

Psalm 34:1-9

I will bless the LORD at all times; God's praise will always be in my mouth. I praise the LORD—let the suffering listen and rejoice. Magnify the LORD with me! Together let us lift God's name up high! I sought the LORD and God answered me. God delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to God will shine; their faces are never ashamed. This suffering person cried out: the LORD listened and saved him from every trouble. On every side, the LORD's messenger protects those who honor God; and God delivers them. Taste and see how good the LORD is! The one who takes refuge in God is truly happy! You who are the LORD's holy ones, honor God, because those who honor God don't lack a thing.

Ruth 1:8-9, 16-18

Naomi said to her daughters-in-law, "Go, turn back, each of you to the household of your mother. May the LORD deal faithfully with you, just as you have done with the dead and with me. May the LORD provide for you so that you may find security, each woman in the household of her husband." Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to abandon you, to turn back from following after you. Wherever you go, I will go; and wherever you stay, I will stay. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God. Wherever you die, I will die, and there I will be buried. May the LORD do this to me and more so if even death separates me from you." When Naomi saw that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped speaking to her about it.



November 16, 2025 9:00 am

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PRELUDE

WELCOME & GREETING

*SONG OF BEGINNING *We Gather* No. 131
 Together, vs. 1-2 Red Hymnal

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We are people of God, created to love.

People: We will love the Lord our God with heart, soul, mind and strength.

Leader: We are people of God determined to love.

People: We will love our neighbors and treat them as we would wish to be treated.

Leader: We love because we know the love of Jesus.

People: We love because God first loved us.

POSTLUDE

Participating in Worship:

Rev. Brad Mather, Preaching

Amanda Hinthorn, Dir. of Community Engagement, Worship Assistant

Marcia Flaherty, Reader

Daniel Taylor, Children's Time

Heavenly Handbells, Music

Sue Lundeen, Organist

INVITATIONS TO ACTION

If you are not already receiving our Monday Devotional Word of the Week or our weekly Thursday email that outlines what is happening in the life of this faith community please reach out to the church office so we can get you on this email list at office@sunprairieumc.org or 837-5554.

Have a Tech Question?

Amanda Hinthorn will be available in the church library after worship today to troubleshoot your tech needs (including podcast). Please bring your device and plan to stop by this morning or reach out to Amanda at ahinthorn@sunprairieumc.org

Advent Study--Down to Earth

This Advent study by United Methodist pastors Mike Slaughter and Rachel Billups will focus on the love, humility, lifestyle and obedience of Jesus that came down to earth at Christmas. The study will challenge us to explore what the Christmas miracle means to each of us.

Join us on Wednesdays from noon to 1 pm in the Chapel: December 3, 10 and 17, or on Sundays from 10:15-11 am in the Chapel: November 30, December 7, 14 and 21. Pastor Jenny will teach the Wednesday class and Pastor Brad and Amanda Hinthorn will teach the Sunday class. The Friday Grace Cafe small group will also be offering this Advent study from 9:30-11 am.

Contact the church office to sign up for a class and reserve a book 608/837-5554 or office@sunprairieumc.org.

XYZ

Date: Wednesday November 19 Time: 1pm

Rev. Dr. Scott Carlson will inform us as the Director of Congregational Development for our United Methodist Conference on the process used to help in rejuvenating churches or newly formed churches. If you have questions about XYZ, please reach out to Pastor Brad.