



They committed themselves to the teaching of the Apostles, the life together, the common meal, and the prayers. Everyone Around was in awe – All those wonders and signs done through the apostles! And all the believers lived in a wonderful harmony, holding everything in common.

ACTS 2:42-45 (THE MESSAGE)

Communion Sunday and All Saints' Day November 2, 2025

All of God's children are welcome, including their wiggles and giggles! Please be seated, silence all devices, and quiet yourself for worship.

♦ PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR SPIRIT

Prelude Mary Dailey

PRELUDE HYMN 325 (vs. 1 & 5) By All Your Saints Still Striving Congregation

~~~ GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE ~~~

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Murray

◆ Sharing the Peace of Christ

The Peace of Christ be with you! And also with you!

♦ Call to Worship Bill F

How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

We gather as those joined by the Spirit, sharing one faith, one Lord, one baptism.

The first disciples devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

We come to learn, to worship, to pray, and to share life together in Christ. Come, let us worship the God who gathers us into one body.

Let us worship God with joy and thanksgiving!

♦ HYMN 172 (vs. 1-4) Blest Are They Congregation

Children are invited forward as we sing the final verse

CHILDREN'S SERMON Pastor Winslow

~~~ LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD ~~~

MINISTRY OF MUSIC All Are Welcome at the Table Chancel Choir

Prayer for Illumination Bill F

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 2:42-47 (The Message)

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession (we begin in silent confession and then pray together)

Gracious God, you created us to live in community, to bear one another's burdens, and to share in one another's joys. Yet we confess that we have lived for ourselves. We have withheld forgiveness, neglected the needs of others, and turned away from those whom you call us to love.

Forgive us, O Lord. By your Spirit, knit us back together into your body, that we might reflect your grace and proclaim your love to all. Amen.

HYMN 551 LORD, HAVE MERCY Congregation Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

SHARING GOD'S LOVE AND FORGIVENESS

Bill F

...Believe the Good News: God has reconciled and renewed us by grace.

We are forgiven and made whole. Thanks be to God!

♦ HYMN 581 GLORY BE TO THE FATHER Congregation Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

~~~ PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD ~~~

◆ Gospel reading John 15:4-12 (NRSVUE)

Pastor Murray

This is the Word of the Lord. God is still speaking.

Message What Disciples Do: Commune Pastor Murray

HYMN 836 (vs. 1-3) Abide with Me Congregation

~~~ RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD ~~~

Call of the Offering Pastor Murray

OFFERTORY Come Unto Me Chancel Choir

♦ HYMN 606 DOXOLOGY Congregation Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

◆ Prayer of Dedication

Pastor Murray

◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The 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

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS Bill F

...We give God praise for their lives

Thanks be to God!

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER WORDS OF CELEBRATION AND INSTITUTION

...Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the saving death of our Risen Lord,

until he comes again.

THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you, And also with you.

Lift up your hearts, We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give God thanks, It is right to give God thanks and praise...

...We give you thanks for the bread and the fruit of the vine

it is not these foods that nourish us but the presence of Christ's Spirit and your call to which we respond that turns our dependence away from everything else except you.

So we ask that you, O Lord, bless this bread;

that gives itself to us with its terrible weight and its infinite grace.

We ask you, O Lord, to bless this cup,

poured out for us with a love that makes all things new and celebrates that which is lost is found.

...Seeking the fullness of Christ, we pray in his holy name. Amen.

# INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE (all bread is gluten- free)

If you choose to receive the symbols of Christ's body and blood and you have not been baptized, celebrate how God's grace is leading you to "abide in Jesus". Pastor Jonathan would like to share a conversation with you about the meaning of these symbols of faith.

### GIVING GOD THANKS FOR GOD'S GIFTS

Pastoral Prayers and The Lord's Prayer (page 35)

◆ HYMN 326

For All the Saints

Congregation

CARRYING GOD'S GOOD NEWS INTO GOD'S WORLD

Pastor Murray

Postlude

Mary Dailey

### **Today's Service**

Music
Liturgist
Trustee
Ushers
Cover Image
Mary Dailey and The Chancel Choir
Bill F
Cathy and Dick G
Church of the Redeemer

\*Prayer cards may be placed on the offering plate or in the box in Chandler Hall.

Question: How does sharing life with other believers — through worship, prayer, meals, and care — shape your understanding of what it means to follow Jesus?



**Second Thursday of each month at 1pm in Ayers' Parlor** or Zoom in with us if you can't make it to church. Contact Janice Fagan if you have any questions or want to join us. <u>JLFagan69@gmail.com</u>
Here's what we are reading next:

For November 13

The Lady and the Unicorn, by Tracy Chevalier

For December 11

no book, just a Christmas potluck lunch get-together!

# Sunday Bible Study Today



**Open Door Circle** will be meeting every 3rd Thursday, at 10:30. All women are welcome. Please call Hedy Lemieux at 303-794-8284 with any questions.



Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study every Tuesday from 7-8:15

Please contact co-leaders Sue Chandler and Janice Fagan for more information.

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Stuby every Wednesday from 10-11:30

Please contact co-leaders Joy Carreno or Karla Ferguson with questions or to RSVP.

### **November RightNow Media Picks**

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If you have any trouble creating your account, or accessing content, please contact Pastor Blakeley for assistance!

**For children** *Paws and Tales* Younger viewers will enjoy this series of animated adventures which explore important Biblical concepts such as showing gratitude, conquering fear, putting others first, and following God's rules.

For general audience The Top Ten Hebrew words every Christian should know Join host Mark Ward to explore some important Hebrew vocabulary, learning the deeper meaning behind words like Amen, Messiah, Selah, and more. A great study for those wanting to delve deeper into Old Testament context and interpretation.

**For general audience** *Redeeming your time* Best-selling author Jordan Raynor leads this study which takes the lifestyle of Christ as a model for how we can improve our time-management skills and find a better work-life balance.



The mission committee will be collecting new hats, gloves and scarves during the month of October. Collection bins will be placed at the Windermere entrance and in Chandler Hall.



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Christmas Cantata Rehearsal at 8:30am on the  $4^{th}$  floor.

# Worship Focus

What Disciples Do:

November 9 Give Generously -Galatians 5:16-17, 22-25 Bells and Celebration Sunday

November 16 Give Testimony -Acts 1:6-8

November 23 Give Thanks -Psalm 100

#### Advent Season

November 30 Come Thou Long Expected Jesus Isaish 61:1-7: Haggai 2:1-9 1

### **Mission Statement:**

We Believe the Good News that all of Littleton is called Beloved by Jesus Christ and together we Belong to God's Kingdom.

