

Sunday, September 13, 2026

Welcome *Pastor Adam will give announcements and welcome*

****Call to Worship** (*Worship Leader read Leader and with People*)

****Good morning, I am Barb Perry, and will be serving as Worship Leader today. Would you please stand as you are comfortable and able to join me in the responsive Call to Worship?**

L. Listen! God is welcoming us to this time of worship. Young and old, rich and poor, all are welcomed.

P. This is a place where all belong. This is a time when all are accountable to God.

L. The Maker of all seeks our common good. The God of Mercy calls on us to be merciful.

P. We are not judges over our sisters and brothers. We are called to love our neighbors as ourselves.

L. Come to sing praises and put your trust in God. Come to prepare yourself to serve in Christ's name.

P. We bring all our needs to God, our hope. We want to share faith and hope with others.

****Will you join us in our opening song, "Where Charity and Love Prevail", hymn #549, and the words will be on the screen.**

****Would you join with me in our Opening Prayer?**

Author of all humankind, come to lift us up to our full humanity as we worship you in this hour. You surround us on every side and are acquainted with all our ways. You know our shallow motives and our deepest thoughts. You are aware of the distinctions we make and the favoritism we express. Yet you welcome us, not as strangers but as

heralds of your reign. We want to worship you and to represent you well. Come among us now with your transforming power. Amen.

Children's Time

Community Notes

Prayers, the Lord's Prayer and Offering of Gifts

(Pastor Adam will first do the prayers, Worship leader will read Offering Invitation & prayer)

****Invitation:** Hear again the proverb: "Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor." What a joy we can know when our thankfulness exceeds our acquisitiveness, and our concern for others outweighs our greed! We are invited to share what we have received.

****Will you pray with me?** We give because you have been generous to us, gracious God. We give because we need to give in order to realize your image within us. We give to feed the hungers of body and soul that are all around us and deep within. May the ministries of this church meet the needs of our members, our community, and our world. Help us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

Praise Song *"Love Lifted Me"* -Praise Team

****Scripture Reading** Psalm 136:1-9 CEB

Give thanks to the Lord because he is good. God's faithful love lasts forever! Give thanks to the God of all gods, God's faithful love lasts forever. Give thanks to the Lord of all lords, God's faithful love lasts forever. Give thanks to the only one who makes great wonders, God's faithful love lasts forever. Give thanks to the one who made the skies with skill, God's faithful love lasts forever. Give thanks to the one who shaped the earth on the water, God's faithful love lasts forever. Give thanks to the one who made the great lights, God's

faithful love lasts forever. The sun to rule the day, God's faithful love lasts forever. The moon and the stars to rule the night, God's faithful love lasts forever!

This is the word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God!

Message 1 John 4:12-21 Pastor Adam Woods

Closing Song "O How I Love Jesus" Hymn #170

Blessing for the Week

Choral Benediction

Led by Love pages 136 and 137