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The chancel flowers on the altar are dedicated in memory of Alex Moore's Birthday, October 1st, given by Betty Moore and family.





# "Worship God, Love One Another, Serve the World"



September 28, 2025 8:30 a.m. Worship

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## 8:30 Worship

#### **GATHERING**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "All Creatures of Our God and King"

\*Call to Worship

(Based on Psalm 91)

Come and rest in the shelter of the Most High; find peace in the shadow of the Almighty.

God is our refuge and our safe place—
our fortress, our strength, the One we trust.

No fear can overpower us, no darkness can destroy us, for God sends angels to guard us and hold us steady.

Even in the face of danger, we will not be shaken. Even in the midst of trouble, we will not be alone.

The Lord says: "Because you hold fast to me in love, I will deliver you. When you call, I will answer. When you stumble, I will lift you up."

We will worship the God who saves, the God who satisfies with life, the God who shows us salvation!

\*Hymn

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

UMH #110

\*Opening Prayer

God, our refuge and fortress,

You assure us that life is possible even when we cannot make ourselves believe it. Cover us with your faithfulness as we gather. Release us from our fear. Show us our salvation, and we will delight to live here in your shelter. Strengthen us this day to pursue all righteousness, godliness, and love with perseverance and gentleness, that we may take hold of the life that is really life. Amen.

\*Passing the Peace

Welcome! Please take the next 60 seconds and find someone you did not come to church with and greet them in Jesus' name!

#### PRAISE AND PROCLAMATION

\*Gospel Lesson Luke 16:19-31 Anne Scott

Epistle Lesson 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Rev. Elias Ballew

SwanKids Worship

All kids are welcome to follow our staff for SwanKids Worship during the sermon.

Anthem "Soon and Very Soon" arr by Schrader

Scripture Lesson Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

Sermon Rev. Laura Thompson

#### RESPONSE

\*Hymn of Response "I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry" FWS #2051

Holy Baptism and Confirmation - The Baptismal Covenant I (UMH #33)

Candidates for Baptism and Confirmation Abram Applegate

Congregational Sharing: Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Giving of our Tithes, Offerings, and Connection Cards

Offertory Song "You Are Mine" Haas

\*Doxology UMH #94

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

#### SENDING

\*Hymn "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" UMH #127

\*Dismissal with Blessing

\*Postlude "Shalom to You" UMH #666

Shalom to you now, Shalom my friend, May God's full mercies Bless you my friend. In all your living, and through your loving Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

<sup>\*</sup> Please stand as you are able.