

***Hymn Psalm 126** Dunlap's Creek "We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight"
Josiah Gensler & Congregation

Old Testament Reading Ruth 1:1-18 *Pastor Steve*
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Message Family Matters: Making of a Family *Pastor Steve*

Musical Meditation *Charlie Postas*

***Hymn 319** Shine, Jesus, Shine

***Benediction**

***Parting Music**

*Join us for a time of refreshment and fellowship
in the narthex!*

WayFinders adult Bible Study at 11:45 in the Conference Room.



Rev. Dr. Stephen P. Fritz, Pastor



As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.
Joshua 24:15

November 3, 2024
8:55 a.m.

Staffed Nursery, Wheelchair Accessible.
Hearing Assistance, Large Print Bibles.
See AV table in back of church for assistance.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORDS DAY

Commitment Sunday

“Walking with Jesus, sharing Christ along the way”

We welcome our first time and returning guests to this service of Christian worship. We're glad you joined us. If you are seeking a spiritual community intimate enough to know you yet large enough to offer worship options and a variety of small groups to connect. We invite you to sojourn with us through the holidays while you discern if Wayside is a good fit for you/your family. Make an appointment with Pastor Steve if you'd like to discuss any aspect of the ministry.

Today, Wayside members and friends dedicate our financial commitments to the next ministry year 2025, even as we are reminded to check this year's giving for meeting our current pledge.

**Please stand as able in body, mind, or spirit.*

Greeting / Passing the Peace of Christ / Ways to Connect *Pastor Steve*

Prelude *Charlie Postas, Accompanist*
Lighting of the Worship & Peace Candles *Acolyte*

Call to Worship Mark 12:28-34 *Tad Hershey, Liturgist*

***Hymn 82 (vv. 1, 2 & 4)** Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven

Call to Confession Malachai 3:7-10 *Liturgist*

Unison Prayer of Confession *Liturgist*

Hear our prayer, O Lord, and be merciful to those of true confession. We have sinned in surrendering to the world's fear of scarcity, when you have called us to trust in your provision and abundance with contentment in life. We have sinned in expecting returns on our investment in your Church before simply giving ourselves away in love. Forgive us, Lord, for our lack of faith and action, and awaken us today to new life and joy in your service.

Assurance of Pardon Hebrews 9:11-14 *Liturgist*

Liturgist: Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are, I am, forgiven.

***Hymn 734** Glory Be to the Father / Gloria Patri

***Dedication for Stewardship Pledges**

Pastor Steve, Congregation

ONE: Jehovah-Jireh, God our Provider, we rejoice in Your provisions and come before you now to dedicate our intentions to provide for continuing ministry of Wayside Church in 2025. We make these pledges in faith recognizing that You have led us in the past, and believing You will lead us into each new day and year.

ALL: Hear us, O God, as we give You our thanks and praise.

ONE: For the founders of this church with a vision to serve their neighbors, and their financial commitments that launched this ministry by the Wayside,

ALL: We give You thanks and praise.

ONE: For those who joined the cause for Christ in this place over the years and have been longtime supporters of this ministry,

ALL: We give You thanks and praise.

ONE: For those who faithfully tithe a regular portion of their income, or go beyond as needed to bless this church,

ALL: We give You thanks and praise.

ONE: For those in transition or turmoil who give as they can, but invest more in time and talents to serve where needed and step up to lead if called,

ALL: We give You thanks and praise and pray for your blessing on their lives.

ONE: For friends you will raise up in the new year and in each generation to join us in this mission to our neighbors near and far,

ALL: We ask Your continuing guidance and care.

ONE: For young and old alike just learning about financial stewardship, and for our Finance Team guiding this ministry in times of abundance or want,

ALL: We give you thanks and praise and ask for your anointing and wisdom

upon on each child of God.

ONE: With our pledges for 2025, we dedicate our whole selves in gratitude for joy in life and comfort in death. Jehovah-Jireh – God our Provider, You have met our needs in the past, and we trust your Spirit to lead us from today into every tomorrow. Keep us faithful to these intentions, and grant us success in this world and your promised Glory.

ALL: Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! In the name of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayer Table for Giving & Lighting Candles / Offertory

Electronic givers may touch the offering plate with a cell phone or hand.

