

Worship for October 26, 2025

HUMBLE Faith



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We Offer Ourselves in Worship

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Word Of Welcome

Announcements

Centering Time (Prepare Your Heart & Mind for Worship)

Responsive Call to Worship (Unison)

Leader: From the east and from the west, we come to praise God!

People: Today we celebrate the ways God is at work in our world.

Leader: From the fields ready for harvest to the majesty of the mountains,

People: from the abundance of gentle rains to the blazing color of fall leaves

Leader: God crowns the year with good blessings!

People: And today we gather to praise God, Creator and Sustainer of life!

OPENING PRAYER

Lord our God,
You yourself remind us through Your holy people
that all our religious practices,
even the eucharistic sacrifice,
are not worth anything
if we use them to bend You our way.
God, may we come to You
in humility and repentance,
ready to encounter You in love
and to turn toward You.
Accept us as Your sons and daughters,
together with Jesus Christ,
your Son and our Lord for ever

"Come, Christians Join to Sing"

UMH #158

Sharing of The Peace: *We greet those around us with a sign of peace (handshakes or hugs) and words like "The peace of the Lord be with you".*

Pastoral Welcome & Prayer

"Be Thou My Vision"

UMH #451

Scripture Reading

Luke 18:9-14 (NRSV)

⁹ He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰ "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' ¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other, for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

Leader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Children are dismissed to "Godly Play" at this time)

Message:

Pastor Pablo R. Vargas: “The

Sermon Notes (Write Your Notes on the Sermon):

"Savior like a Shepherd Lead Us"

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INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS & SERVICE (Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, and Witness)

We commit our time, talent, treasure, willingness to serve and gift of witness out into the world as we bring our offerings.

***Doxology**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

Loving God, we offer you the gift of our lives, recognizing all you provide for each of us. Please receive the symbols of each of our lives presented in this offering. And accept, as well, the good intentions of our hearts and minds as we offer you our time and talent, that we might live in gratitude rather than in fear. AMEN

Closing Hymn

"Lord of Dance"

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Benediction

Stay Afterwards for Coffee Hour