



All who exalt themselves will be humbled,
but all who humble themselves will be exalted



- Luke 18:14

Sunday, October 26, 2025

*Prayer candles are available at the communion rail
Financial gifts may be made in the wooden offering boxes
Please silence your electronic devices*

THE GATHERING & CARILLON PRELUDE

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Jesus Makes My Heart Rejoice Robert Elmore

THE CALL TO WORSHIP*

Liturgist

Then I will pour out my spirit on all flesh, thus says
the Lord.

Send down the fire of your justice.

Liturgist

Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.

Send down the rain of your love.

Liturgist

Your old shall dream dreams, and your young shall
see visions.

**Send down your Spirit,
breathe life in your people!**

Liturgist

In those days, I will pour out my spirit.

And we shall be people of God.

THE ENTRANCE HYMN*

UMH #152

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION*

Liturgist

Lord God in heaven, we confess that we try to
measure our faithfulness by comparing ourselves
with others.

**Lord Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us as sinners.**

Liturgist

Forgive us, O God, where we fail to see your Spirit's
work in others, in those who have lived before us.

**Lord Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us as sinners.**

Liturgist

Forgive us for choosing comfort and convenience
over faithfulness.

**Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us as
sinners.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

UMH p12

Pastor

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were
yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In
the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

AMEN.

THE GLORIA PATRI*

UMH #70

**THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
& THE LORD'S PRAYER**

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Joel 2: 23 - 32

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Jay Althouse

In Jesus' Name We Pray

THE THANKSGIVING & DOXOLOGY*

UMH #94

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 18: 9 - 14

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

UMH #393

Spirit of the Living God

THE MESSAGE

The Reverend Don Ackerman

Prayers That Break Open Heaven

THE CLOSING HYMN*

UMH #581

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

THE BENEDICTION*

THE POSTLUDE

Dietrich Buxtehude

Toccata in F Major

* - Please stand as you are able
UMH - The United Methodist Hymnal

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Reverend Don Ackerman

Pastor

Megan Smith

Liturgist

Julie Smith

Director of Children's Ministries

The Crossroads Choir

Beth Polen, *Director of Music Ministries*

Bruce Schutrum

Guest Organist

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS 2025

DECEMBER PRINT NEWSLETTER

Deadline: Sunday, November 16

Please email your holiday news for our next print newsletter to christopher@crossroads120.org by the deadline!

HANGING OF THE GREENS

Saturday, November 29 - 9:00 am

Mark your calendars! Everyone in the church is invited to help!

Happy
Birthday

10/26 - Daniel Harsh
10/27 - Jeri Johnson,
Nathan Taylor, Anna Radosevic
10/30 - John Thiessen,
Joanne Spees
10/31 - Erin Smith
11/2 - Andrea Edie

THIS WEEK AT CROSSROADS

Wednesday, October 29

Men's Prayer Breakfast

9:00 am - Conference Room

Friday, October 31

Gibbs Food Ministry

2:00 pm - Education Wing

All Saints' Sunday

-NEXT SUNDAY, November 2, 2025-
Please bring framed photos of any loved ones
who have entered into eternal life



United
Women
in Faith

Tuesday, November 4

1:00 pm

Denny's on Tusc

All women are welcome to our monthly Denny's lunch!

Contact: Nancymae Scheurer - nbshymn@yahoo.com

Saturday, November 8

11:15 am - 1:15 pm

Simpson United Methodist Church

4900 Middlebranch Ave NE

-Please RSVP Karen Zotta-

All women are invited to this special program about Chasing Hope House, which prepares foster teens for independent living.

Please bring donations of full-size toiletries, socks, shelf-stable snacks and easy meal staples to the program.

SIGN UP FOR OUR EMAIL NEWSLETTER

The Crossroads Chronicle Weekly

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To help keep our sacred space clean, at the conclusion of the service,
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