



**October 26, 2025
Traditional Worship
Commitment Sunday**

Prelude: 8:45 - Voluntary in C - Stanley
11:15 - Children of the Heavenly Father - Joyful Ringers

Welcome

***Call to Worship:**

Leader: The Spirit is here,

People: Bringing vision and hope for our world.

Leader: Christ lifts us up!

People: Welcoming us with open arms.

***Opening Prayer: God of generous creation, thank you for the autumn breeze, for the morning dew; for humbling scripture stories; for the music and your Word. Your commitment to us is amazing. All of your creation speaks love to us. All of your scripture resounds with your generous grace. Renew in us, our commitment to you and your church, in Jesus Christ, Amen.**

***Opening Hymn: UMH 62 - All Creatures of our God and King**

Scripture: 1 Kings 17:9-16 (8:45-Rodger Smith, 11:15-Ellen Cavanagh)

“Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there, for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” But she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.”

Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said, but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth.” She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

Anthem: (11:15) - I Want Jesus to Walk with Me - Copenhaver/Martin

Sermon: Welcome: “Friend-Makers”

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Offering:

- White Card for online giving. More of us are Giving electronically. Contact the office for more info.
- (on screen) Visit www.bsumc.churchtrac.com/give

Offertory: 8:45 - Adagio - Mozart

11:15 - Colors of Joy - Joyful Ringers

***Doxology:** UMH 94

***Apostles’ Creed:** UMH 881

Bringing our Commitments Forward (during the hymn)

***Closing Hymn:** UMH 399 - Take My Life and Let it Be

***Benediction**

Postlude: Toccata in D Minor - J. S. Bach

PRAYERS Sunday 10/19

Mary Ames and Family

Lucinda Angel

Gail Austin

Kathryn Baber

Bob Ball

Family of Marvin Barb

Louanne Bentgen

Fred & Marybeth Board

Denny Bromley

Family of Eli Brown

Ruth Brown

Sean Bryan

Jeff Burke

John Capehart's family

Flo Carroll

Family of child killed in boscawen
accident

Family of Jim Davis

Barbara Devers

Charlie Dominski

Alex Dow

Chris Edmiston

Kaiden Faulkner

Federal workers

Gene Fishel

Christine French

Bobby Galpin

Isabel Garcia

Patsy Gochenour

Joe Graber

Kris Graham

Dee and Ralph Grim

Francine Guiser

Laura Harris

Gabriela Hernandez

Lois Hofmann

Dan Hollandsworth

Janice Hoover

William Hubbard

Claire Huddleston

Charlie and Debbie Hunt

Immigrants in our community

Janet Kelleher

Roger Kelly

Emily Konrady.

Susan Mahle

Don Miller

Maxine Mizell

Harold Ogg

Patricia

Deanna Pifer

Peace in the world, Ukraine, Gaza

Shirley Peterson

Spencer Ridings

Liz Ritter

Jack Robinson

Charles Ruhes

Melani Sabanosh

Masen Savage

Melissa Shatzer

Steve Shatzer

Greg Sine

Bill & Sandy Silzer

Wayne Stuart

Debbie Sylvester

Carrie Takarsh

Wafaa Thater and family

** Carrie Titus **

Meredith Titus

Phyllis Titus

Mary Trent

Antionette Tucker

Unhoused neighbors

Unemployed persons

Victims of Gun Violence

Lee Warren

Larry West

Dee Wheatley

Brian White

Tammy White

Greg Williams

Kristin Whitesides

David Witt

(Bold names = long term prayers)