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November 22nd, 2026
26th Sunday After Pentecost

Anthony Alexander B. Mus	Music Facilitator
Shawn Pearce-Chambers	Lay Leader
Mary Bellinger	Song Leader

*Indicates those who are able to please stand

WE GATHER TOGETHER

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF SALVATION

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE)

One: Almighty God is the first and the last, our beginning and our end.

Many: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord our God, who was and is and is to come.

All: Blessing and honour, glory and majesty be to our God, now and evermore. Amen.

*CHORAL INTROIT Spirit, Spirit Of Gentleness VU#375

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free. Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea

PRAYER OF APPROACH (UNISON)

Most holy God, you are known to us as the Almighty, Eternal Ruler and Everlasting. We call you our Shepherd and Guide. We praise you with many names, but you are beyond our imagination, so much greater than our words. We know you in the stories of Jesus, and in him we see your love in action, reaching out to the world. You move in us and through us by your Spirit, drawing us to you, sending us to live out your word. God most holy, Three in One and One in Three, we praise you with our lips and with our lives to offer you honour and love, now and always. Amen.

*HYMN Praise To The Lord, The Almighty VU#220

STORIES FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

God, most merciful, we confess that we have failed to love fully or forgive wholly. You offer us freedom, but we settle for the familiar. You offer us hope, but we prefer knowing what will happen next. Teach us to give up cautious faithfulness, so that we can offer you our whole lives, and commit to following Jesus into the future you are creating.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ANTHEM

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF UNDERSTANDING (UNISON)

God of mystery and majesty, your thoughts are not our thoughts; your ways are not our ways. Send us your Holy Spirit, speaking through the Scriptures, so that our thoughts and ways may be transformed as we encounter your Living Word, in Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Judges 4:14-23 (NRSV)

SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 1:27-29 NIV (NRSV)

MESSAGE "When Courage Becomes Contagious"

*HYMN O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee VU#560

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY Take My Life And Let It Be VU#506

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN Christ Is Alive VU#158

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BLESSING Go Now In Peace (Besig)

POSTLUDE