

FUMC San Benito 6th Core Belief:
*A church that chooses love over hate; cooperation over competition; grace
over grudges.*

21st Sunday after Pentecost

October 18, 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: Only those who will risk going too far can possibly
find out how far one can go.*

--T.S. Eliot

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Vernon Phillips

Leader: God of wind and fire,

People: When you send your Spirit, we are created anew.

Leader: God of mighty oceans and still waters,

People: When we receive your baptism, we are born anew.

Leader: God of bread and wine,

People: When we eat at your table, we are nourished anew.

Leader: So pour out your Spirit.

People: Let sacred waters flow.

Leader: Fill us with holy food.

**ALL: May our hearts and our hands be open wide to receive
your gifts of life. Amen.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

No. 328

"Surely the Presence of the Lord Is In this Place"

ANNOUNCEMENT

Rudy Hyde

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

No. 880

"The Nicene Creed"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: God of Grace, we know that you have chosen us, but we often forget that you have also chosen others. You call us to be imitators of Christ, yet many times we are imitators of the world. You challenge us to turn from our idols, but we are tempted to turn back to them again and again.

Rescue us, Lord, from ourselves. Show us your way. Guide our every action, that we may live as you call us to live.

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.

HYMN OF PRAYERS

No. 354

"I Surrender All" (verse 1 only)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

followed by THE LORD'S PRAYER

YOUR GIVING MAKES A DIFFERENCE

OFFERTORY PRAYER: As forgiven and reconciled people, let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

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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EPISTLE LESSON

Bill Elliott

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

This is the Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Louise Humble

John 15:26-27; 16:4-15

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THE MESSAGE

Pastor Melissa

“The Holy Spirit Guide Service”

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**

No. 332

“Spirit of Faith, Come Down”

***BENEDICTION**

Leader: As you enter a new week, may we experience God's presence.

People: May we feel God pouring out the Holy Spirit over our heads and our thoughts and the words of our lips, over our hearts and our feelings and emotions and our compassion for all others, and over our hands and our feet.

Leader: During this week, may the grace of the Lord Jesus

Christ, and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us.

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

POSTLUDE

Tom Hoehn