Tuesday evening Bible Study will be held here at the church from 7 – 8:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. Please bring your Bible.

The men meet for breakfast every third Saturday of each month at **8:00 a.m.** November's gathering will take place on the 21st.

Prayer Shawl Committee - would greatly appreciate yarn donations.

Christian Library – There is now a collection of Christian books in the cabinet in the Narthex. Feel free to browse, borrow, take and share them at your leisure. If you would like to add to the collection, please ensure the books are Christian.

OUTREACH

If you would like to **help out in any way** with the Outreach Program, please call 289-385-1462 and speak to one of our volunteers.
The committee is once again in need of **reusable cloth grocery bags**.

Entrance to the church via the back parking lot doors **will be locked at 10 a.m. on Sunday mornings.** If you arrive late, please enter the church via the front doors.

Please avoid using the side door ("school door") on Sunday mornings or after hours when using the church for committee meetings/Bible study, etc. When locking up the church, please check the side door as well.

A reminder to please arrive at church "scent free".

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All Saints Day
November 1, 2026

Darlene Peddle	Lay Worship Leader
Anthony Alexander B Mus.	Music Facilitator
Mary Bellinger	Song Leader

*indicates those who are able to please stand

WE GATHER TOGETHER

PRE-SERVICE HYMN SING
PRELUDE
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE
CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

L: We are here to worship a remarkable God.
P: The love of God welcomes us,
the grace of Christ awaits us,
the joy of the Spirit enfolds us.
L: Don't come as slaves, come as the truly free.
Don't come as petitioners, come as those who are already heard.
Don't come as interlopers, come as invited guests.
Don't come as outsiders, come as much-wanted children.
P: The love of God emboldens us.
The grace of Christ redeems us.
The joy of the Spirit uplifts us.
L: Come as the joyful, come as the eager, come as the thankful, come as the recipients of amazing grace.
P: The love of God overflows our hearts.
The grace of Christ liberates our spirits.
The joy of the Spirit sings in our minds.
L: Come, let us worship God!

CHORAL INTROIT *This Is the Day* 412 vs.1
This is the day, this is the day
that our God has made, that our God has made,
we will rejoice, we will rejoice,
and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that our God has made,
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day
that our God has made.

*PRAYER OF APPROACH (unison)

Almighty and gracious God, You have knit your people together in one mystical body and communion with all Your saints of every time and place. Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, we come into Your presence today with thanksgiving and praise. Thank you for the light of faith shown by those who have gone before us and left their imprints on our hearts. Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us, that we may be renewed in Your presence, comforted in our grief, and inspired to follow Your blessed saints in lives of quiet service, deep courage, and unyielding love. Unite our voices with theirs as we worship you, now and forever. Amen

*HYMN *Seek Ye First the Kingdom* 356

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, You tell us to taste and see that You are good, but we confess that we often look for sweetness and satisfaction in the empty cisterns of this world rather than in You. You have called us to keep our tongues from evil and our lips from speaking deceit. Yet we confess the times our words have torn down instead of built up. We have gossiped, complained, manipulated, and spoken untruths, failing to pursue peace with our neighbours. We admit that we do not always seek You or trust You with our fears. We lean on our own strength, give in to anxiety, and wander away from Your goodness. You ae near to the broken-hearted and save the contrite in spirit. We come to You now with contrite hearts, acknowledging our sin and seeking forgiveness.

SILENT PRAYER ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM *Just A Closer Walk With Thee* by W.S. Stevenson

PRAYING FOR THE SAINTS

*HYMN *For All the Saints* 705

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE Joshua 3:7-17

SCRIPTURE 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

SCRIPTURE Matthew 23:1-12

*HYMN *Faith of Our Fathers* 580

MESSAGE

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

*HYMN *How Firm a Foundation* 660

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY 384(HFG)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN *Amazing Grace* 266

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING *Go Now In Peace*

POSTLUDE

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If you are visiting with us for the first time this morning, welcome! It is no longer our custom to pass around the offering plate. The plate is kept at the front of the church, just inside the door, and offering envelopes are available in the pews. All donations are greatly appreciated and help to keep the heart of this sacred place beating with God's love, grace, and generosity.

Happy Birthday to **Jamie Anderson**, who celebrates on Wednesday, and **Doreen Bondy**, who celebrates on Friday ☺

Outdoor Christmas Market – This Saturday, November 7 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. **We need help** baking cookies, cakes, pies, breads, etc. for our bake table and anyone who can volunteer some time to help out with various duties. Donna Wilson needs help with hot drinks.

The Mission & Service Committee will be hosting a **women's Friendship Circle Brunch** on Saturday, November 7 at 11 a.m., in appreciation of the women of the church who do so much. Come along and bring a friend. Moving forward, this circle of women brunch will be meeting the first Saturday of every month at 11 a.m.