

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Coronet Voluntary in G”

WILLIAM WALAND
BELINDA VAIR

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- + Our **Mission of the Month** is for the distribution of **Thanksgiving Meals**.
- + Bible Study continues on **Thursday, October 22 at 4:00**. We will study the **Gospel of Luke** chapters 12 - 15.
- + We will be hosting a **Medicare Educational Seminar** sponsored by the INL Solutions Group, on **Friday, October 28 at 4:00 PM**.
- + **Free Community Lunch** will be **Saturday, October 31, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM**.
- + We are co-hosting the Family Fun Harvest Festival with Fidelis Care on **Saturday, October 31 from 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM**. Please stop in to see the participating agencies and support the church!.
- + We are celebrating our **Fall Harvest Fest** immediately after the service on **October 25**. Food and goodies will be provided by the Deacons.
- + We will be holding our **Annual Election Day Spaghetti Supper** on **November 3**. Please see Ron Chizek for tickets.
- + Thank you to **session** for providing us with this morning’s coffee hour.

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WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:30 AM



OCTOBER 18, 2026



SERVING AT THE CARE SHELF

SUE PECK & CRAIG TALARICO

PRELUDE “SONATA IN C”
andante

W.A MOZART
BELINDA VAIR

CHORAL INTROIT

Ken Killian, Pastor
Craig Talarico, Clerk of Session
Dawn Austin, Office Administrator

Belinda Vair, Music Director
Jim Wright, Custodian

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR SPIRIT)

Leader: God has given each of us gifts to share.

People: We come ready to offer what we have received.

Leader: God calls us to feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, and care for our neighbors.

People: We come ready to see the faces behind the needs.

Leader: God’s grace is made visible through acts of compassion, generosity, and love.

People: We come ready to serve one another as faithful stewards of that grace.

Leader: Come, let us worship the God who gives us gifts and sends us out to use them.

All: Let us worship God with grateful hearts and willing hands. Amen

***OPENING HYMN** #462 “I Love To Tell the Story”

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: Gracious God, you have given us more than we often recognize—time, abilities, resources, compassion, and opportunities to serve.

Yet we confess that we sometimes hold back, look away, or assume someone else will answer the need. Forgive us when we fail to see the faces of our neighbors, when we treat ministry as someone else’s responsibility, or when we forget that your grace has been entrusted to us for the good of others.

Open our eyes, soften our hearts, and help us use what you have given us with generosity, humility, and love. Amen.

Leader: Let us take a moment for silent confession and personal reflection.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

World without end, amen! Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

CRAIG TALARICO

Leader: Gracious God,

Open our hearts and minds to your Word through the power of your Holy Spirit. Give us grace to receive all that you have to say and courage to respond in faith. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

CRAIG TALARICO

Psalms 103 (Pew Bible Page #554)

Romans 12:1-13 (Pew Bible Page #161)

Leader: This is the word of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM “The Joy of the Lord Lives in Me”

P. MOCK/D. NOLAN

SERMON “Every Ministry Has a Face”

REV. DAVID BENNETT

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy 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 lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** #465 “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION