

November 16th, 2025

Preludes:

Welcome

Call to Worship:

We come to you, God of wisdom, looking for answers.

Show us to be obedient, show us the truth.

We praise our creator and teacher, the One who owns all!

Show us how to live a life that reflects your image.

We are ready to empty our busy and sometimes crafty minds.

Show us how to love you and our neighbors here and now.

We follow Jesus' teachings to embody a dynamic discipleship!

Thank you, Holy Spirit, for guiding us!

Amen.

Opening Prayer:

Loving God, can we ever really understand your great love for us? Can we ever really appreciate how much you desire a relationship with each and every one of us? Gathering for worship gives you praise and glory for who you are and reminds us of whose we are. We enter this time with sincere gratitude for calling us yours, for always being more ready to listen than we are to speak. May this time serve as a reminder of our belovedness and your call on each of our lives to love you, our neighbors, and ourselves. With commitment, we pray. Amen.

*Song of Praise "Lord I Lift Your Name On High"

Children's Message "Give to Caesar, What is Caesars."

Joys and Concerns

Prayers for the People

The Lord's Prayer

*GLORIA PATRI

UMH 070

The New Testament Lesson(s): Matthew 22:15-22, 34-40

Reader: The word of God, For the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Offertory

*DOXOLOGY

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

Almighty God, remind us that the gifts we offer were yours to begin with. Help us to be good stewards of all that we have, so that we may better support the work of your kin(g)dom. May our presence in this community reflect your love to all people. In the name of Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit we pray. Amen.

*Hymn

"To God Be The Glory"

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Message:

Counterculture

Week 4

"Authentic Loving, Authentic Giving"

Music Ministry

*Hymn

"Shine Jesus Shine"

Benediction and Going Forth:

**“Making Disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the
world.”**



**“All are welcome,
none are turned away!”**

First United Methodist Church

Mexico, New York
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