# NOVEMBER 22, 2026

PRELUDE
WELCOME AND SHARING OF NEWS
CALL TO WORSHIP: *"Enter Into His Gates with Thanksgiving"*
INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER
+ HYMN OF PRAISE: (Green) No. 387
*"We Gather Together"*
APOSTLES' CREED:
**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen**
GLORIA PATRI
CHOIR ANTHEM: *"The Way We Love"*
OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 95
PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE
*"Lord, Hear Our Prayer"*
TITHES AND OFFERINGS
DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION
+ HYMN OF PREPARATION (Green) No. 392
*"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"*
NEW TESTAMENT READING: Ephesians 1:15-23
**SERMON: *"Never Stop Giving Thanks!"* Lee Thomas**
+ HYMN OF RESPONSE: (Green) No. 394
*"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"*
BENEDICTION
CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *Alleluia"*
POSTLUDE

**+ CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO STAND**

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11:00 A.M Sunday School
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**THURSDAY:**
6:00 P.M. Choir rehearsal

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