CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR

United Methodist

A Christian Community Committed to Growing Deeper in Faith and Pursuing God's Hope for Every Life

October 18, 2026

11:00 a.m., Great Hall

Rev. Andy Call, Lead Pastor
Rev. Cindy Patterson, Administrative Pastor

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREAT HALL **11:00 a.m.**

OPENING TO GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME The Rev. Andy Call

* CALL TO WORSHIP [1] Sarah Dick

One: We come to the table to be fed, but also to share our abundance.
Many: We are nurtured by God's love, the Source of our joy.
One: Jesus generously shared his mercy and compassion with everyone he met.
Many: He invites us to do the same.
One: The rampant self-interest of our modern life needs pruning...
Many: so that we can build up one another as neighbors, not others.

* HYMN OF PRAISE #100 *God, Whose Love Is Reigning O'er Us* LAUDA ANIMA

CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Call

PRAYER OF CONFESSION [2]

Generous God,
Forgive us for succumbing to a scarcity mindset,
insisting that there isn't enough to go around.
Help us remember that the Vine provides all we need
if we will only stay connected, stay green, stay alive with hope.
Even though it is difficult,
help us to share, not grip tightly;
help us to serve, not judge;
help us to reach out. not pull back.
Help us to risk reciprocal relationship
so that our love produces a bounty that feeds all.

(Silence is kept.)

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

One: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
Many: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

MINISTRY OF MUSIC — *I Am the Vine* — Norman Warren
Chancel Choir

* THE GOSPEL LESSON — John 15:1-5, 9-11 — Ms. Dick

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Many: Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE — *Abide in Love* — Rev. Call

OFFERING OUR LIVES IN DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN OF REFLECTION #544 — *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song* — BRIDEGROOM

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS — The Rev. Cindy Patterson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever.

GIVING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS — Rev. Call

OFFERTORY — *My Lovely One* — G. Finzi
Chancel Choir

* DOXOLOGY (#95) & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP #549 — *Where Charity and Love Prevail* — ST. PETER

* BENEDICTION — Rev. Call

* POSTLUDE

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* The people may stand.

Don Verkuijlen, Director of Traditional Music & Organist; Ethan Morris, organ scholar

[1 & 2] Marcia McFee, Worship Design Studio (adapted)

The flowers on the altar are dedicated in honor of
Church of the Saviour's small groups and their leaders.

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, October 19

Choral Evensong Worship at Fairmount Presbyterian Church, 7:00PM

Friday, October 23

Jr. Youth—Outdoor Games, 7:00PM

Saturday, October 24

Cedar Lee Arts District Candy Crawl, 3:00PM-6:00PM

Visit cotsumc.org/events for additional programming information and regularly scheduled events.

Please register your attendance at today's worship service.
Thank you!