

November 8, 2026 ~ Traditional Worship

9:30am ~ Sanctuary

Thank you for praising the Lord of life with us today!

WELCOME
PRELUDE *Three Joyous Verses*

*CALL TO WORSHIP 1 John 4
Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God.
Everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.
God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him.
In this is love, not that we loved God, but that God loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.
Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.
If we love one another, God lives in us, and God's love is perfected in us.

*HYMN

*OPENING PRAYER
O Lord, you have shown us the depth of your love in Jesus Christ, who humbled himself for our sake. Pour that love into our hearts again today. Teach us to put aside selfishness, to care for one another, and to offer ourselves in joyful service. May the grace we receive from you overflow through our words and actions, our relationships and choices, until our lives become living proof of your goodness. Shape us by your Spirit, so that others will see your light shining through us and know the love of Christ. Amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE Philippians 2:1-16 (The Message)
1 *If you've gotten anything at all out of following Christ, if his love has made any difference in your life, if being in a community of the Spirit means anything to you, if you have a heart, if you care -* ***2*** *then do me a favor: Agree with each other, love each other, be deep-spirited friends.* ***3*** *Don't push your way to the front; don't sweet-talk your way to the top. Put yourself aside, and help others get ahead.* ***4****Don't be obsessed with getting your own advantage. Forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand.* ***5*** *Think of yourselves the way Christ Jesus thought of himself.* ***6*** *He had equal status with God but didn't think so much of himself that he had to cling to the advantages of that status no matter what.* ***7*** *Not at all. When the time came, he set aside the*

privileges of deity and took on the status of a slave, became human! ***8*** *Having become human, he stayed human. It was an incredibly humbling process. He didn't claim special privileges. Instead, he lived a selfless, obedient life and then died a selfless, obedient death - and the worst kind of death at that: a crucifixion.* ***9*** *Because of that obedience, God lifted him high and honored him far beyond anyone or anything, ever,* ***10*** *so that all created beings in heaven and on earth - even those long ago dead and buried - will bow in worship before this Jesus Christ,* ***11*** *and call out in praise that he is the Master of all, to the glorious honor of God the Father.*

12 *What I'm getting at, friends, is that you should simply keep on doing what you've done from the beginning. When I was living among you, you lived in responsive obedience. Now that I'm separated from you, keep it up. Better yet, redouble your efforts. Be energetic in your life of salvation, reverent and sensitive before God.*
13 *That energy is God's energy, an energy deep within you, God himself willing and working at what will give him the most pleasure.* ***14*** *Do everything readily and cheerfully - no bickering, no second-guessing allowed!* ***15*** *Go out into the world uncorrupted, a breath of fresh air in this squalid and polluted society. Provide people with a glimpse of good living and of the living God. Carry the light-giving Message into the night* ***16*** *so I'll have good cause to be proud of you on the day that Christ returns.* ***You'll be living proof that I didn't go to all this work for nothing****.*

ANTHEM *Christ Has Broken Down the Wall*

SERMON ***Living Proof***

OVERFLOWING LOVE

HYMN #

VETERANS RECOGNITION
PASTORAL PRAYER
THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING
ANTHEM *Near to the Heart of God*
*DOXOLOGY
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION
God of overflowing love, you have given us more grace than we could ever earn and more love than we could ever repay. Receive these gifts as signs of our gratitude and commitment. Use them, and us, to bring hope, healing, and love to your world. May all that we give and all that we do become living proof of your goodness and grace, in Jesus' name, Amen.

*INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN #
*BLESSING
*POSTLUDE