

20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2026~ 10:30 a.m.

Welcome All!

*We are pleased that you are worshipping with us either
On YouTube Live or in the Sanctuary.*

*Congregation, please stand if able

PRELUDE

Tom Hoehn

Point to Ponder: Life's real "crown of joy" is a life rich and deep in personal relationships.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Vernon Phillips

Leader: This week, we have fallen short of that which God has called us to be.

People: Let worship renew and set our minds on heavenly things.

Leader: Do not be anxious about trivial matters.

People: We must be "in" the world, but be "of" it, for our citizenship is in heaven.

Leader: Yes, this is not our permanent home we are just passing through that place Jesus has prepared for us.

ALL: Come near to us, O Lord, that we might bask in the peace that surpasses all understanding, and thus, be an example of the tranquility that comes when all is committed to you in prayer.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

No. 526

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

ANNOUNCEMENT

Rudy Hyde

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

No. 880

"The Nicene Creed"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Leader: O God, how often we forget that to which you have called us. Ensnared by worldly enticements, our spirits become numb to the pulsating richness of life wholly centered in you.

Women: Transform our weary self-centeredness into your greater glory.

Men: Instill in us the vision that lifts our eyes off present struggles that we might once again see the big picture.

Women: Guard our hearts against unforgiving hardness, anxious worries and covetous behavior.

Men: May we reflect but one small fraction of Jesus' glory to a world longing for gentleness, peace and unconditional understanding.

People: Help us Lord and forgive us of our sin.

A moment of silence your personal prayer of confession

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

followed by THE LORD'S PRAYER

YOUR GIVING MAKES A DIFFERENCE

OFFERTORY PRAYER: Steadfast Joy, when “always” feels larger than our capacity, you remain near. In gratitude, we bring these gifts, signs of love learned from you. Quiet our anxious hearts and turn our attention toward what is true, honorable, and worthy of praise. Shape us into a people whose generosity is gentleness. Receive what we place in your hands and let it become courage, welcome, and hope. Guard us with your peace as we press on in Christ. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Tom Hoehn

***DOXOLOGY**

Scripture for October

Joshua 1:9

Be strong & courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

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NEW TESTAMENT

Louise Humble

Philippians 4:1-9

This is the Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Melissa

*"Pressing On Sermon 4 in Series:
The Joy and Crown"*

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPESHIP

You are invited to use the altar to come before God

You might be coming for the first time

or coming to make a deeper commitment to Christ.

All are Welcome for whatever moves you now.

***HYMN OF SENDING FORTH**

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"I Love You, Lord"

***BENEDICTION**

Leader: Beloved, as you go from this place, may the peace of God that surpasses all understanding surround you, centering your minds on whatever is true, honorable, just, pure, pleasing, commendable, excellent, and worthy of praise and empowering you to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

People: We go forth to put into practice all that has been freely given unto us--knowing the God of Peace will be with us always.

Leader: In the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit

People: Submit to God and God will bring the best out of you.

POSTLUDE

Tom Hoehn