

October 25, 2026

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Church, where do we abide?

People: We make our home in the love of God.

Leader: What does perfect love do?

People: Perfect love casts out fear.

Leader: What are the two greatest commandments?

People: To love the Lord our God and to love others

*OPENING PRAYER

*SHARING GOD'S PEACE

*HYMN #693 Though I May Speak

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we know that love casts out fear, yet we still live in fear. We live in fear of our neighbor, of the future, of our reputations, of our anger. But you have promised to envelope us in love. When we experience Your love, may we not hoard it for ourselves, but share it with the world. Amen.

Leader: Let us continue our confession together in silence.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God hears all our questions and all our concerns. God sees all our failures and all our mistakes. Yet God defines us by none of these things. God always welcomes us in; God always forgives; God always loves. Friends, hear the Good News: You are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen!

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

First Reading

1 John 4:7–21

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

Multiplied

Emma Kate Lander

Second Reading

Matthew 22:34–40

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON The Simplest and Most Difficult Commandments

SILENT REFLECTION

RESPONDING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*HYMN #543 God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Click [ERPC - Prayer Request](#)

OFFERING

To give online: Click: [Giving](#)

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*CHARGE AND SENDING

POSTLUDE

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The Christmas Wreath Fundraiser runs through November 1.
Order forms are in the Narthex. Contact: sharmco@gmail.com;
970-376-3540

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

Anyone interested in reading during our 9:30 am Sunday Service?
Seeking readers for Nov. & Dec.
Contact Shirley 850-499-0659; shirley.petersmeyer@gmail.com

Centering Prayer Mondays at 4:30. ERPC Library
Beginning on Nov. 2nd they begin reading, Everything Belongs,
by Richard Rohr. All are welcome. Contact Barabara Risser,
512-695-8374 .

Community Market Volunteer Day

The next volunteer group will be Tue., Nov. 3.
Meet at Edwards Community Market, 10-noon.
429 Edwards Access Rd A202, Edwards
Contact Pat Helt to sign up: phelt176@gmail.com
