



Remember this — a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully."

2 Corinthians 9:6-7 (NLT)

Sunday, November 9, 2025

Please be seated, silence all devices, and prepare yourself for worship.
All are welcome in this sacred space, including the wiggles and giggles!

♦ PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR SPIRIT

PRELUDE HYMN

America, the Beautiful

Memorial Handbell Choir

~~~ 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

Taylor A M

Come, let us worship the Lord,

who provides every good gift.

God's grace overflows,

giving us all that we need.

In every season, God multiplies blessings that we might bless others.

With thankful hearts, we come to give praise and to give generously! Let us worship God

With joy and gratitude, we praise God!

♦ HYMN 643 Now Thank We All Our God Congregation

Children are invited forward as we sing the final verse

CHILDREN'S SERMON I'm Thankful Pastor Winslow, Miss Karen

and Children

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

MINISTRY OF MUSIC Sing to the Lord of Harvest Memorial Handbell Choir

Prayer for Illumination Taylor A M

SCRIPTURE Galatians 5:16-17, 22-25 (NRSVUE)

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (we begin in silent confession and then pray together)

Gracious God, you have poured out blessings beyond what we deserve or imagine, yet we confess that we often hold back what is yours. We fear not having enough, and we forget that everything we have is a gift from your hand.

Forgive us when our hearts are tight and our hands are closed. Loosen our grip, Lord, that we may live freely, love boldly, and give generously — as Christ has given himself for us. Amen.

HYMN 551 LORD, HAVE MERCY Congregation

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Sharing God's Love and Forgiveness

Taylor A M

...Let us rejoice in the forgiveness of God poured out.

Alleluia! Amen!

♦ 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 ~~~

SCRIPTURE READING 2 Corinthians 9:1-2, 6-11 (NLT)

Pastor Murray

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

MESSAGE What Disciples Do: Pastor Murray

**Give Generously** 

HYMN 716 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending Congregation

~~~ Responding to God's Word ~~~

Offering Pastor Murray

OFFERTORY With Heart and Hand and Voices Memorial Handbell 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 (Author Unknown)

We believe that the LORD is God, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it.

We believe God has called us in righteousness, who took us by the hand and kept us. We believe that God, who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food, will supply and multiply what we give for sowing and increase the harvest of our righteousness, and that we will be enriched in every way as we cultivate the fruit of the Spirit called generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us.

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

Pastor Winslow

♦ HYMN 697 (vs. 1-4)

Take My Life

Congregation

~~~ CARRYING GOD'S GOOD NEWS INTO GOD'S WORLD ~~~

♦ Benediction Pastor Murray

POSTLUDE Mary Dailey

When you think about God's generosity toward you, what is one way you might reflect that generosity this week? Consider being generous not only with money, but with your time, love, and forgiveness.

#### **Today's Service**

Director of Handbell Choirs & Children/Youth Music

Music

Director of Music

Liturgist

Trustee

Usher

Image

Karen A. Meersman

FPCL Handbell Choirs

Mary Dailey

Taylor A M

Connie S

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## Sunday Bible Study November 16

Bible Study is on the  $1^{st}$  and  $3^{rd}$  Sundays, following worship. Bring a 'brown bag' lunch and join us as we discuss God's Word to us. Both children and Adult Sunday Bible Study will meet, starting in Ficklin Hall for lunch.

#### November RightNow Media picks

All content from RightNow Media is accessible for you to conveniently enjoy from your computer or mobile device. Your account is already paid for through FPCL, so all you have to do is sign up here: <a href="https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/fpcl">https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/fpcl</a> 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.

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



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

Please contact co-leaders Sue C and Janice F for more information.

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Stuby every Wednesday from 10-11:30 Please contact co-leaders Joy C or Karla F with questions or to RSVP.



Make-up Day for Directory Pictures will be done TODAY, November 9<sup>th</sup>

Open Door Circle will be meeting every 3rd Thursday, at 10:30. All women are welcome. Please call Hedy L with any questions.



WINTER ACCESSORIES DRIVE

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



Peacemakers Country Store Christmas Sale Save the date December 7, 2025, 8:30-10:00, 11:00-2:00, Chandler Hall.



Christmas Cantata Rehearsal at 8:30am on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor.



Second Thursday of each month at 1pm in Ayers' Parlor or Zoom with us if you can't make it to church. Contact Janice F if you have any questions or want to join us.

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!

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### Worship Focus

What Disciples Do:

November 16 Give Testimony - Acts 1:6-8 November 23 Give Thanks - Psalm 100 Kirkin' O' the Tartons

Advent Season

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

# Chili Cook Off Today Please stay and enjoy good food and Fellowship

#### **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.

