CHURCH OF THE
**GOOD SHEPHERD**
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**11/01/26**

**11:00am**

# THY kingdom come
# THY will BE done

MATTHEW 6:10



***No matter where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.***

***November 01, 2026***

Worship Leader: **Susan MacKenzie**

*Today is All Saints Sunday, a time when we remember and give thanks for those who have gone before us. You are invited to light a candle along the west wall in memory of someone you love.*

**WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: We gather today with those who have gone before us, trusting God's kin-dom is nearer than we imagine.

**Many: May God's will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.**

One: We ask that God bless our walk of life and faith, as we seek to bring a little bit of heaven to hearth.

**Many: We bring heaven closer when love takes root, justice grows, and neighbors walk together.**

One: Shawn taught us, "If it ain't love, it ain't God."

**Many: So with love at the center, let us celebrate God together.**

**HYMN #299 "For All the Saints" 1-3**

**1** For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who to the world their steadfast faith confessed,
your name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**2** You were their rock, their refuge, and their might;
you, Christ, the hope that put their fears to flight;
'mid gloom and doubt, you were their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**3** Still may your people, faithful, true, and bold,
live as the saints who nobly fought of old.
and share with them a glorious crown of gold.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**OPENING REFLECTION**.....

***"Swing Low, Sweet Chariot with I Want Jesus to Walk with Me, Traditional American Spiritual, arr. by Mary McDonald . Dorenda Morse, piano***

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**.....

**PRAYER**.....

**A TIME FOR ALL AGES**.....

**HYMN #476 How Can I Keep from Singing 1,2,4**

**1** My life flows on in endless song,
above earth's lamentation.
I hear the sweet, though far-off hymn
that hails a new creation.

Through all the tumult and the strife
I hear the music ringing:
It finds an echo in my soul—
How can I keep from singing?

**2** What though my joys and comforts die?
My Savior still is living
What though the shadows gather 'round?
A new song Christ is giving.

No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Love commands both heav'n and earth,
how can I keep from singing?

**4** I lift my eyes, the cloud grows thin;
I see the blue above it;
And day by day this pathway smooths,
Since first I learned to love it.

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
A fountain ever springing;
All things are mine since I am Christ's
How can I keep from singing.

**SCRIPTURE**

**Matthew 6:9-13, King James Version**

**9** After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

**10** Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

**11** Give us this day our daily bread.

**12** And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

**13** And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

**Mateo 6:9-13, Reina-Valera 1960**

**9** Vosotros, pues, oraréis así: Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre.

**10** Venga tu reino. Hágase tu voluntad, como en el cielo, así también en la tierra.

**11** El pan nuestro de cada día, dánoslo hoy.

**12** Y perdónanos nuestras deudas, como también nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores.

**13** Y no nos metas en tentación, mas líbranos del mal; porque tuyo es el reino, y el poder, y la gloria, por todos los siglos. Amén.

**SERMON**.....**Dr. Ambre Dromgoole.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**.....

**PRAYER OF JESUS**
Life Giver, Who is in Heaven,
Holy be Your name,
Your Kin(g)dom come,
Your will be done,
On Earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And do not lead us into temptation,
But deliver us from evil,
For yours is the Kin(g)dom and the
Power and the glory,
Now and forever, Amen.

***SHARING OUR GIFTS***.....

**OFFERTORY**.....
***"When We All Get to Heaven," by Emily D. Wilson, arr. By Jolene Boyd. Dorenda Morse, piano***

**DOXOLOGY**
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts.
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts.
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**.....

**COMMUNION HYMN #547 Amazing Grace 1-5**

**1** Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

**2** 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

**3 [LOW VOICES]** Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

**4 [HIGH VOICES]** My God has promised good to me,
whose word my hope secures;
God will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

**5 [ALL]** When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

**COMMUNION**.....

**"Sweet Hour of Prayer," by William B. Bradbury Dorenda Morse, piano**

**LIFE OF OUR COMMUNITY**.....

**CLOSING REFLECTION**.....

**"You Do Not Walk Alone" by Elaine Hagenberg. Chancel Choir**

**TEXT:**

***May you see God's light on the path ahead when the road you walk is dark.***
***May you always hear even in your hour of sorrow, the gentle singing of the lark. When times are hard may hardness never turn your heart to stone.***
***May you always remember when the shadows fall–***
***You do not walk alone. - Traditional Irish Blessing.***

**BENEDICTION**.....

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# Welcome!

Thank you for joining us in worship today

***We are delighted to have you worshiping with us today!***

***Church of the Good Shepherd, UCC is a dynamic congregation with a rich history and vibrant ministry in the community. Our church is a part of a blend of five major Protestant denominations that united together in 1957 to form the United Church of Christ: Congregational, Christian, Afro-Christian, German Evangelical and Reformed. We celebrate the words of Pastor John Robinson, who in his farewell remarks to the Pilgrims as they were leaving for the "new world," said, "There is still more light and truth to break forth from God's holy word." We say at our church that "God is still speaking!" "There is still more light and truth to break forth from God's holy word."***

- We are a church that:
  - Centers our faith and practice in the life and ministry Jesus Christ.
  - Takes the Bible seriously, not literally.
  - Builds community partnerships across differences.
  - Worships God with joyful hearts and open minds.
  - Includes children in the life and ministry of the church.
  - Celebrates creativity and the arts.
  - Encounters Christ in Creation, community, sacraments, music, scripture, and service.
  - Listens and responds to the movement of the Holy Spirit.
  - Celebrates an open table and seeks to be inclusive of ALL people.
  - Seeks to live out our faith in the world as we build God's reign of love and justice on earth.
  - Believes that growth in wisdom and understanding happens at all stages of life.
  - Embraces solidarity, not just charity.
  - Is committed to work for justice for all people and for the environment.
  - Cares for one another, laughs easily, and rests in God's love.

## Vision Statement

**Church of the Good Shepherd desires to be an inclusive community that shares Divine love as a path to peace and justice in the world.**

## Mission Statement

**The mission of Church of the Good Shepherd is to build a just world through community one life at a time.**

***An Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ***

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