*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SPECIAL MUSIC: ***We Gather Together*** Chancel Choir

*SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Corinthians 8:9,11b-15 NLT
2 Corinthians 9:6-15 NLT

L: The Living Word of God for the people of God.
P: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE: Pastor Cathy Nutting
"Proud Past, Hopeful Future"

TIME OF COMMITMENT

CELEBRATION LUNCH

*Denotes Standing as you are able.

Serving Next Sunday:

Usher/Greeters: open
Acolyte: open
Liturgy: open
Visual Tech: open
Fellowship: open

Talk to Leslie Herman or sign up online at *vmumc.com*.
(Scroll down to "sign up to be a worship helper" and click on the link.)

Ministers:
All the Church Members

Organist/Choir Director:
Mike Cooper

Pianist:
Heidi Freidhof

Usher/Greeters: open

Communion:
open

Acolyte: open

Liturgist:
Jim Goodson

Visual Tech: open

Fellowship: open

Nursery:
Brandy Halsten

Janitorial:
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Nurturing children, supporting families, creating community as we share our faith.



Sunday November 8th, 2026

Adult Discussion Group 9:30 AM

Open Hearts
Open Minds
Open Doors

Worship 10:45 AM

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

November 8, 1026 - Consecration Sunday and Celebration Lunch

Assistive listening devices are available from ushers.

PRELUDE

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN AND LIGHTING OF CANDLES:
Come! Come! Everybody Worship FWS 2271

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP: *(Please remain standing as you are able.)*

Good morning church!
God has offered us a fresh new day to celebrate.
A day to join in God's mission of grace, mercy, compassion, and justice.
A day to love one another in joy, in encouragement, in care.
So call the children, call the teens, call the young adults, call the middle agers, call the elderly. Call all who love the church.
This is a day to celebrate God's abundant grace. Welcome to worship.

*MORNING PRAYER:
Good morning God! We begin our worship by letting go.
We let go of the unimportant things that have occupied our minds, our fears and worries.
So much of what we carry is small things that really don't matter in the big scheme.
This morning, we let go and we turn to you.
Welcome us into your presence.
Soften our hearts. Release our souls. Smooth away the harsh edges.
Remind us again of what is really important.
May our worship today give us fresh eyes and a renewed spirit to see the world as you see it and to love as you do. Amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE:
Leader: Share with one another sings of peace and love. Show Christ to one another, that we may be reminded of the peace that passes all understanding.
The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Please greet your neighbors with a sign of Christ's peace

(Please be seated.)
CHILDREN'S TIME ***Jesus Loves Me***

HYMN OF PREPARATION ***Lord, Be Glorified*** FWS 2150

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE 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, for ever. Amen.

OUR TIME OF GIVING

*DOXOLOGY Hymnal 95

*Indicates stand, as you are able. **Bold** indicates all join in. FWS indicates *The Faith We Sing* book.