



ORDER OF SERVICE October 3, 2026

PRELUDE

Come, Christians, Join to Sing by Christian Henry Bateman

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Rob Watkins

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mike Rodden

Leader	God quickens the heart of the faithful
People	God fires a passion within us for righteousness
Leader	God seeks mercy, grace, and compassion
People	God loves these more than rites and ritual
Leader	Worship God with an open heart
People	We open ourselves to the presence of the Living God

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Now Thank We All Our God
Kristin Reyes and David Barnaba, duet

Johann Cruger
Arr. Victor Labenske

CALL TO CONFESSON

SILENT CONFESSON

PRAYER OF CONFESSON

O Lord

We confess how often we are distracted and preoccupied when we come together
We confess how often we turn a blind eye to the needs of other around us
We confess how much we want to be noticed by you despite our distraction

O Lord

Help us, heal us, and hold us
Awaken us to grace that flows so freely from you
May we share that grace with one another in words and deeds
Come, Lord Jesus
Amen

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Andrea Thomas

OFFERING including Offertory Prayer

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 7:13,14, 21-27

SERMON A Matter of Heart

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving & the Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread & Cup

Prayer

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Oceans
Caitlin Holt, solo

Crocker/Houston

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Like a River Glorious

arr. Tornquist

Acolyte Schedule: **October 3 Ruby Wallace** **October 10 Anye Ndingwan**

Nursery Workers: **October 3 Maria Menconi & Marti McCoy**
October 10 Barbara Oehler & Ruby Wallace

PRAYER LIST

Elizabeth King	Ann Brown	Kenneth Helms	Bernice Martin
Warner Marshall	Joann Reid	Barbara Krady	David Stephens
Ronald Stephens, husband of Priscilla		Holly Diggs, niece of Doris DeArmon	
Caroline Williams	Tom Rhodes	Bonnie Hodges	Sylvia Buchanan
J.C. Plott, brother in law of Donna Seaford		Nancy Holland	Carolyn Sheehan
Winston Haney, cousin of Teri Garrison		Michael Doering, son in law of Jimmy & Janet Hunter	
Kathy Robinson	Shirley Hunter	Kirk & Betsy Killian	Sylvia Buchanan
Zak Armistead & Brandi Wayman		Kaycee Walker, niece of Carey & Greg Armistead	
Lynn Kelley	Owen Carriker	Matthew Hinson, nephew of Perry Deaton	
Sarah Alexander	Dale McLaughlin	Anne Foust	Barbara Cottrell
Charlotte & David Maggard, sister of Kim Helms		Cathee Griffin, sister of Kim Helms	
Libby Carroll, sister of Linda Killian		Pam McMahon, cousin of Linda Wallace	
JW Avant	Frances Christenbury	Nancy Seaford	