

October 25, 2026 9:30 a.m.

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Joys and Concerns — Rev. Sharla Hulsey

To respect privacy, joys and concerns will be discussed before the public livestream. If you need to add someone, please fill out a prayer request form and place in the offering tray as it is passed.

Welcome and Announcements — Phyllis McBrayer, Elder

If you are joining Sunday worship via Facebook Live, let us know you are tuning in by leaving a comment on the live stream video.

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Prelude — Mary Coffman

Bringing the Light of Christ into the Sanctuary

Introit — Mary Coffman & Choir

"Here We Gather as God's People" — CH #294

*Call to Worship *(please rise as able)* — Phyllis McBrayer & Congregation

L: Let our prayer arise before you, O God.
P: May your grace descend upon the world.
L: Accept our prayers, with those of all your people.
P: Send your Spirit to renew the face of the earth.
L: Give to us, God, eyes for seeing.
P: Give to us ears to hear your Word,
and hearts ready to live by that same Word.

*Opening Hymn — CH #86 (all)

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

*Invocation — Phyllis McBrayer & Congregation

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Hymn — CH #595 (vv. 1, 3, 4)

"Be Thou My Vision"

*Please rise as able

Silent Meditation

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer — Sharla Hulsey

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. Amen.

Musical Interlude — Mary Coffman

Responsive Reading — Phyllis McBrayer & Congregation

Psalm 51:1-4, 7, 9 (JPS Translation)

L: Have mercy upon me, O God,
as befits Your faithfulness;
P: in keeping with Your abundant compassion,
blot out my transgressions.
L: Wash me thoroughly of my iniquity,
and purify me of my sin;
P: for I recognize my transgressions,
and am ever conscious of my sin.
L: Against You alone have I sinned,
and done what is evil in Your sight;
P: so You are just in Your sentence,
and right in Your judgment.
L: Purge me with hyssop till I am pure;
wash me till I am whiter than snow.
P: Hide Your face from my sins;
blot out all my iniquities.

Special Music — FCC Choir

"Come to Me and Rest" - arranged by Lloyd Larson

Scripture — Carol Hedrick

2 Samuel 11:1-5, 26-27; 12:1-9

Message — Sharla Hulsey

"A Man After God's Own Heart?!"

Invitation to Discipleship — Sharla Hulsey

*Invitation Hymn — CH #588 (vv. 1, 3, 4)

"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

*Please rise as able

Musical Interlude — Mary Coffman

Offering Meditation — Diana Rich

Tithes & Offerings — Diaconate

Offering trays will be passed in the pews.

*Doxology — CH #47

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

*Prayer of Dedication — Phyllis McBrayer

Call to Communion — Sharla Hulsey

Communion Hymn — CH #408 (all)

"Come, Share the Lord"

Words of Institution — Sharla Hulsey

Communion Prayer — Phyllis McBrayer

Distribution of the Elements — Diaconate

Everyone is welcome at Christ's Table. Those who are comfortable doing so, please come forward down the center aisle to partake at the table. Deacons will serve those who remain seated.

We Depart to Serve

*Benediction — Sharla Hulsey

Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Closing Hymn — CH #431 (v. 1)

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

**Please rise as able*

Serving Today

Preaching: Rev. Sharla Hulsey
Elder: Phyllis McBrayer **Deacons:** Gary Coffman & Judy Colburn
Greeter: Carol Hedrick **Scripture Reader:** Carol Hedrick
Choir Director: Carol Ann Winburn **Accompanist:** Mary Coffman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- November Outreach Mission -Throughout November, we will be collecting **40 five-pound bags of white potatoes and 100 pounds of sweet potatoes** to support the Bates County Thanksgiving Meal Ministry. Your donations will help provide free Thanksgiving meals to families throughout our community. Please bring donations to the church during the month of November. Thank you for helping us share God's love with our neighbors.
- All Saints Day - We will observe All Saints on *Sunday, November 1*. The office has compiled a list of names to be commemorated. If there is a name you would like included, please contact the office or complete a prayer request slip.
- Daylight Savings Time ends - *Sunday, November 1*

This Week's Events

▪ Sunday, October 25:	9:30 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Life Group
	6 pm	Youth Group
▪ Wednesday, October 28:	6 pm	Choir Practice

Next Week's Events

▪ Sunday, November 1:	9:30 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Life Group
	6 pm	Youth Group
▪ Wednesday, November 4:	6 pm	Choir Practice