

September 27, 2026
Traditional Service
Commitment Sunday



Prelude: All Things Bright and Beautiful - Rutter

Welcome

***Call to Worship:**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord.

People: Call on God's holy name.

Leader: Return the gifts of worship to the Lord.

People: We offer the gifts of our hearts and our hands.

***Opening Prayer: Guide our way, Caretaker God, in the wilderness of our lives. Offer us the bread of heaven, that we may taste of your Spirit. Accept the gifts of our church and our humble stewardship. Thank you for your grace and provision, always. Amen.**

***Opening Hymn:** UMH 400 - Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 8:8-15 (8:45 Tom Miller, 11:15 Kim Markle)

I do not say this as a command, but I am, by mentioning the eagerness of others, testing the genuineness of your love. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my opinion: it is beneficial for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something. Now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have. For I do not mean that there should be relief for others and hardship for you, but it is a question of equality between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may also supply your need, in order that there may be equality. As it is written,

“The one who had much did not have too much,
and the one who had little did not have too little.”

Anthem 11:15: Clap Your Hands! Sing for Joy! - Hannibal and Paige

Sermon: Your Generosity of Treasure

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Offering: Your Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure

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Offertory: Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee - Dykes/Smith

***Doxology:** UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***Apostles' 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.

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

Bringing Forth the Commitment Cards

***Benediction**

Postlude: The Day Thou Gavest, Lord, Is Ended - Scholefield/Helvey