

## The Community Gathers

PRELUDE AND BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Pam Campbell

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN

All Who Love and Serve Your City #433  
Stanzas 1-2, 3-4, 5-1 (Sung to: Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus)

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: On this All Saints Day, we gather to join the multitude of saints across the generations from all tribes, peoples, and languages, to proclaim:

**PEOPLE: Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!**

LEADER: We come to remember, grieve, and celebrate those saints who have come before, yet whose life and witness continues to teach us:

**PEOPLE: Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!**

LEADER: May we be guided today by the Lamb who is our Shepherd, the one who gathers us, comforts us and tends us.

**PEOPLE: May we join in the work of the Shepherd to bring about a world with no more hunger, no more thirst, no more suffering, and no more pain that all the saints of the past, the present, and the future may share in God's abundant life.**

SONG OF PRAISE

Take Time to Be Holy #395 (Stanzas 1, 3, 4)

OPENING PRAYER

**Living Word, by whom all things are created, bless all who work daily in home, field, and marketplace. Labor with them until the creation of the new heaven and new earth. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

JOYS, CONCERNS AND GOD SIGHTINGS

PRAYER FOR COMMUNITY AND ALL SAINTS

PRAYER SONG  
only)

Sanctuary #2164 (Two times

HOLY COMMUNION

UMH#12

SCRIPTURE SENTENCE

*"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever."* ~ **Psalm 107:1**

TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, From Whom All Blessing Flow #94

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**God of all generations, as we worship today, we offer our whole selves to you, all that we have and all that we are. Like your saints who have gone before us, we pray that you will help us to be bold in our mission and in our witness. May we who have been given so much give freely, ministering in your compassion to the multitudes near and far, so that one day, we may stand amid the multitude that gathers at your heavenly throne. We pray this in the name of our Savior and Redeemer, Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Hearing and Responding to the Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Thessalonians 2:9-20

HYMN

Thy Word is a Lamp

UMH#601

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Cindy Kocher

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 23:1-12

AFFIRMATION

The word of God for the people of God

**Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE Pastor Mark Crist

## Thanksgiving

PRAYER& LORD'S PRAYER

OUR PURPOSE

What is our purpose?

**To provide a place for all to BELONG to our community, BELIEVE in and experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ, and BECOME his disciples. BELONG! BELIEVE! BECOME!**

## Going into the World to Serve

SENDING SONG

Because He Lives

#364

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

God Be with You till We Meet Again

#672

(First stanza only)

POSTLUDE

VETERANS DAY RECOGNITION  
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 12, 2023  
DURING WORSHIP

Happy Birthday

5~Sarah Holbert  
9~Peggy Barrett  
10~Margaret Thornton  
11~Nathan Brown

“Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.”  
~Psalm 107:1

**Events this Week:**  
**Sunday, November 5, 2023**  
 Daylight Savings time Begins  
 9:30am Crusaders  
 9:30am Searchers  
 10:30am Worship  
 All Saints Remembrance Day  
 5:30pm Yoga in Choir Room  
 6:30pm Emotionally Healthy Spirituality Class

**Monday, November 6, 2023**  
 5:30pm SPPRC Meeting

**Wednesday, November 8, 2023**  
 5:00pm Sitting with Jesus  
 5:30pm Choir Practice  
 6:00pm Table Talk  
 6:30pm Classes Begin

**Thursday, November 9, 2023**  
 5:00pm Girl Scouts Meeting

**Friday, November 10, 2023**  
 Preparations for Thanksgiving Dinner

**Saturday, November 11, 2023**  
 Preparations for Thanksgiving Dinner

**Sunday, November 12, 2023**  
 9:30am Crusaders  
 9:30am Searchers  
 10:30am Worship  
 Veterans Day Recognition  
 11:00am Thanksgiving Dinner!!!

**Thanksgiving Dinner**  
**Sunday, November 12th**  
**11:00 am - 12:30 pm**  
**\$15 per meal**  
**Drive-Through Pick-Up or Dine-In**  
**Delivery available - call 243-4560**

Help is needed  
 November 10th -12th!  
 Sign-up on the main  
 bulletin board  
 or contact the church  
 office to sign-up  
**TODAY!**

November 5, 2023  
**First United Methodist Church**  
 740 West 11<sup>th</sup> St, Concordia, KS 66901  
 Church (785) 243-4560

Office Hours:  
 Monday —Thursday  
 9:00-4:00pm  
 Friday  
 Closed

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**Rev. Mark Crist, Pastor**

**Did you know?**  
**Total Attendance for October:**  
**248**  
**Last Weeks Offering: \$1856.00**

**Do No Harm ~ Do Good ~ Stay in Love With God.**  
**John Wesley**