



Our mission is to worship God, make disciples, and serve others.

September 20, 2026, Traditional 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome

Rev. Laurel McNeal

Centering Moment

“Live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ”
Philippians 1:27

Prelude

“Come, Ye Sinners”

arr. H. Colvin

*Call to Worship

Ed Mathus

In their wilderness wandering, the Israelites grumbled. The Lord
lighted their way and provided nourishment.

**In our life journeys, we will give thanks for the providence of the
Holy One.**

In their daily work, the laborers in the field grumbled with resentment
over gracious giving.

In our daily lives, we will rejoice at generosity shown to others.
As we seek to live our lives by the example of Christ, may we delight in God's grace.
We will offer caring presence and abundant generosity. We will even endeavor to give up our grumbling.

*Hymn of Praise "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" UMH 731

Prayer of Yearning

Let us pray: **Our greatest hope, O God, is to love as Jesus did, with grace and compassion. Clear the wandering paths of our minds and hearts, that your Spirit may fill us with grace to receive and share your blessings. Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson

Exodus 16:2-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat and ate our fill of bread, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites: 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.' " And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.' "

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.

Anthem "Come Ye, Sinners, Poor and Needy" arr. W. Jaquette
Chancel Choir

*Gospel Lesson

Matthew 20:1-16

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received a denarius. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a

denarius? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Message

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*Hymn of Response "O Jesus, I Have Promised" UMH 396

Offering our Finest Gifts to God

Offertory "Chronicles of Peace" #1 J. Stevens

*Doxology "Give Thanks" TFWS 2036

*Prayer of Dedication

Let us pray: **We offer these gifts, O God, in gratitude for your provision in our lives. We offer tangible gifts of money, where we are able, and tangible gifts of our time, our prayers, our service, and our witness to your abundant grace. Amen.**

Sharing our Lives
Community Prayer
The Lord's Prayer

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*Closing Hymn "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing" UMH 671

*Blessing

Postlude "Prelude and Fugue in C" J.S. Bach

*Please rise in body or spirit.

UMH – The United Methodist Hymnal (hard cover)

TFWS – The Faith We Sing Hymnal Supplement (black softcover)

W&S – Worship & Song Hymnal Supplement (green softcover)

Also serving the community today:

Ushers – Karen Warren & Marge Brown

Acolyte – Luke McDonold & Ella Burgess

Communion/Baptism Stewards – Cheryl Stephens & Mary Smith

Tech Team – Jacob Smith (XP), Winston Bain & Hannah Warren (11:00),
Cheryl Kempler (ZOOM)

Counting Team – Cheryl Kempler, Joyce Kraft & Anita Obinger

Children's Sunday School Facilitator – Karen Warren

Adult Studies Facilitator – Sue Garrison

We want to know about the gift of your presence with us today. Please take a moment to sign the friendship pad found in each pew.

Visiting today? We are so happy that you chose to worship with us. If you have any questions about our missions, ministries, or outreach opportunities, any of our members would be glad to answer them! If you did not receive a Welcome Packet when you came in, please ask for one as you leave today to learn more about our church.

Interested in membership? If the Spirit is moving you to make a commitment to Camp Chapel with your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness, please contact the church office: 410-256-5561 or office@campchapel.org

Prayer Concerns

Use this space to note today's prayer requests for your personal prayer time.

Known Prayer Concerns Within the Congregation

Insiders	Recently Bereaved	Special Concerns & Recovering
Dottie DeCarlo Helen Fringo Robert Lentz Jackie Potter Mary Foster Betty Conrad Edna Halcott Gloria Marks		Caregivers Marvin Gyr Florence Littleton Cheryl Welsh

THIS WEEK AT CCUMC

Sun 9/20	Mon 9/21	Tue 9/22	Wed 9/23	Thu 9/24	Fri 9/25	Sat 9/26	Sun 9/27
9:30am Sunday School		 Church Council 7pm Zoom				 8am-1pm	9:30am Sunday School



Upcoming Concerts

The Deer Creek Chorale Chamber Choir
Sunday, October 4, 3pm

Christmas Concert
Sunday, December 6, 3pm



SAVE
+THE+
DATE

Pumpkin Painting
Fall Tea
Holiday Bazaar
Gingerbread House Event
Live Nativity

Sunday October 25
Saturday, November 7
Saturday, November 21
Saturday, December 12
Saturday, December 19



The Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday September 26th. Volunteers are needed to help direct vendors early the morning of as well as help with setting up the white elephant table.

There is also a great need for a certified kitchen manager to oversee baking on Friday the 25th and at the yard sale. You don't have to cook, just be there as a person to make sure rules are being followed. Please see Barbara or call her at 443-823-7700 if you can help. You can also use the tear off below. You don't have to work the entire time, even an hour is appreciated!



Parking and vendors - 6-8 _____
Name/Contact #

White Elephant Table - 7-1 _____
Name/contact #

Bake/Food Table- 9-1 _____
Name/contact#

Baking - Friday September 25th 10-4 _____
Name/contact#



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