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McFarlin Memorial United Methodist Church
Sanctuary Worship: November 15, 2026

Call to Worship God So Loved the World - John Stainer Trevor Napoli, organ scholar

Welcome Wendi Neal

***Hymn # 66** Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

***Responsive Psalm (based on Psalm 148:1-6)** Rockford Johnson

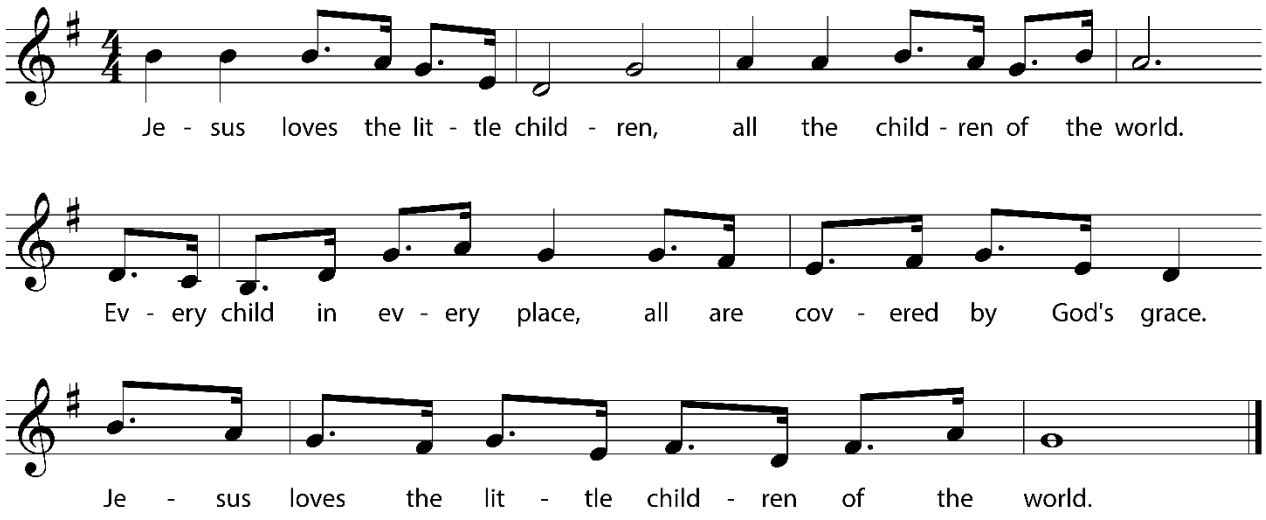
Leader: Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens, and in the high places;
all you great cloud of witnesses, praise the LORD.
All: Sun and moon, and star strewn cosmos; edges of the universe, and echoes of creation, praise the LORD!
Leader: Praise the name of the LORD, who commanded and they were created;
All: who set them in place for ever and ever; who gave them order which will never fade away.

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Handbell Anthem (8:30) God of Grace and God of Glory - Jason Krug Handbell Quartet
(11:00) Light Dawns on a Weary World - Sandra Eithun Carillon Handbells

Congregational Prayer/The Lord's Prayer Rockford Johnson

Children's Time Becky Krueger



Children's worship for grades K-5 will dismiss following the children's message at the 11:00 service.
Children can be picked up by a parent following the service: K – 2nd - Room 301; 3rd – 5th - Room 306

***Hymn # 626** Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Invitation to Our Offering Rockford Johnson

Anthem (8:30) Promise - Craig Courtney — McFarlin Singers

New branches dripping in gossamer green, skies low and sodden with rain.
Warm earth that pulses with newness of life, whisper the promise of spring.
Snowcaps melt slowly from high mountain peaks, changing to rivers and streams.
Rivers find ocean at long journey's end, rise in a fine mist of dreams.
Shadows of night swiftly pass, unveiling the sun;
light of the promise that beats in the heart of love.
Crimson horizon where water meets sky, fiery sun slips away.
Gone for awhile in the dark ocean deep, leaving the promise of day.

(11:00) For the Beauty of the Earth - John Rutter — Chancel Choir
UMH # 92

***Doxology # 94**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Scripture Reading — Gen 1:1 and Isaiah 40:21-22, 25-26 — Rockford Johnson

Sermon — God and the Cosmos: Aliens and Life Beyond Earth — Wendi Neal

Invitation to Christian Discipleship — Wendi Neal

***Hymn # 150** — God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

***Reception of New Members**

We welcome you to this congregation and with you we renew our vows
to uphold the church with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.

***Sending Forth** — Wendi Neal

***Benediction # 62** — All Creatures of Our God and King, vs. 7

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise ye! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One!
O praise ye! O praise ye! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude — Interstellar - Hans Zimmer, arr. Anna Lapwood — Stephen Wurst, organist

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