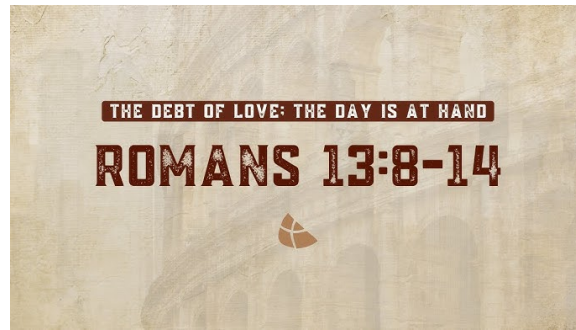




**Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
November 9, 2025**

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Welcome

Stewardship Moment

Damon Moore

Prelude

Where Shall I Go?

Spiritual

The prelude signals the beginning of our sacred time together. During the prelude, you are invited to prepare your heart for worship by focusing your attention upon God.

Call to Worship

Tina Wilmoth

Inhale the bounty of God's peace.

Splendor is a gift of the presence of God.

Serenity is the treasure that comes from God's Spirit.

Through the love of God, we find our rest.

Now exhale all that resists the blessings of God.

Justice and kindness ring from the heart of God.

Opening Prayer

Tina Wilmoth

Divine Foundation, even as tumultuous winds shake us
and the floor beneath us quakes,
you firmly hold us.

As the world around us rattles,
you erase fear from our hearts.

Whether on earth or in heaven,
your loving Spirit endures.

It pervades the limitless reaches
of your creation.

Lift us during times of trembling, enduring Spirit,
and still us during moments of uncertainty. Amen.

Hymn

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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Passing the Peace of Christ

Tina Wilmoth

Living in the realm of the just and kind Holy One, may we build one another up, knowing that our strength comes from our Creator. Let us share these gifts with our siblings as we pass the peace of Christ.

Children's Message

Pastor Larry

Ministry of Music

Let's Go to God

Choir

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Understanding

All Praying

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. By the power of your Holy Spirit, speak to us your promises that we might hear your truth and enjoy you forever, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Romans 13:8-14

⁸ Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. ⁹ The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not covet," and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰ Love does no harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

¹¹ And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. ¹² The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³ Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. ¹⁴ Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

Response to the Word

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

Hymn

The Gift of Love

UMH 408

Sermon

"Unlimited Debt to Love"

Pastor Larry

The Apostles' Creed

UMH 881

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;*
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic** church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***Gloria Patri**

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**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the
beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.**

Morning Prayer

Pastor Larry

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be
done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our
trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into
temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the
glory forever. Amen.**

Invitation to the Offering

Tina Wilmoth

**Through the work of our hearts and hands, we are called to deliver the justice and
kindness of God. Courage is our guide, as we discern which gifts to share. May the wisdom
of God our Creator shine on our pathways along the way.**

Worship with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Autumn Song

Ritter

**Doxology*

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Prayer of Dedication*

Tina Wilmoth

**Holy, Steadfast Love, as we abide together in your realm,
you bring stillness to our hurried world.**

**Even as the world quakes and our anxiety builds,
your peace blesses our souls.**

**Help us share this serenity with our companions
on the road.**

**Bless the gifts we return to you this day,
that they may bring unity to your realm
and hope for a harmonious universe. Amen.**

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

***Hymn**

Christ for the World We Sing

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***Benediction**

Pastor Larry

***Choral Benediction**

As We Go

As we go, may your Spirit go before us.

As we go, may we follow where you lead.

May we live what we have learned,

share the message we have heard,

and be a light unto the world as we go.

Postlude

Victory Through Christ

Smith

JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE

*Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day!*

*2. All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.*

*3. Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.*

*4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus
which the morning stars began;
love divine is reigning o'er us,
binding all within its span.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife;
joyful music leads us sunward,
in the triumph song of life.*

THE GIFT OF LOVE

*Though I may speak with bravest fire,
and have the gift to all inspire,
and have not love, my words are vain,
as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.*

*2 Though I may give all I possess,
and striving so my love profess,
but not be given by love within,
the profit soon turns strangely thin.*

*3 Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
by this we worship, and are freed.*

CHRIST FOR THE WORLD WE SING

*Christ for the world we sing,
the world to Christ we bring,
with loving zeal;
the poor, and them that mourn,
the faint and overborne,
sin-sick and sorrow-worn,
whom Christ doth heal.*

*2. Christ for the world we sing,
the world to Christ we bring,
with fervent prayer;
the wayward and the lost,
by restless passions tossed,
redeemed at countless cost,
from dark despair.*

*3. Christ for the world we sing,
the world to Christ we bring,
with one accord;
with us the work to share,
with us reproach to dare,
with us the cross to bear,
for Christ our Lord.*

*4. Christ for the world we sing,
the world to Christ we bring,
with joyful song;
the newborn souls, whose days,
reclaimed from error's ways,
inspired with hope and praise,
to Christ belong.*