

Throughout the Church...

For the Love of God & Country Town Hall
- Today at 11:45am

Bell Choir Rehearsal - Today @ 12:30pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - Today @ 1pm

Office CLOSED on Monday

Personnel Meeting - Tuesday @ 10am
Disciple Women - Tuesday @ 11am & 12pm
Justice Through Faith - Tuesday @ 1:30pm
Bible Study - Wednesday @ 10:30am
MLT Meeting - Wednesday @ 6:30pm
Christian Ed Meeting - Next Sunday @ 12pm



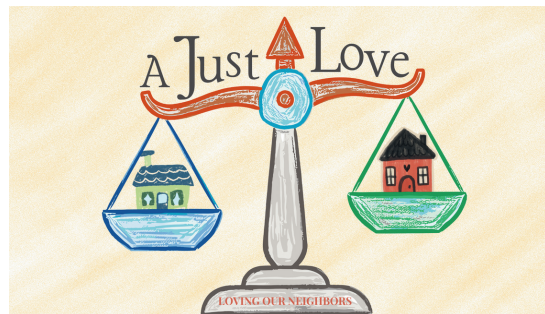
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to use the church building.
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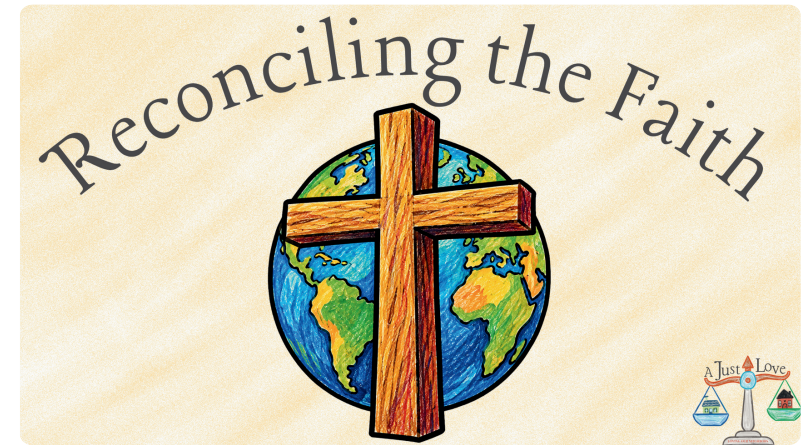
We are an open and affirming congregation that celebrates all people as sacred creations of a loving God. We embrace the fullness of human diversity - across orientations, identities, experiences, and backgrounds - and seek to follow Christ by offering love, compassion, and acceptance to all. In that spirit, we welcome everyone to participate fully in the life, leadership, and ministry of our church.



October's Theme:



Love and justice are not competing ideals, but inseparable expressions of God's vision for humanity. A just love refuses to accept division, fear, and inequality as inevitable features of our world. Instead, it calls us to recognize the sacred worth of every person and to build communities where dignity is protected, differences do not diminish belonging, and everyone has the opportunity to flourish. Throughout this series, we explore a love that reaches beyond individual acts of kindness to challenge the systems and circumstances that keep our neighbors from living fully. For justice is not simply about what we believe is right, but how we make God's love tangible in the world around us.



October 11, 2026
10:30am

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Today's Meditation
[Reconciliation] is the act of interrupting injustice without mirroring injustice, the act of disarming evil without destroying the evildoer, the act of finding a third way that is neither fight nor flight but the careful, arduous pursuit of justice.
-D A Carson

†Please Stand If You Are Able

Fellowship of the Church

Music for Meditation

Peace Be with You - Gawthrop

†Call to Worship

One: The world is loud and noisy and discombobulating.

Many: Listen to the still small voice.

One: Everyone seems certain, immoveable, and so utterly unchanged.

Many: Humble thyself in the sight of the Lord.

One: How can truth even break through, how will we hear God's gentle whisper?

Many: When we attune our hearts, God's calling is as loud as a trumpet blasting.

One: Who can I trust, who will not forsake me?

All: Trust always and only in the Lord, for God will never forsake us. Amen.

†Opening Hymn CH #6

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

†Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together:

All: O holy and merciful God, take pity on us. Humanity has lost ourselves in the wilderness again. Distracted by easy pleasure or reveling in violence, and too often convinced that we have earned all you have given us. Humble our hearts, O Lord. Remind us that some live only to survive the terrors of war. Forgive us for what we have learned not to see, and put on our hearts a renewed mission to heed your guidance and follow your will. We pray these things remembering that Jesus also gave You all the glory. Remembering Christ and the prayer he taught us, we pray it together now, saying:

†Vision Response CH #357

We Call Ourselves Disciples - words on screen

Children's Message Rev. Emily Williams

Special Music Jubilate Ringers

Break Thou the Bread of Life - arr. Lloyd Larson

Tithes & Offerings

My Faith Looks Up to Thee - Mason/Kirkland

†Doxology #46

Justice Through Faith Reflection Jenny Tripses

Equity

Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

The Word of God, for the people of God, thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Adam Bradley

Reconciling the Faith

†Hymn of Invitation CH #668

For the Healing of the Nations

A Time of Prayer

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to Christ's Table

All: Here we celebrate that all people are welcome at this table of God's grace.

Communion Hymn CH #349

My Jesus, I Love Thee

Elder Meditation & Blessing

Words of Institution

†Congregational Response CH #348

More About Jesus Would I Know vs 1 & 3

†Benediction

Postlude

Grand March - Krug



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Serving in Worship Today

Elders	Vickie Baker Roger Baker
Deacons	Chancel Head Kelsey Reynolds Laura Buckley Dan Cox Debbie Presnell
Lay Reader Tech	Connie Sinn Cindy Bridges Debra Kreps Natalie Woods
Greeters	Jan Cusac Pete Clausen
Counters	Owen & Alice Jury

Sunday School

Adult Classes	
The Open Table	Frank Wheeler
Responders Class	Becky Sisk
Youth Classes	
Friends with Jesus (Pre-k)	Chere Peters
Growing Disciples (1st-5th)	Kathleen Wheeler Natalie Woods

Staff

Rev. Adam Bradley	Lead Pastor
Rev. Mason Fitch	Associate Pastor
Heather Woods	Music Ministry Coordinator
Brian Woods	Organist
Brandy Ganschow	Child Care
Dianna Julien	Office Administrator
Donnie Smith	Custodian