You Belong Here

***Please stand if you are able**
UMH is **U**nited **M**ethodist **H**ymnal (red book)
TFWS is **T**he **F**aith **W**e **S**ing (black book)

Announcements and Welcome to Worship

Prelude
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee Ludwig van Beethoven/Lani Smith
Thou our Father, Christ, our brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship (responsive*)*
WL: God has entrusted each of us with gifts.
C: We come ready to offer what we have.
WL: God calls us to live awake, encouraging one another.
C: We come ready to grow in faith and serve with love.
WL: Every gift can become a blessing.
C: We will use what we have to serve God and neighbor.
All: We will meet Jesus, follow Jesus, and serve Jesus.
Amen.

Opening Hymn UMH 399 Take My Life and Let it Be

Celebrating Joys and Lifting Concerns

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Young Disciples Message and Prayer

***Hymn of Preparation UMH 122 v.4-6** *God of the Sparrow*

***Gospel Lesson** Matthew 25:14-30

Message *"Faithful with What We Have" - Pastor Kevin R. Kitto*

Confession, Pardon and Peace

Stewardship Moment

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Anthem

***The Doxology UMH 95**
Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

***Sending Forth Hymn UMH 555** *Forward Through the Ages*

***Sending Forth in Mission and Benediction**
WL: What has God entrusted to us?
C: Gifts, time, resources, and opportunities to serve.
WL: What will we do with what we have received?
C: Use it faithfully and share it generously.
All: We will meet Jesus, follow Jesus, and serve Jesus.

***Postlude** With Grateful Hearts William Barnett
Sing out your thanks to the Lord;
sing praises to our God with a harp. Psalm 147:7

Has God laid something on your heart today?
Write it down so you don't forget to take it into your week.

United Methodist Vision Statement

The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ, who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/IMPORTANT NOTES:

Welcome! We're so glad you are here worshiping with us today! Children are always welcome to stay and participate in worship. The nursery is open and located in the corner of the fellowship hall. If this is your first time with us, please fill out a Welcome Card and place in the offering plate. We Livestream our services each Sunday. You can find these services church Facebook page: www.facebook.com/1stUMCGouv/

RIP IT- Free exercise group. Check FB group or contact Amber Ormasen for updates.

Meetings This Week - SPRC -Tues., COS - Wed. at 6:30

-Sat., Nov. 21 - Grandparents' Breakfast- 8:30-10:30am - Donations of homemade muffins, breads, donuts and jams are welcomed.

-Sun. Nov. 22 - Consecration Sunday - Dinner to follow service at FUMC. RSVP to the office for dinner reservation.

-Monday, Nov. 23 - Book/Bible Study 6:30-8pm **at the library**.The Return of the Prodigal Son by Henri Nouwen.

-Thurs. Nov. 26 - FREE Thanksgiving Take Out Dinner at 11:30. Call ahead to order

St. James Outreach is in need of children's clothing in good condition. Drop off during business hours - Tues. through Sat., 10am-2pm.

Thanksgiving Dinner Delivery Drivers are needed. Please see Pat if you are able.

Read ahead for next week:

Ephesians 1:15–23; Matthew 25:31–46

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First United Methodist Church of Gouverneur

Mission: "Meet Jesus, Follow Jesus, Serve Jesus"

Worship Pastor: Pastor Kevin R. Kitto

Liturgist: Peter Parrish

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Choir Director: Don Schuessler

Sermon Series: **Blessed to be a Blessing**

Service Title: Use What You've Been Given

Theme: God entrusts each of us with gifts. Faithful stewardship means using what we have—not hiding it—to serve God and bless others.

November 15, 2026

11am