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November 15, 2026 *~ Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost ~* *10:00 a.m.*

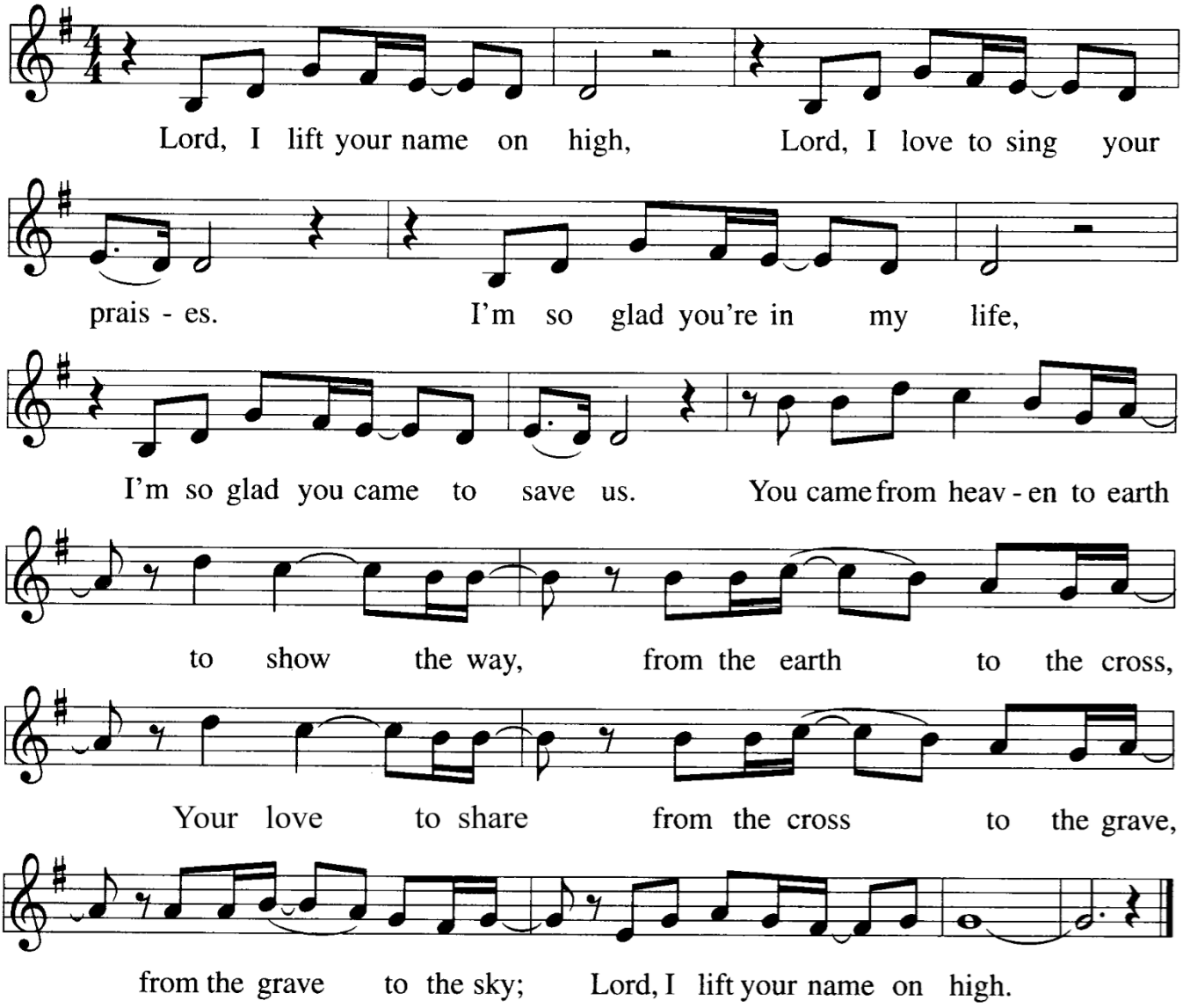
PRELUDE Trumpet Tune on "Westminster Abbey" – Jerry Westenkuehler

THE BELL

RECALLING WHY WE ARE HERE Adapted from Psalm 123 based on Nan Merrill's *Psalms for Praying*

One: Come, lift your eyes and open your hearts to the Beloved.
All: Let us turn our attention toward the presence of God.
One: Come with patience and trust, watching for signs of love and grace.
All: Let us awaken to the Holy One in our midst.
One: When the world grows weary and compassion seems in short supply, seek the way of mercy.
All: Let kindness and understanding take root among us.
One: Come, place your hope in the One Who Is Love.
All: Let us worship God with open hearts.

SONG "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"



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**indicates all who are able, please stand*

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

RESPONSE "Leaning In"

We pray for the lonely ones
knowing that some of us are lonely
and we pray for the heartbroken ones
knowing that some of us are heartbroken

We pray for the wounded
knowing that some of us are wounded
and we pray for the regretful ones
knowing that some of us are regretful
All our hearts and minds
are leaning in with clear intention
joining in your way
of love in the healing

We pray for the starving ones
knowing that some of us are starving
and we pray for the imprisoned ones
knowing that some of us are imprisoned
All our hearts and minds
are leaning in with clear intention
joining in your way
of justice in the world

We pray for the dying ones
knowing that some of us are dying
and we pray for the newly born ones
knowing that some of us are arriving
All our hearts and minds
are leaning in with clear intention
joining in your way
of love in the world
Amen

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ANTHEM "What Love Can Do" - Mark Burrows

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*PASSING THE PEACE

*RESPONSE “Reckless Love”

LEADER: Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me
You have been so, so good to me
Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me
You have been so, so kind to me

ALL: Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
Reckless love of God
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found,
Leaves the 99

And I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it,
Still, You give Yourself away
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
Reckless love of God

When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me
You have been so, so good to me
When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me
You have been so, so kind to me

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
Reckless love of God
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found,
Leaves the 99

And I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it,
Still, You give Yourself away
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
Reckless love of God

LEADER: There's no shadow You won't light up
Mountain You won't climb up
Coming after me

LEADER: There's no wall You won't kick down
Lie You won't tear down
Coming after me

ALL: There's no shadow You won't light up
Mountain You won't climb up
Coming after me

There's no wall You won't kick down
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SONG "Great Is Your Faithfulness"



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COMMUNITY LIFE

STEWARDSHIP WITNESS

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "A Round of Praise" - Michael Helman

SONG “The Spirit Send Us forth to Serve”



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*BENEDICTION

*AFFIRMATION “Send Us Out”

Send us out to proclaim the reign of your kingdom.
Send us out to proclaim and to heal,
Send us out with your power and your authority.
To overcome, and to heal the world.

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POSTLUDE "Marche solennelle" - A. Metzner

Pastor	Rev. Dr. David Bahr - *on sabbatical until 2/2/27*
Sabbatical Pastor/Minister for Congregational Care	Rev. Courtney Mys
Liturgist	Youth Group
Director of Worship and Music	Angelica Eclar
Associate Director of Music	Kris Abels
Interim Children's Ministry Coordinator	Zoe Merrick
Director of Ministry with Youth	Ali Tonnesen
Director of Marketing	Trevor Norkowski
Young Adult Ministry Coordinator	Lainie Alfaro
Worship Technologies Coordinator	Saige Afalava
Section Leaders	Van Angelo, Shannon Johnson, Ellie Mout, Sophia Perez
Guest Vocalist	Sonja Brun
Administrative Assistant	Elizabeth Quiñones
Sexton	Gloria Schacht
Worship Technologies Assistant	Jazmin Corrales
Youth Group Assistant	Grace Schacht
Nursery Attendants	Jianna Ruiz & Amelia Norkowski
ASL Interpreter	Melissa Smith

Mission Hills UCC - Upcoming Events

November	**Mission Partner: Interfaith Community Services Christmas Tree**
Tuesday, 11/17	Feeding Mission Hills Food Distribution, volunteers needed 9-11 am
Wednesday, 11/18	Women's Group Meeting, 6 pm, Commons
Thursday, 11/19	Knitting 2 Give, 2-4 pm, Commons
Sunday, 11/22	Commitment Sunday
	Thanksgiving Luncheon
Sunday, 11/29	Advent Celebration, 5:30-7 pm
December	**Mission Partner: UCC Christmas Fund**
Wednesday, 12/2	Women's Group Meeting, 6 pm, Commons
Friday, 12/4	Knitting 2 Give, 10 am - 12 pm, Commons
Saturday, 12/12	Second Saturday Speaker Series
Sunday, 12/13	Christmas Pageant
Tuesday, 12/15	Feeding Mission Hills Food Distribution, volunteers needed 9-11 am
Wednesday, 12/16	Women's Group Meeting, 6 pm, Commons
Thursday, 12/17	Knitting 2 Give, 2-4 pm, Commons
Saturday, 12/19	Christmas Concert, 6 pm
Thursday, 12/24	Christmas Eve Service, 4:30 pm
	Christmas Eve Service, 8:00 pm

Join us every week for:

Sundays -

- 10 am: Worship service with children's and youth program
- 11:15 am: Fellowship Hour
- 11:20 am: Bell Choir Rehearsal (upstairs music room)

Wednesdays -

- 10:30 am: Senior Lunch and Fun Activities – Fellowship Hall

Thursdays -

- 7 pm: Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

For all MHUCC events, visit our online calendar: https://missionhillsucc.org/calendar