, learn more about our church, ask questions, and talk about how you might become more involved.

WE CARE THAT YOU ARE HERE

Whether you're a new guest or a regular worshipper, you matter to us. We want to know that you are here and how we can pray for you. **We hope you will please take a moment to fill out our attendance pad with your name and contact information and leave it in the pew.**

PLEASE VISIT US ONLINE

To learn more about us, please visit us either at our website, guilfordcollegeumc.org, through our YouTube Channel, or on our Facebook Page (just search “Guilford College UMC” for each). You may also use your phone's camera or QR app to scan the QR code to the right:



GIVE

MAKE AN OFFERING TO THE WORK OF GOD'S CHURCH

- 1 - Text GiveGCUMC to 73256. Then click on the link provided to give.
- 2 – Visit our website www.guilfordcollegeumc.org to use your credit card or to set up an automatic draft. Immediate receipts are available. You can even use the GCUMC QR code in this bulletin.
- 3 – Log into your REALM account to give through your profile's giving page.
- 4 - Checks can be made out to “Guilford College UMC” and placed in the offering plate and cash is always a good form of giving.



Please complete your 2026 SERVING COMMITMENT FORM and 2026 GIVING COMMITMENT CARD, and bring them to next Sunday's Laity Worship Service or the church office. This information is vital to our church as we expand areas of service, outreach, and ministry; and to budgeting our financial resources. You can also find these forms and cards on our website.

Every Gift truly does Matter!!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

Shoebbox Season Is Here! Collection Sunday is November 23, 2025. You can physically pack a box to bring to the altar on that date OR pack a box online for \$30. Either way, share God's love, pack a box, and change a life! Boxes and information are available outside of the Sanctuary.

ANNUAL BRUNSWICK STEW FUNDRAISER

Saturday, November 1st | Pick Up 12:00–2:00 PM | At the Church
Tickets are available today for BSA Troop 149's quarts of Brunswick Stew. Each quart is **\$10**, and all proceeds support local Scouting activities and adventures. To reserve your quarts or ask questions, contact **Tom Kobrin at 336-558-1299**. Thank you for supporting our Scouts!

GROW

CPR CLASS

Are you interested in becoming CPR certified? We will host a CPR class open to all on **Friday, October 24, from 9 am-12 pm, in classroom C14** at a **cost of \$50 per person**. This AHA Basic Life Support class will be facilitated by Cone Heath and is a great opportunity to learn a valuable skill. Please contact the church office by email, welcome@guilfordcollegeumc.org, or call (336) 292-5833 to register for the course.

DISCIPLE SCHOOL

Join Jeremy Troxler in the Sanctuary on Wednesday, October 22 from 6:45 - 7:45pm for review and discussion around the passages from our Bible Year readings. All are welcome. No prior preparation required.

CONNECT

PUMPKIN PATCH

Sign up to help with selling in the patch. The calendar can be found in the information center or contact Randy Wall, rwall@guilfordcollegeumc.org.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT OUT

We are offering the Wednesday Night Out meal **every other week (Oct. 22, Nov. 5 & 19)** this fall. Come to church **at 5:45pm** for good food, friendly faces, and engaging activities for all ages following the meal. The cost is **\$6/person** payable online or in-person with a nominal processing fee for credit card or tap payments. The meal is served in the "A" building. When the weather is nice we will offer outdoor seating as well by the playground.

Oct. 22 menu: Pork BBQ, slaw, potato salad, baked beans and dessert.
Note: Wednesday night programming including Chancel Choir, SnYP, Youth Game Night and Faith Files & Friends will continue to **meet every week**, including the weeks that do not have a meal.

BOO BASH AND BAKE SALE

Games, Trunk or Treating, Bake Sale and more. Sunday, October 26th from 4-6pm at GCUMC. If you would like your car trunk to participate in the Trunk or Treating line, please contact Cyndi Allen at 703-615-7022 or cyndiandscott818@gmail.com. Bags of individually wrapped candy can be donated in the Jack-o-lantern box in the Information Center. Donations of baked goods can be dropped off on October 25th from 3-6pm in room A4 (Adult hallway). The United Women in Faith will sell the Baked items both Sunday morning and during the Boo Bash. Bring your \$ next Sunday to buy some goodies and support missions!

PRAY

AMONG THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR TODAY:

Within Our Church Family: **Those who are Grieving:** Cliff Moser on the passing of his brother, Harvey Moser; Dave Lehman Sr. on the passing of his brother, Paul Lehman; all those who have lost a loved one **Healing:** Kathy Raper; Scott Blackwell; Kathy Graham; Debbie Jenkins; Suzy Padgett; Barbara Price; Jenn Miller; Susan Whitesides; Lynette Whitaker; Gay Brown; Dave Wasserboehr; **Strength & Faith:** Carole Stevens **Surgery or Tests:** Barbara Jones (knee surgery 10/20); Vicki Kidd (surgery 10/22); David Saunders (surgery 12/15) **Those With Cancer:** Tom Jenkins; Becky Babaooff; Lisa Hodges; **Sustaining and Guidance:** David Long; Harold Eagle; Harold Proctor; Doris Linker; Patsy Wyatt; Nancy and Jim Baity; Helen Phillips; Bill Blyshak; Gina Murphy; Tina Bell Midgett; Terri Hastings; Y'Josue M'lo (military service in Germany);

Extended Church Family: **Grieving:** Henry Freeman on the passing of his grandfather, Charles Barker; The Family and Friends of Dwight Thomas; The Family and Friends of Judith Woolf (Becky Pearce's mother); The Family and Friends of Billy O'Brien (friend of Elizabeth Heydary); all who are grieving and need comfort; **Cancer:** Tammy Smith; Emily; Harrison Henry Brooks; Alex Brylske; Billy Carey; Jim Cashman; Joanne Burgener; Ron Moser; Debra Rutt; Shilah George; Shannon Wilson; Sammy Williams; Azalea Marbury; Debbie Sexton; Judy Journey; Tammy Strickland; Jerri Ramsey; **Surgery and Awaiting Test Results:** Baby Laurel Richart; Nancy Carver; **Healing:** Helen Allen; Tim Winger (Cheryl Bullard's brother); Lynn Bowman; Shirley Cox; Sue Yeeles; Peggy Conaway; Alannah Romano; **Strength and Guidance:** Fay Barrett and Family; Kathy Williams; Jim Eldrett; Sammy Rodriguez (military in Cuba); Emily Franco; Kenneth Briggs; Christopher Blyshak; Y'Suan Mlo and H'Lai, H'Jina, H'Sally, Bunlim and Darwin (H'Sally and family have received permission to resettle in Australia); our ministry partners in Kenya; **Missionaries:** Liz and David Gamble; **World:** all who are in areas where there is war, famine, drought and natural disasters; victims of violence, famine in Israel, Gaza and Iran

SERMON NOTES

Today in worship we continue with our year-long series called “The Bible Year,” in which we are reading the Scriptures all the way through together, from cover to cover, from Genesis all the way through Revelation. As we continue in the Gospel According to John, the fourth book of the New Testament, we recognize that John’s gospel allows us to peer into the life of Jesus and get a sense about how his disciples struggled to understand some of their teacher’s actions. All of Christ’s teaching and actions have a purpose and proclaim the very essence of his ministry. Jesus loved his disciples and he knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God. When he knelt before the disciples and humbled himself before them to wash their feet during the Passover meal, he demonstrated the importance of serving one another without reservation. This loving and selfless act of washing the disciples’ feet can help us understand our role as Christ’s disciples in the world today.

Today's Scripture
JOHN 13:1-17 (NIV)
KEY VERSES:

It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.² The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. ³ Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; ⁴ so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. ⁵ After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples’ feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him..... “Do you understand what I have done for you?” he asked them. ¹³ “You call me ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord,’ and rightly so, for that is what I am. ¹⁴ Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another’s feet. ¹⁵ I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.

THIS WEEK’S READINGS FOR “THE BIBLE YEAR”:

Day 292	Sunday, October 19 th	John 11:1 – 12:50
Day 293	Monday, October 20 th	John 13:1 – 14:31
Day 294	Tuesday, October 21 st	John 15:1 – 17:26
Day 295	Wednesday, October 22 nd	John 18:1 – 19:42
Day 296	Thursday, October 23 rd	John 20:1 – 21:25
Day 297	Friday, October 24 th	Acts 1:1 – 2:47
Day 298	Saturday, October 25 th	Acts 3:1 – 6:16

GCUMC STAFF

Jeremy Troxler, Lead Pastor
Andrés Pérez, Student Assoc. Minister
Randy Wall, Dir. of Youth & College Min.
Shelby Hallquist, Dir. Pre- & AfterSchool
Ginny Williamson, Accompanist
Carol Ingram, Administrative Assist.
Christina & Michael Hull, WNO Coordinators

Susan Suárez Webster, Pastor
Donna Ford, Dir. of Christian Education
Laurin Allred, Young Adult & Connections
Melanie Crump, Director of Music
Amy Wall, Church Administrator
Gloria Brown, Financial Director

THIS WEEK’S SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 19

Worship in the Sanctuary at 8:30am
Various Learning Groups at 9:45am
Breakfast Bunch at the Highwoods Panera at 9:45am
Worship in the Sanctuary and Livestream Broadcast at 11:00am
Kenya Team Meeting in Room A7 at 12:15pm
Soccer on the back field at 2:30pm
UMYF (Grades 7-12) in Rooms C10 & C11 from 5:00 -7:00pm
Nominations Committee in Room A4 at 7:00pm

Monday, October 20

Scouts in the Children’s Building in the evening
NA in the Sanctuary at 7:00pm

Tuesday, October 21

Women’s Bible Study: Revelation via Zoom at 6:00pm
Girl Scout Troop 30018 in Room C10 at 6:00pm
Handbell Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Room at 6:30pm
Finance Committee in Room A4 at 6:30pm

Wednesday, October 22

Women’s Bible Study: Revelation in Room A4 and via Zoom at 9:30am
New Direction Nar-Anon Family Group in Room A2 at Noon
Mid-week Prayer Time in the Parlor at Noon
Wednesday Night Out meal on the A hallway from 5:45 – 6:45pm
Kids’ Music Club in the Choir Room from 6:10 – 6:40pm
ESOL in Room B6 from 6:30 – 7:45pm
Youth Fun Night meet on the back field from 6:45-7:45pm
Faith Files/Faith Friends gather on playground from 6:45 - 7:45pm
SnYP in Laurin’s office from 6:45 – 7:45pm
Disciple School in the Sanctuary from 6:45 – 7:45pm
Choir Rehearsal in the choir room at 7:00pm

Thursday, October 23

Thriving at 3 in Room C14 at 10:00am
Girl Scouts in the Children’s Building in the evening
NarAnon in Room A2 at 7:00pm

Friday, October 24

CPR Training in Room C14 from 9am – Noon

Saturday, October 25

Baked Goods received in room A4 from 3:00 – 6:00pm

Sunday, October 26

UWF Bake Sale in Room A4 throughout the morning
Worship in the Sanctuary at 8:30am
Various Learning Groups at 9:45am
Worship in the Sanctuary and Livestream Broadcast at 11:00am
Boo Bash from 4:00 – 6:00pm in the parking lot

CONTACT US

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Guilford College United Methodist Church October 19, 2025 – 8:30 & 11:00am

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude
Ginny Williamson

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome, Praises & Opening Prayer
Rev. Jeremy Troxler

^Fellowship Greeting & Opening Hymn
O Church of God, United, UMH #547

WE PRAISE GOD AND PRAY

Children's Message
Donna Ford

*At the 11am worship celebration, Children in Grades K-6 may exit for Children’s Worship on the 2nd floor of the Children’s building. They can be picked up from the church Parlor after 11am worship.

Stewardship Moment: TALENT

Hymn
Take My Life and Let It Be, UMH #399, vs. 1, 2

Offering
Rev. Jeremy Troxler

Offertory
Trust in the Lord

Prayers of the People
& The Lord’s Prayer
Laurin Allred

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD

^Scripture Reading
John 13:1-17 (NIV)

^ = Please stand as you are able.
Our worship services may be recorded and/or live streamed to YouTube, Facebook, and the church’s website. Should you need a hearing device, please ask an usher for assistance.