

25th Sunday After Pentecost
Service Order 11/22/20

Welcome

Rev. Lori

Call to Worship:

From the depths of our being, a song of thanks arises, and we pour out our praise for all of God's gifts;

Bread to empower our bodies,

Beauty to quicken our pulse,

Hope to enlarge our vision,

Love to link our lives,

Laughter to soften our wounds,

Passion to shape our maybes,

Community to face our fears,

And for this awesome moment to become filled with joy and touched by grace.

Prayer

God, in this hard year, we're stumbling towards Thanksgiving.

There has been lots to trip us up; We wouldn't wish this year on anyone!

And so on this Thanksgiving, we stumble on the words, and we need to take some deep breaths now to pause and consider what we are thankful for... [pause]

We do have things to be thankful for.

Thank you for life, for bringing us here this far.

Thank you for those who have sacrificed to help others;

health care and essential workers, teachers,

and everyone who has toiled overtime to make a difference.

Thank you for your provision;

the good earth has yielded up its bounty,

and there is food in grocery stores,

even if we sometimes do have to line up for it.
Thank you that this fall season still delights:
the taste of the crisp delicious apple,
the gold of grain pouring out of the combine,
the fragrance of the damp leaves,
the sound of geese honking their way south,
the feel of cool wind and the sun still warm on our skin.
so on Thanksgiving
we pray with thanksgiving, in Jesus's name, Amen
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Children's time

Offering

Special Music Word of God Speak (MUMC folder in Box.com) Jay Simpson

Scripture Lesson

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Sermon

Soul Food: Dirty Hands, Clean Hearts

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

