

Consider the following options to center yourself for worship:

BREATHING PRAYER:
In For A Count Of 4: ***Lord, Here I Am...***
Out For A Count Of 4: ***… Send Me, Use Me****.*

REFLECT ON QUOTE
"What you are is God's gift to you, what you become is your gift to God."
~ Hans Urs von Balthasar

READ SCRIPTURE
Matthew 25:14-30

ORDER OF WORSHIP
November 15, 2026
Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

PRELUDE *Sing Praise to God, The Highest Good* arr. Mark Sedio
Jerry Bursch, Organ

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WELCOME / OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAITH AND SERVICE Pastor Matt McPhee

*Please rise in body and spirit.

*CALL TO WORSHIP Melissa Pryor

When fear tempts us to protect what we have been given,
God calls us to risk our gifts in love.
When we mistake safety for faithfulness,
Christ invites us to invest our lives in the work of the kingdom.
When we wonder whether what we have to offer is enough,
the Spirit assures us that we are already held in love.

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* HYMN *What Gift Can We Bring?* UMH 87

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Song # 216549

1 What gift can we bring, what present, what token?
What words can convey it, the joy of this day?
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,
what song can we offer in honor and praise?

2 Give thanks for the past, for those who had vision,
who planted and watered so dreams could come true.
Give thanks for the now, for study, for worship,
for mission that bids us turn prayer into deed.

3 Give thanks for tomorrow, full of surprises,
for knowing whatever tomorrow may bring,
the Word is our promise always, forever;
we rest in God's keeping and live in God's love.

4 This gift we now bring, this present, this token,
these words can convey it, the joy of this day!
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,
this song we now offer in honor and praise!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Melissa Pryor

God of abundant gifts, you entrust us with more than we dare to risk and call us to more than we feel ready to offer. Free us from the fear

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that keeps our gifts buried and our love withheld. As we worship, awaken in us the courage to invest what we have received in love, trusting that your grace is already sustaining the work we dare to undertake. Amen.

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SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

* HYMN *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross* UMH 301

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Song # 36736

1. Jesus, keep me near the cross;
there a precious fountain,
free to all, a healing stream,
flows from Calvary's mountain.

Refrain: In the cross, in the cross,
be my glory ever,
till my raptured soul shall find
rest beyond the river.

2. Near the cross, a trembling soul,
love and mercy found me;
there the bright and morning star
sheds its beams around me. **(Refrain)**

3. Near the cross! O Lamb of God,
bring its scenes before me;

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help me walk from day to day
with its shadow o'er me. **(Refrain)**

4. Near the cross I'll watch and wait,
hoping, trusting ever,
till I reach the golden strand
just beyond the river. **(Refrain)**

SCRIPTURE READINGS Matthew 25:14-30 Melissa Pryor

Matthew 25:14-30 (NRSVue)

“For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. At once the one who had received the five talents went off and traded with them and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you did not scatter, so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ But his master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all

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those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance, but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE Pastor Matt

CHORAL RESPONSE *Lord, Be Glorified* TFWS 2150

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Song # 26368

In *our lives*, Lord, be glorified, be gloried.
In *our lives*, Lord, be glorified today.

2. *my life*

RESPONDING IN FAITH

We live out our membership vows by offering our prayers, our presence, our service, our gifts, and our witness. In this way, we glorify God with our whole lives.

BELL OFFERING *I Surrender All* arr. Sandra Eithun
Bell Choir Jerry Bursch, Director

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*DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 94
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CCLI Song # 3063266

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus

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Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION — Melissa Pryor

Generous Christ, every good gift comes from your hand, and you entrust us with resources, abilities, and opportunities to serve your Kingdom. Teach us to invest our lives in love, mercy, and the building of community. Receive these offerings and use them to lift burdens, create hope, and strengthen your people. May we find joy not in accumulation, but in faithful relationship with you and our neighbors. May all that we offer today become a witness to your abundant grace. Amen. (adapted, © 2026 umcdiscipleship.org)

*HYMN — *Together We Serve* — TFWS 2175

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Song # 3379644

1 Together we serve, united by love,
inviting God's world to the glorious feast.
We work and we pray through sorrow and joy,
extending your love to the last and the least.

2 We seek to become a beacon of hope,
a lamp for the heart and a light for the feet.
We learn, year by year, to let love shine through
until we see Christ in each person we meet.

3 We welcome the scarred, the wealthy, the poor,
the busy, the lonely, and all who need care.
We offer a home to those who will come,
our hands quick to help, our hearts ready to dare.

4 Together, by grace, we witness and work,
remembering Jesus, in whom we grow strong.
Together we serve, in Spirit and truth,
remembering love is the strength of our song.

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*BENEDICTION Pastor Matt

*HYMN OF PARTING *Shalom to You*

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Song #1913569

Shalom to you now, shalom my friends.
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through all your loving
Christ be your shalom. Christ be your shalom.

POSTLUDE Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern arr. Mark Sedio
Jerry Bursch, Organ

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Serving in Worship Today

Ushers: Sharon Ellis & Linda Whitney
Liturgist: Melissa Pryor
Music Director: Jerry Bursch
Pastor: Rev. Matt McPhee

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Video of today's worship can be found at www.indioumc.org/media
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CALENDAR:

November 15 -Sunday– You are invited to Coffee Fellowship after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

November 16-20-Mon—Fri–New Day Devotions 8:00 AM via Zoom. (Link available in weekly e-news or by contacting the office)

November 17-Tuesday –Bell Choir Practice 3:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

November 18-Wednesday -Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM at Sloan's Restaurant in Indio.

November 18 —Wednesday —Tai Chi 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

November 22 — Sunday -Chancel Choir Practice 8:20 AM in the Sanctuary.

November 22 — Sunday -Adult Bible Study 9:00 AM in the Adult Classroom.

November 22 – Sunday -Worship 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary, followed by Coffee Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall.

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