

August 24, 2025 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 AM

\*Those who are able, please stand

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

**WELCOME**

We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today. We hope the service will be a blessing to you. This is the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost. The theme for this week is God's gracious word. Our call to worship reminds us of the power of God's voice, whether God's voice comes as a call to ministry, a promise of salvation or a word of healing. We cry out for deliverance, and at God's command, we are saved. We are following our Lectionary Series as Jesus speaks to us of his gracious love.

Continue our service after church and join everyone for Coffee and Fellowship after Service in Fellowship Hall.

*The flowers on the alter are given by Sandy Maceyka in Memory of her Family*

**Announcements:**

August 25, 2025 - Free Lunch with North Bush and Northville UMC  
Fall Mums Sale - Flyer in Bulletin Today - Final Day to Order August 31, 2025  
Save the Date -Wednesday October 15, 2025..Spaghetti Dinner with Bistro  
\$10.00 - Take Out Only..3:30 to 6:00 PM

**MUSICAL PRELUDE:** "There's Something About That Name" Pianist Mavis Baldwin

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE** (In Unison)

Lord, You know when we struggle to hear your voice, and when we yearn to know your gracious presence. Though we have failed time and time again to be God's people, yet God heals and forgives us. God is with us always, ready to lift and guide our lives. Place your life and your cares in God's loving presence.

**INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

Leader: God has placed his hand on you for healing and restoration.  
People: We place our whole trust in God's mighty compassion for us.  
Leader: Let us celebrate the presence of God here in this place and in all our lives.  
People: We open our hearts to God's incredible love this day.

Leader: Let us praise God who calls us to serve God by helping others.  
People: God is our refuge and our stronghold. Let our lives reflect God's love and mercy.  
Leader: Praise God who encourages us to use our gifts to help others.  
People: Lord, help us to listen to your healing words of love and seek ways of peace that we might truly become your disciples here on earth.

**GATHERING SONG**

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

UMH 172

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** (In Unison) Lord God, whose power and mercy have extended to all ends of creation, pour your love on us this day that we might be healed and be made ready to serve you by serving others in this world that you have created. We thank you for the glorious and wonderful thing you have done in speaking your love to us in and through your Son by your Spirit. Thank you for coming, Jesus, to speak to us of the love you have given to us. AMEN.

**TIME WITH GOD'S CHILDREN**

**SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS** (Prayer request forms are available at the back of the sanctuary)

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

UMH 328

**GIVING OF OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

"He Touched Me"

Chancel Choir (UMH 367)

**DOXOLOGY**

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 95

**UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING**

Unshakable and Holy God, we bring these gifts before you today, not as mere offerings, but as acts of faith in your unshakable kingdom. Though the world around us trembles, we trust in your steadfast love, knowing that in Christ, we are welcomed, transformed, and sent forth to serve. Bless these gifts, that they may be used to build your justice and mercy, bringing hope to the broken and light to the weary in our Community as well as the World. With grateful hearts, we offer ourselves alongside these gifts, that we may be signs of your grace given by us to the world. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

**SONG OF COMMITMENT**      “Have Thine Own Way, Lord”      UMH 382

**PSALTER READING**      Psalm 71      UMH 794

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**      The Apostle’s Creed      UMH 881

**GLORIA PATRI** *(We use this ancient response to praise God for the Bible)*      UMH 70

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**      Gospel of Luke 13:10-17

**SHARING THE STORY**      “Jesus Heals the Sick”      Pastor Joyce Royal

**SENDING SONG**      “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”      UMH 384

**THE SENDING FORTH**

Lord, this day you have healed us and restored us. You have given us new strength and courage to serve you in this world. Now we go in peace and confidence, ready to be your people in all places and at all times. Praise be to you, Mighty God of love and mercy! Remind us to go forth into God's world to serve in ministries of justice, kindness and peace. Help us to know that God's peace is with us each and every day. Amen

**MUSICAL POSTLUDE**      “Amazing Grace”      Pianist Mavis Baldwin

**Lectionary Reader**      - Jackie Capasso

Prayer List: The family of Raymond Follett, Rev Audie Miller, Members of Bleecker and Ft Plain UMC, Families of those lost in the Texas Flooding. Mike Frederick, The Baldwin Family, Nick Orlosky, Doug Topliff, Carol Johnson, Calae Bonfey, Ivy Patterson, Don Williams and Jack and Diane Sanford.

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*Welcome to Worship*

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We Scatter to Serve

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