

We Gather to Worship

Prelude	Rock of Ages	Dr. Mary Crowell
Welcome and Announcements		Pastor Jim Truesdell
* Call to Worship	Psalms 11:1-7 P. 537	Elder Don Payne

In the Lord I take refuge. How then can you say to me: “Flee like a bird to your mountain.”

For look, the wicked bend their bows; they set their arrows against the strings to shoot from the shadows at the upright in heart.

When the foundations are being destroyed, what can the righteous do?”

The Lord is in his holy temple; the Lord is on his heavenly throne. He observes the sons of men; his eyes examine them.

The Lord examines the righteous, but the wicked and those who love violence, his soul hates.

On the wicked, there will rain fiery coals and burning sulfur; a scorching wind will be their lot.

For the Lord is righteous, he loves justice; upright men will see his face.

*Hymn	Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me	#438
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*Prayer		
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*Call to Confession		Don Payne
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*Prayer of Confession		Unison
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Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

* Kyrie Eleison		Unison
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**You are the Lord giver of mercy!
You are the Christ giver of mercy!
You are the Lord giver of mercy**

*Assurance of Pardon		Pastor Truesdell
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* The Gloria Patri		Unison
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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.

* Sharing the Peace of Christ		Pastor Truesdell
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Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.

We Listen to God's Word

"This Little Light of Mine"

Time with Young Disciples		Pastor Truesdell
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Prayer for Illumination		Don Payne
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First Reading	Micah 1:1-7 p. 919	Don Payne
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Anthem	I Shall Not Want	arr. Joel Raney
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Second Reading	Micah 1:8 - 2:13 p. 919-920	Pastor Truesdell
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Response	Leader: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.	
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Sermon	Finding Reason to Hope Part 1/4 Servant Leader	Pastor Truesdell
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We Respond to God's Grace

*Hymn	Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	#366
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*Affirmation of Faith		Unison
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*The Apostles' Creed		
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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 Ghost,

born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of The People		Pastor Truesdell
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The Lord's Prayer		Unison
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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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; 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 Worship God with Our Offering

Offertory	O Love That Will Not Let Me Go	Dr. Crowell
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*Doxology		
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**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
praise Him all creatures here below;
praise him above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

* Prayer of Dedication		Pastor Truesdell
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*Hymn	Go With Us, Lord	#748
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*Charge		Pastor Truesdell
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*Benediction		
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* Postlude	Down By the Riverside	Dr. Crowell
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***Stand if you are able**

May 31, 2026
Trinity Sunday

PRAYER REQUESTS

CHURCH FAMILY

Marv & Elizabeth Price (Health)	Duane Counter (Healing)
Doris Welch (Home)	Suzanne Weeks (Healing)
Dean Steele	Jac Catlett
Susie Fogg (Home)	Diane Lynn (Health)
Sharon Massey	Gale Cottles (Healing)
Melvin & Ruth Clem (Health)	Charlotte Lyle (Healing)

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Brandon Noel - Army	Sean Miller - Army
Adam Naves - Marines	Damien Williams - Army
Kevin O'Neill-Army Nat. Guard	Joshua Hargrove - Deployed
Jay Tulley- Middle East	Justin Ruf- Army Air Guard

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Larry Harris (Healing, friend of Chris Hilgeman)
Hazel Ruf (Mason Ruf's mother, home)
Gary Kilgo (Health, Kay Baugher & Carol Quillen's family member)
Karen Ferguson (Potter's Hand)
Keith Clem (Healing, cousin of Chris Paysinger)
Amy Cotten (Potter's Hand)
Telula Thornton (Healing and Comfort, mother of Karan Baker)
Martha Taylor (Healing, mother of John Cagle)
Silvey Family (Healing, daughter, 3 years old)
Maryann McKee (Healing, friend of Carol Copeland)
Shannon Underwood (Healing, daughter of Barbara Welborn)
Cadence Brooks (Healing, student of Cindy Witt)
Karryl Anderson (Healing, Mexico mission supporter)
Gerry Smith (Healing for knees and kidneys, cousin of Jan Ruth)
Tim Swymer (Healing, Lauren Cagle's uncle)
Ronnie Cottles (Healing, father-in-law of Michael & Gail Cottles)
Patricia Cloninger (Healing, friend of Jan Ruth)
Leigh Ann Looyenga (Healing, friend of Gina Haraway)
MaryJo Ghadimi (Healing, friend of Matt Robinson)
Allison Hargrove Bains (Sympathy, niece of Diann Copeland)
Great Uncle of Rosie Sims (Hospice)
Laura Christopher (Healing, friend of Suzanne Paysinger)
John (Healing, friend of Jan Ruth)
Freida Holsaplle (Health, great (great) grandmother of Destiny and Rosie Sims)
Sue Guyer (Healing, sister of Bonny Noel)
Macie Garrett (Healing, 12 years old, great niece of Christy Arnett)

For Our Visitors:

We welcome you to worship and would love to connect with you personally. Prayer Request/Visitor cards are located in the pews. Please place it with the offering or give it to the pastor following the service. Thank you for worshipping with us today!

Announcements:

- Play (or learn) Mahjong and other games each Monday night at Revival
- Potter's hand meets each Wednesday morning from 9-12
- Choir practice Wednesdays at 6:30 pm
- Shower Day with Hearts for Homeless, 2nd Tuesday of each month at 12:00 at Revival. Volunteers are welcome to set up at 11:00, lunch and fellowship at 12:00, and clean-up at 2:00.

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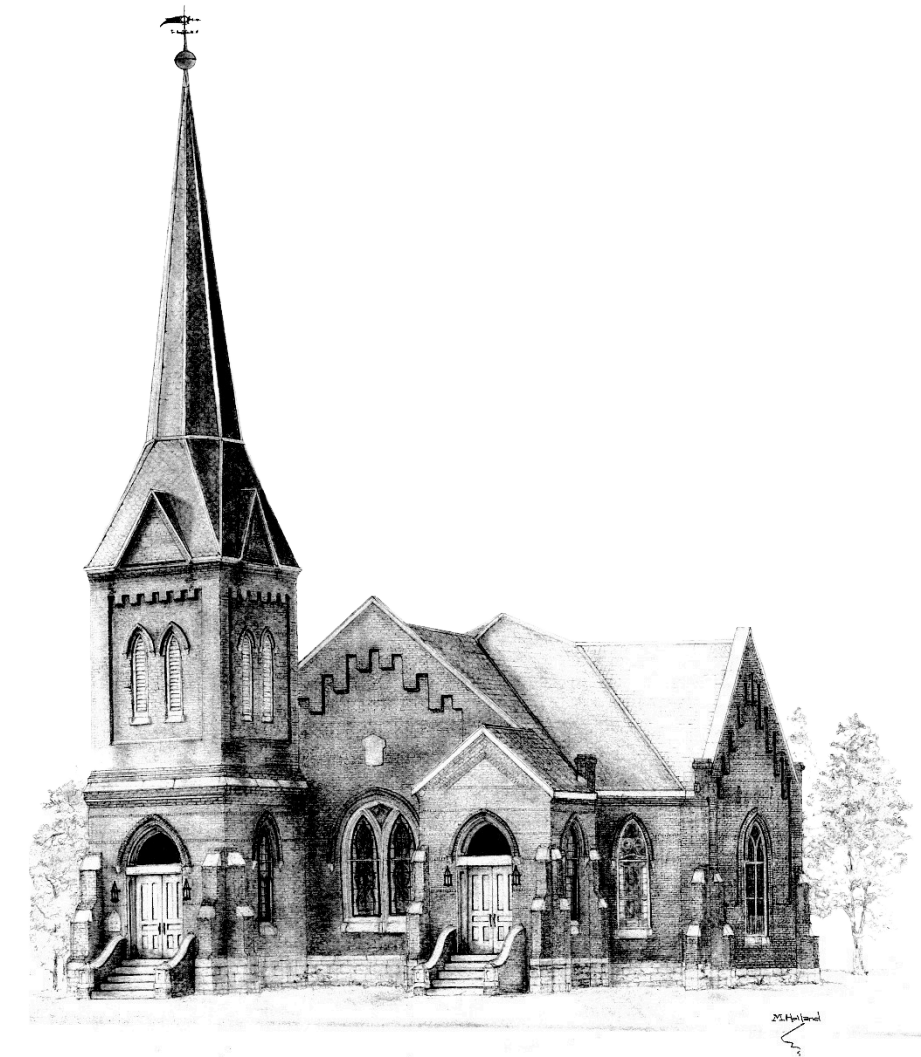
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Flowers

The flowers are given to the glory of God in celebration of Tim and DeAnna McNeill's 35th wedding anniversary.



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