

26<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
November 17, 2024 – 10 a.m.

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC** Alpha Brass  
"Goldcrest" James Anderson

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
Our lives praise God when we are:  
**Living our Faith, Nurturing Families, Serving our Communities.**

**\*GREETING**

**MUSIC FOR GATHERING** Alpha Brass  
"Consecration" Brian Bowen

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev. Boruff  
ONE: Lift praises to the name of our God; bless God's name forever!  
**ALL: How great is our God!**  
ONE: From generation to generation we will sing your praises and speak of your goodness!  
**ALL: Great is our God and worthy of praise!**  
ONE: God, you are just and kind in all you do.  
**ALL: God, you watch over us in love. How great is our God!**

**\*HYMN** "How Great Thou Art" #77  
1. O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der  
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the roll-ing thun-der,  
Thy pow-er through-out the uni-verse dis-played:  
Refrain:  
Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to thee:  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to thee:  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
3. And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
That on the cross, my bur-den glad-ly bear-ing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin. (Refrain)

**OFFERING TO GOD**  
**GOD AT WORK** Nina Kline  
**OFFERTORY** Alpha Brass  
"From Earth's Confusion" Trevor Davis

**\*DOXOLOGY**  
**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**

**ANTHEM** Alpha Brass  
"The Golden West" Percy Merritt

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** Holly Renz

**LORD'S PRAYER** (unison)  
**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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

**HYMN** "My Hope Is Built" #368  
1. My hope is built on nothing less  
than Jesus' blood and righteousness.  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.  
Refrain:  
On Christ the solid rock I stand,  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.  
2. When Darkness veils his lovely face,  
I rest on his unchanging grace.  
In every high and stormy gale,  
my anchor holds within the veil. (Refrain)

**OLD TESTAMENT** Holly Renz  
Jeremiah 1:4-12 (NLT)  
<sup>4</sup>The LORD gave me this message: <sup>5</sup>"I knew you before I formed you in your mother's womb. Before you were born I set you apart and appointed you as my prophet to the nations." <sup>6</sup>"O Sovereign LORD," I said, "I can't speak for you! I'm too young!" <sup>7</sup>The LORD replied, "Don't say, 'I'm too young,' for you must go wherever I send you and say whatever I tell you. <sup>8</sup>And don't be afraid of the people, for I will be with you and will protect you. I, the Lord, have spoken!" <sup>9</sup>Then the Lord reached out and touched my mouth and said, "Look, I have put my words in your mouth! <sup>10</sup>Today I appoint you to stand up against nations and kingdoms. Some you must uproot and tear down, destroy and overthrow. Others you must build up and plant." <sup>11</sup>Then the LORD said to me, "Look, Jeremiah! What do you see?" And I replied, "I see a branch from an almond tree." <sup>12</sup>And the LORD said, "That's right, and it means that I am watching, and I will certainly carry out all my plans."

This is God's Word for God's people today.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON** Purpose, Power, Presence  
Rev. Boruff

**HYMN** "Rise Up, People of God" #576  
1. Rise up, People of God! Have done with lesser things.  
Give heart and mind and soul and strength  
to serve the King of kings.  
3. Rise up, People of God! The church for you doth wait,  
her strength unequal to her task;  
rise up, and make her great!  
4. Lift high the cross of Christ!  
Tread where his feet have trod.  
As Family of the Son of Man, rise up, People of God!

**BENEDICTION**

**MUSIC FOR SENDING** Alpha Brass  
"The Lord Bless Thee and Keep Thee" arr. William Himes

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

**THANK YOU**  
for assisting in worship!  
Worship Leader: Holly Renz & Nina Kline  
Music: Alpha Brass  
Sound Tech: Jim Hudson  
Visual Tech: Matt Stout

# WELCOME

Welcome to worship on Sundays and all programs & ministries throughout the week!

## Announcements

- **GUESTS:** Welcome! There is a gift bag for you at the Welcome Center. Glad you joined us and hope you will come again!
- **FOOD @ FIRST:** 88 guests were served last Sunday. It was a blessing to serve the community.
- **BATH TOWEL COLLECTION:** Bath Towels will be collected this month (Nov.). Towels will be dedicated during worship on Nov. 24 and then distributed to St. Vincent De Paul, Anderson. In past years blankets were collected, but there are plenty of blankets ready for distribution.
- **KEEP MINISTRY ALIVE IN 2025!** Your financial gifts make ministry happen. Cards are available at the Welcome Center and in the church office. Thank you for giving to God!
- **CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS:** Decorating the church will occur Nov. 25-27. Contact Debbie Millikan to volunteer (765-621-6620).
- **ADVENT STUDY:** "On the Way to Bethlehem" on Mondays at 6 p.m. in N.S. Parlor beginning Nov. 25. Childcare available! All welcome!
- **GATEWAY CHRISTMAS:** Give the gift of Christmas to a Gateway Child by taking a pre-addressed envelope, placing your donation inside and mailing it to Gateway by 12/2/24. Please give what it would cost to purchase for a child.
- **POINSETTIAS:** Purchase poinsettia in honor or memory of loved ones by Dec. 15. Cost is \$15. Forms are available at the Welcome Center.

We give thanks for today's:  
**Ushers:** Dick Falkenberry, Bonnie Belangee, Ryan Falkenberry, Jeff Dyer  
**Greeters:** David Crane, Pat Walker  
**Fellowship Time:**

# Weekly Schedule

Sun 11/17			
9:00 am	Trustees' meeting	Conference Room	Downtown
10:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary	Downtown
11:15 am	YA Gathering	Youth Area	Downtown
11:15 am	Family Ministries Meeting	Conference Room	Downtown
2:00 pm	Worship		Primrose
4:30 pm	Community Cafe		Downtown
Mon 11/18			
4:00 pm	Grant Committee Meeting	Conference Room	Downtown
5:00 pm	Exercise Class		Davis Park
6:00 pm	AA Big Book Study	East/West	Downtown
Tues 11/19			
9:00 am	Tuesday Sew Day	Fellowship Hall	Downtown
10:00 am	Staff Meeting	Conference Room	Downtown
4:00 pm	AACC Rehearsals		Downtown
5:30 pm	Gateway Board Meeting	East/West Parlor	Downtown
6:30 pm	Girl Scouts	Fellowship Hall	Downtown
Wed 11/20			
8:00 am	Rotary	North/South	Downtown
3:00 pm	Coffee with Corinne		Facebook
5:00 pm	Exercise Class		Davis Park
6:00 pm	First Kids		Downtown
6:00 pm	Wesley Bells	Bell Room	Downtown
6:20 pm	Children's Choir		Downtown
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir	Choir Room	Downtown
Thurs 11/21			
Fri 11/22			
9:00 am	Friday Bible Study	North/South Parlor	Downtown
12:00 pm	Downtown Devotion		Facebook
Sat 11/23			
10:00 am	AA Meeting	North/South Parlor	Downtown
Sun 11/24			
10:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary	Downtown
11:15 am	Youth Group	Youth Area	Downtown
2:00 pm	Worship		Primrose
4:30 pm	Food @ First		Downtown



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Director of Family Ministries: Ally Hall  
Ministers: Congregation