

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, November 9, 2025

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Including Recognition of 50 Year Members

Theme: The Days Are Surely Coming: Patience



**“Do not be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word. Be patient and remain confident.”**

**I Thessalonians 2:2**

*GATHERING*

*Prelude:* “Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us” Robert Lau

Call to Worship (*based on Ps. 84, the Psalm of the Day*)

Leader: Happy are they whose strength is in the LORD our God.

**People: How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts! Our souls long to be in Your presence.**

Leader: LORD, our hearts and our voices sing for joy to You, the living God.

**People: Even the sparrow finds a home and the swallow a nest for herself where she may lay her young.**

Leader: Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.

**People: And happy are we who find strength in You, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

Leader: As we go through the valley, surely in our presence are the springs of living water supplied by our God.

**People: As steady rain covers the ground with pools, so we go from strength to strength, refreshed to live as your people.**

Leader: Let us worship the God who supplies our needs.

\*Hymn: #733 “We Are One in Mission”

\*Prayer of the Day

Most Holy and Powerful God, we take courage today that you will provide all we need to keep your presence at the center of our work to lead this church and bless the community around us. We need you today to shake the heavens and the earth. Shake the trees and the dry land. Search out worthy leaders for us and send them our way. Shake the hearts and souls, pocketbooks and wallets of all of us here and those around us. Shake us so that our earthly treasures and heavenly investments would be released freely to carry out your purposes. We offer thanks that all we have needed you have provided.

As we renew our service to you, instill in our souls that as we seek to prosper You, You will prosper us, not for selfish gain, but to be a blessing to others and to continue this congregation with vitality. Whoever and however many we are, we are your church and we can be faithful. Continue to use us as a blessing, through Christ we pray, AMEN

*PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD*

Scripture: I Thessalonians 2:1-5; 13-17

Sermon: “Hold Fast”

\*Hymn: #731 “Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm”

*RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD*

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Faithful God, the One who stands with us in ruins and renewals alike, may your compassionate care continue to rain down on us. Whenever we bring our offerings, help us to remember not only what was, but what we dare to be. You are our strength, our vision when the future feels uncertain. Use us to build the beloved community—not only in stone and structure, but in lives made whole, relationships

restored, and justice pursued. May your peace dwell richly in what we offer and how we live, that the glory of this house—the people called by your name—might truly shine. In Christ's name we pray. AMEN

Announcements and Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

\*Hymn: #707 "Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord

\*Charge and Benediction

Leader: Hear again the promise God made to God's people long ago: Do not be discouraged! Be strong and courageous!

**People: Therefore, we will keep working, for God's Spirit surely remains with us. We will move forward and not be afraid!**

Silent Prayer (*be seated*)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. AMEN

The End of Worship  
The Beginning of Service

\*Those who wish may stand

Rev. James Shuler, Interim Pastor  
Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

**Prayers of the Congregation**

**The Prayer Person this week is Sue Funk.**

WE CELEBRATE with Nelson Koshuto his move to a new place of residence in Strasburg and pray for reassurance as he adjusts to his new surroundings

**The Sanctuary Flowers are in Celebration of my mother Barbara's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
Given by Angela Killian**

WORSHIP NOTE: Today's prayers and responsive readings are based on Haggai 2, the assigned Old Testament reading for today.

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