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Christ caring for people through people
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A Stephen Minister provides confidential support, encouragement, listening, and prayer to those going through a difficult time. Contact: SUMC office, website, or Laurie NardoKunst: 910-934-5457.

Swansboro
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



November 8, 2026
24th Sunday after Pentecost
8:25 a.m. Worship

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8:30 Worship

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Thanks Be to Thee" Terry Boykin

*Call to Worship *from Psalm 78*

Give ear, O people, to my teachings.
Incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
We open our lips in parables;
we utter dark sayings from of old.
These are things we have heard and known,
that our ancestors have told us.
We will not hide them from our children;
we will tell the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the Lord.

*Hymn "God of the Sparrow God of the Whale" UMH #122

*Opening Prayer

O great and loving God, Your wisdom is radiant and unfading, easily discerned by all who seek Your way. When faithful men and women live in love and work for justice, heaven breaks into earth. Give us the grace to live confidently and expectantly, trusting that the Lord of history, who has been approaching from all eternity, comes into life continually with compassion, redemption, and hope. 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 Matthew 25:1-13 Ingle Jenkins

Stewardship Moment

SwanKids Worship

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

Anthem "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" Choir

Scripture Lesson Jeremiah 29:1, 4-11

Sermon Rev. Laura Thompson

RESPONSE

*Hymn of Response "All Who Love and Serve Your City" UMH #433

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Giving of our Tithes, Offerings, and Connection Cards

Offertory Song "Give Thanks" Choir

*Doxology UMH #95

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING

*Hymn "Take My Life, and Let It Be" UMH 399

*Benediction

*Postlude "Song of Hope" FWS 2186

"May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race. Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all; working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call."

** Please stand as you are able.*