Offertory (10:30 am)

Prayer of Dedication (10:30 am) | All that we are, and all that we have, come from you, O God. Amen. *(Hoyt L. Hickman, 20th C., Alt, adapted)*

Morning Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Ministry Moment | Little Free Food Pantry, Carol Tyson

***Closing Hymn** | "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" | UMH #384

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Benediction

Postlude

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Order of Worship

24th Sunday after Pentecost, November 8, 2026 | 8 am

Prelude | "America the Beautiful" | United Methodist Hymnal #696

Welcome

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Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2026.

Opening Hymn | "When We All Get to Heaven" | United Methodist Hymnal #701

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Assurance of Pardon | 8:00am
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Sharing of the Peace

*** Epistle Lesson |** 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (NRSV)

Hymn of Response | "Blessed Assurance" | United Methodist Hymnal #369

Sermon | Rev. Dr. Kendrick D. Weaver

Moment of Absorption

"The Great Thanksgiving" (8:00 am)

The Lord's Prayer (8:00 am)

The Giving of the Bread and Cup (8:00 am)

Tithe & Offering

Morning Prayer

Ministry Moment | Little Free Food Pantry, Carol Tyson

***Closing Hymn** | "For the Healing of the Nations" | United Methodist Hymnal #428

Sending Forth

Benediction

Postlude | "The Washington Post" | John Philip Sousa | Arr.: © 2014 Maurizio Machella | Offered by Andrew Kosinski, Organist

** Please rise if you are able.*

Bold text indicates portions read in unison by the congregation.

We welcome you to sign in using the red binders in your pew.

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