Worship Guide November 1, 2026

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements **Pastor Andrew Chapdelaine**

Call to Worship

(Pastor moves to lectern left of the Lord's table)

Pastor: What kind of love has God given us?

Many: A love that proclaims we are God's very own.

Pastor: What kind of promise has God given us?

Many: God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.

Pastor: What kind of future has God given us?

Many: God will lead us to springs of life-giving water.

All: Let us worship God together!

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Song – LYH #85 "Thy Word" **Worship Leader Emmanuel**

(Note: people do not stand during the candle lighting)

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me.
And nothing will I fear, as long as you are near,
Please be near me, to the end.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

(Interlude: Child lights candle)

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
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Presenting the Word

Worship Leader: Your Word Lord, is eternal.

All: It stands firm in the heavens forever!" Psalm 119:89

(Bible is walked to the table)

Song - PH #582 "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines" Worship Leader Emmanuel

Leader: Please rise as able (or indicate rising with hands)

V1 – Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

V2 – World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

Leader: Please be seated

Confession and Pardon **Worship Assistant Tracy**

Call to Confession

Leader: Please join me as we confess our sins together.

Prayer of Confession

All: God of eternal life,
we gather in gratitude
for all the saints of the ages and of our lives.
We confess our sorrow as we ache
from their absence.
We hear you call us blessed,
but we do not find the comfort you promise.
We hear you promise
that a new heaven and earth will come,
but we long for it to hurry.
Be with us as we remember
those saints who have come before,
and your promise to them and to us.
Strengthen us until the day that your kingdom come,
and we will sing your praises in the great multitude,
on earth as it is in heaven.
In Christ's name, hear our silent prayers of return...

Moment of silence (as people confess their own sins)

Assurance of Pardon **Worship Assistant Tracy**

Leader: See what love our Creator has given us: we are children of God.

Many: Our God loves us, forgives us, and is with us through every trial.

Thanks be to God!

Doxology PH #608 **Worship Leader Emmanuel**

Leader: Please rise as able (or indicate rising with hands)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore.

Children's Blessing "You are Somebody" **Worship Leader Emmanuel**

Leader: Will the children come forward for the blessing

You are somebody, somebody on the Lord's side.
You are somebody, somebody on the Lord's side.
(Repeat)

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.
(Turn and share the peace with the people around you)

OFFERING

Invitation to Offering **Worship Assistant Tracy**

(WA to ask people to return to seats as needed before starting)

Leader: Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth.
The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,
The world, and those who live in it. (Ps 24:1)

Bread and Cup

Leader: For God so loved the world he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life!

(WA to pause and wait for the children to bring up the elements and recess to the back of the chapel)

Leader: Now, as Christ humbled himself and gave Himself on the cross on our behalf, let us consecrate our tithes and offerings to Him! Even more then this:

Let us "present our bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is our spiritual worship!

Presentation of tithes and offerings

Song - PH #692 "Spirit Open My Heart" **Worship Leader Emmanuel**

Leader: Please rise as able (or indicate rising with hands)

(Refrain)
Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.
Spirit, open my heart.

V1 – God, replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and tender.
All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender.

(Refrain)
Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.
Spirit, open my heart.

V2 – Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story.
In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory.

(Refrain)
Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.
Spirit, open my heart.

Dedication of Offering **Worship Assistant Tracy** (own words for prayer)

Leader: You may be seated.

THE WORD

Story Time: "Of Towers and Bridges" (Genesis 11:1-9)

Song LYH #88 "In the Bulb There Is a Flower" **Worship Leader Emmanuel**

V1 - In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise; butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,

Unrevealed until it's season, something God alone can see.

V2 - There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
There's a dawn in every darkness bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come a future; what it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until it's season, something God alone can see.

V3 - In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
In our doubt there is believing; in our life eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until it's season, something God alone can see.

(Children leave for Sunday School during song)

Leader: You may be seated.

(Emmanuel moves lectern to center front for sermon)

Prayer for Illumination **Pastor Andrew**

Leader: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today.

Leader: Our scripture today is Revelation 7:9-17. After the text is read, we will take a few minutes to meditate on God's Word. Hear the Word of the Lord:

Scripture Reading Revelation 7:9-17

9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. **10** They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!"

11 And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, **12** singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor

and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and
where have they come from?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he
said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed
their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

15 For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
16 They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,
17 for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

Response: Thanks be to God!

Silent Meditation

Sermon "As It Is In Heaven" Pastor Andrew

(Emmanuel moves lectern back to the left of the Lord's table)

Song PH #339 "Lift Every Voice and Sing" Worship Leader Emmanuel

Leader: Please rise as able (or indicate rising with hands)

V1 -Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of liberty.
Let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies;
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us,
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Let us march on, till victory is won.

V3 – God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who hast by thy might led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;
Lest our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;
Shadowed beneath thy hand may we forever stand,
True to our God, true to our native land.

Confession of Faith **Worship Assistant Tracy**

Leader: Please remain standing as we confess our faith from the Apostles' Creed:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living 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.

Leader: You may be seated.

Prayers of the People **Pastor Andrew**

Song LYH #50 "Shine, Jesus, Shine" **Worship Leader Emmanuel**

V1 - Lord the light of your love is shining
in the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us,
set us free by the truth you now bring us:
Shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain: Shine Jesus shine, fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze Spirit blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your Word, Lord and let there be light!

V2 - Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
From the shadows into your radiance;
By the blood I may enter your brightness,
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness:
Shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain: Shine Jesus shine, fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze Spirit blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your Word, Lord and let there be light!

Leader: You may be seated.

COMMUNION Led by Pastor Andrew

(Pastor moves behind the Lord's table)

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Pastor: As we prepare our hearts and minds for Communion, let us remember that this is not Christ's Community Church's table, or a Presbyterian table. This is God's table. Christ invites all who seek him to be nourished in communion with God and with one another. And so, my friends…

Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: Praise to you, O God, for all your works.
You created the world and called it good
and made us in your image to live together in love.
You made a covenant with us,
and even when we turned from you,
you remained ever faithful.
Therefore with all creation we sing your praise:

Song LYH #125 – "Great Thanksgiving" (Part 1) **Praise Team**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the Lord's name. Hosanna in the highest!
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Pastor: Thank you, O God, for sending us your Son.
He lived among us and told your story.
He healed the sick and welcomed sinners.
He shared our pain and died our death,
then rose to new life that we might live,
and all creation be restored.
Remembering your boundless love
revealed to us in Jesus Christ,
we break bread and share the cup,
giving ourselves to you
to live for him in joy and praise.
Great is the mystery of faith:

Song LYH #125 – "Great Thanksgiving" (Part 2) **Praise Team**

Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.
Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.

Pastor: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon these your gifts of bread and of the vine
that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ
and that we may be his body for the world.
By your Spirit unite us with Christ and one another

until we feast with him and with all your saints in
your eternal realm of justice and peace.
Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor are yours, almighty God,
now and forever.

Song LYH #125 – "Great Thanksgiving" (Part 3) **Praise Team**

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen,
Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray for God's rule on earth as Jesus taught us:
All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.
Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Pastor:
We give you thanks, God,
that on the night before he died,
Jesus took bread,
and after giving thanks to you, he broke it,
and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat. This is my body, given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.
And in the same way, Jesus took the cup, saying:
This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood,
shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.
For as often as you eat of this bread and drink of this cup,
you proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord, until he comes in glory.
With thanksgiving, let us offer God all that we are.

Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God!

Communion of the People

Pastor: The table is set. Our savior joyfully awaits. After the servers come forward, you are invited to come to the table, take one piece of bread, dip it into the cup of grape juice, and take both elements at the same time. There are also individual serving cups if you would prefer. If you need to be served in your seat, just raise your hand and the servers will come to you.
Would the servers please come forward at this time?

(Musical Interlude)

Prayer after Communion

Pastor: Living Christ, as you open the scripture to us you make yourself known in the breaking of the bread. Let us now go forth from this place, fed at your table and filled by the Spirit.
All: Let us walk with you all the days of our lives,
and proclaim the glory of your resurrection
to all the world. Amen.

SENDING

Charge and Blessing **Pastor Andrew**

(Pastor may stay behind the Lord's table or come out in front of it)
Pastor: Please stand for the benediction
(Pastor returns to pew)

Song LYH #137 "No One Will Ever Be the Same" **Worship Leader Emmanuel**

V1 - We're going to shine like the sun in the Kingdom of Heaven,
Shine like the sun in the Kingdom of Heaven;
We're going to shine like the sun in the Kingdom of Heaven
And no one will ever be the same.

And it's all in Jesus' name; and it's all in Jesus' name;
Yes it's all in Jesus' name that no one will ever be the same.

V5 - And it all starts now in the Kingdom of Heaven,
All starts now in the Kingdom of Heaven,
And it all starts now in the Kingdom of Heaven,
And no one will ever be the same.

And it's all in Jesus' name; and it's all in Jesus' name;
Yes it's all in Jesus' name that no one will ever be the same.

(Pastor recesses down the aisle during song)

Close