Prayer Requests

Joys: Week of 10-18-26 – We are so grateful to hear that Kathy's stepdaughter's mom has been declared "Cancer Free"! Thank You Lord for the season of Fall! Thank You, Lord for every drop of rain we have been given, and we are ready for more rain as You will provide!

Concerns: Week of 18-18-2026 – Donn & Louise's daughter, Jill; - for those who lost their lives in Bend, OR; - Connie in (OR); -John (TX); - Bobbi Holmes;- Ray Millenbaugh; - Kathleen Puntar's friend, Glenna; - Ron & Karen Rezny; - friends: Patti, Lauren, Luanne, Jen, Pat & Pam; -Janice Slater's friend Lynn & son, Jeff: - Pacie & Trayton.

Ongoing prayers: Doug & Carolyn Drake; Laura Holloman; Pat Howard & her daughter, Erin; Dave & Vicki Hunt; Mary Kristensen; Rev. Steve & Pam McNeal Laue; Gerald & Sharon Marchant; Tom & Donna Masterson; Maury & Rozanne Malaise; Kim & Judy Riddlesworth; Roy & Margaret Sims; Arline Slocumb; Madonna & Sidney Thomas' son, Sidney Michael; Nella Tjeerdsma's friend, Peggy; Faye West; Larry West;. Joanne Cox Croft & Ron Croft.

Prayers for Friends and Family: Jo & Flynn Fuller's grandson, Wesam; David Hoffman's brother, Chris (CA); Kendra Hoffman's nephew, Jordan (WI); Richard Holdsworth's sister, Virginia (age 95 in NY); Pat Howard's granddaughter, Caitlin's friend Savannah (NE); Jacque Laats' niece, Jaxon & Kurt (in AK); Norma Lombardi's sister, Antoinette (age 100 in NY); Jan Mills' sister, Greta (age 96 in MO); Jan Mills' niece, Lettie (in MO); Andrea Muzzarelli's daughter, Heather (in IL); Kathy N's mom's best friend, Juanetta (age 101 – in TX); Leslie Oredson's father, Robert (age 97 - in MN); Faye West's brother & s-i-l, Ray & Lonnie West in Hospice (in MN).

For Family and Loved Ones of the Following People Who Died: Kelly Quinn (10-28-25); Donna Doede (10-29-25); Norma Lawson (12-15-25); Juanita Howard (12-27-25); Joanne Wilson (12-27-25); Terri Nekvinda (12-30-25); Raymond Drake (1-3-26); Thelma Rush (3-13-26); Darlene McSparran (3-13-26); Gladys Kelley (3-27-26); Tony Kalinski (4-2-26); Elaine Cooper (4-22-26); Dave Hoffman (4-24-26); Mona Parmar (5-8-26); Ed Rockwell (6-12-26); Frank Castle (8-2-26); Robert (Bob) Davis (9-2-26); Emily Cox (10-13-26).

Prayer for Healthy Churches to make a Healthy World:
The leaves don't just change; they let go. The light doesn't just soften; it retreats earlier each day. We are looking forward to celebrating Halloween and All Saints Day. We gather for Thanksgiving to spend time with friends and loved ones and extended family. May we see changes in the season as we gather and share in the work that will bring peace and comfort to our lives. Perhaps a chapter in your life is closing or a plan you had high hopes for is no longer possible. Maybe there's a grief you are still learning to carry. We have many programs that will help bring comfort and healing care. That's the invitation of autumn prayer: to trust that letting go is not the same as losing. Autumn teaches us year after year that intimacy with God is most often found not in holding on but in opening our hands to God's Will. Psalm 55:22 – "Cast your burden upon the Lord and He will sustain you; He will never allow the righteous to be shaken."

Our Military in Service: **(** = serving overseas)**
Air Force: SSgt. Kathryn Jones, TSgt. Kyler Sengsavath **
ANG: A1C Morgan Ailslieger, TSgt. Malika Sengsavath
Army: Spec. Matthew Farris**, WO2 Wesley Meadows **
Marines: Cpl. Trayton Stewart
Navy: E-5 Nicholas Rinker, ATC Echo Smith, Lt. Nav03 Karl Kristensen



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Service of Scripture, Prayer and Music

October 25, 2026, 10:30 am

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude "Open the Eyes of My Heart" Paul Baloche

Welcome/Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We live in a world that entices us with influence, power, and accolades.

People: We choose to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call.

Leader: Sometimes we find ourselves wishing for heaven without working to bring heaven to earth.

People: We choose to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call to live righteously here and now.

Leader: Other times, we find ourselves exhausted by working for the gospel, wondering if anything we do is making a difference.

People: We remind one another to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call, leaning on Christ as the source of our perseverance and hope.

Leader: Beloved, God calls us not to escape this world but to build the kingdom of God in this place and in this time.

People: We choose to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call to embody God's mercy and justice as we build God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2026.

***Opening Hymn** Be Thou My Vision UMH 451

Offering

Offertory "Surely, He Has Borne Our Sorrows" Heather Sorenson

***Doxology** Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow UMH 94

***Offertory Prayer**

Children's Message

Good News

Scripture Luke 10:38-42 Flynn Fuller

Song of Praise Open the Eyes of My Heart Paul Baloche

Sermon A Communication Case Study: Mary and Martha
Pastor Misty Howick

Call To Prayer Here I Am, Lord UMH 593

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

***Closing Hymn** Spirit of the Living God UMH 393 x2

***Benediction**

***Postlude** "He Is Exalted" Twila Paris
arr. Mark Hayes

***Please stand as you are able**

Worship Service and Music

Rev. Misty Howick Pastor	Jeffrey Conger, Sue Wilson, Scott South & Joanne Croft – Praise Team	Chaplain Kathy Norris Pastoral Assistant
Jeffrey Conger Director of Music	Randy Wilson Audio/Visual Manager	Alex Lunardi Accompanist