Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
November 8, 2026
This Service is Live-streamed
Text prayer requests to 307-429-0339

Prelude

Morning Prayer
Gracious God, you call us to live each day with hearts prepared for your presence. When we grow distracted or weary, renew our faith and keep the light of hope burning within us. Teach us to use the gifts you have given us with wisdom, faithfulness, and love. Help us recognize the opportunities to serve others and share the light of Christ. Receive our worship today and strengthen us to live with patience, purpose, and expectation as we await your kingdom. Amen.

Welcome

***Call to Worship:**
Leader: Christ calls us to live with watchful, expectant hearts.
People: We come prepared to welcome Christ among us.
Leader: As we await Christ's coming, faith's light guides us.
People: Keep our lamps burning with hope, love, and faithfulness.
Leader: God calls us to prepare for tomorrow and to live faithfully today.
People: We gather to worship, ready to walk in Christ's light.

***Hymn:** *The Risen Christ* #3179 (W&S)

***Hymn:** *God of Wonders* #3034 (W&S)

Invitation to Prayer Text prayers to 307-429-0339
Sharing the Prayers of God's People
Silent Prayer
Lord's Prayer (using "sins")

***Hymn:** *You Are My All in All* #3040 (W&S)

Expressions of Discipleship
Offertory
*Doxology #94 (UMH)

***Community Prayer**
Faithful God, you have entrusted us with gifts, opportunities, and blessings to share. Receive these offerings and use them to keep Christ's light shining in our community and across the world. May our generosity reflect lives prepared to serve you faithfully. Amen.

Time with the Children

Scripture Reading: Matthew 25:1-13

A Witness: Keep Awake

***Hymn:** *As We Part for the Towns and Cities* x2 #3180 (W&S)

Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand as you are comfortable.
Assisted Listening Devices Available

Those Serving Today
Liturgist: Wendy Justice
Ushers: Don & Kathy Winkelmann
Presentation: Barbie Flack
Soundboard: Mike Flack
Streaming: Kamari Barth
Offering Team: Cyndi Clements & Kathy Winkelmann
Music: Larisa Barth
Fellowship: Native American Committee
Nursery: Cyndi Clements
Church Bell Ringer: Kamari Barth
Flowers:

Announcements
Pastor Jim's cell # (307) 751-8945
If you are a guest, welcome! Please fill out one of our Guest Forms and place it on the offering plate.

Church/Charge Conference: Our annual Church/Charge Conference will take place after worship on **November 15 at 11:00 am.**

Fall Bible Study: Last meeting today, Nov. 8th from 4:00–5:30 p.m.We'll explore Scripture through discipleship, faith, and courage. All are welcome.

Tweens and Teens: We are inviting youth aged 11 years and older to join us at the First United Methodist Church Sunday evening, November 22, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for pizza and fellowship.

Holiday Bazaar Saturday, November 14th 8-1: UWF annual holiday bazaar is coming up. If you would like to help, contact Barbie Flack..

Thanksgiving Dinner: Thursday, November 26th at 12:00 p.m. Please sign up at the Welcome Table with the number attending.

Advent Skits: The season of Advent is approaching. We will present weekly skits and need individuals who would like to participate. Sign up is on the Welcome Table.

Visitation Team: We are launching a Ministry of Presence to visit and encourage church members who are homebound, living in care facilities, or facing health and mobility challenges. Please sign up to participate in this ministry, request a visit, or contact Diane Hall for more information.

Here's What's Happening This Week:
11/9 - Nothing Scheduled
11/10- 9:00 am The Closet Open
11/11- 10:00 am Upper Room Coffee Hour
10:00 am Worship Meeting
11/12- 9:30 am Church Family Care
11/13 - 9:00 am UWF Bazaar Setup
11/14 - 8:00 am Holiday Bazaar
11/15 - 8:00 am Hand Bells Practice
9:30 am Worship Service
11:00 am Church/Charge Conference

Happy Birthday
Leigh Howard 11/8; Carol Stewart 11/8;
Carlos Lepe-Schmit 11/9;

September 2026 Financial Numbers:
Sept. Income $12,695; **Sept. Expenses** $18,242
YTD Income $141,229; **YTD Expenses** $155,116
Endowment Book Value $38,130
Endowment Mkt Value $49,843