

# Order of Worship for October 12, 2025

**Prelude** "Largo from Symphony No. 9" by Antonin Dvořák

**Welcome** The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson

**Call to Worship** based on Psalm 66

Shout for joy to God, all the earth!

**Sing the glory of God's name; make his praise glorious.**

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

**Great is your power; your enemies cringe before you.**

All the earth bows down to you."

**We join with them to sing the praises of your name.**

**Hymn 694** "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

**Prayer of Confession \***

Almighty God, you are the source of our life, health and strength. When we are in need, we cry to you for help and healing. We confess that too often we seek confidence in our own strength. We take your blessings and continue on our way, rather than returning to you in worship and praise. Have mercy on us. It is easy to take for granted the ease of life we often experience, while failing to question why others are pushed to the margins or excluded. It is tempting to take pride in our abilities rather than confronting ableism in all its forms. Forgive us. Help us to grow in compassion for all people. Redirect our paths so that we return to you, offering our gratitude. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Old Testament** Genesis 2:4 - 25

**New Testament** Colossians 1:15-20

**Sermon** "The Second Account of the Creation"

**Special Guitar Music** played by Austin Duncan

**Affirmation of Faith** (from *A Brief Statement of Faith*)

In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

**Doxology**

**Prayer of Dedication +**

Generous God, thank you for the gift of salvation through Christ your Son. You bring joy to our hearts! Help us to respond to your grace by sharing our faith, talents, and monetary blessings through the ministries of this church. May your loving Spirit shine through all that we say and do. Accept these gifts that we offer through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

**Sharing Joys, Thanksgiving and Prayer Concerns**

**Prayers of the Church and the Lord's Prayer** (*trespasses*)

**Hymn 670** "Go Forth for God"

**Benediction**

**Postlude** “Legende” by P. I. Tchaikovsky

\* Adapted from a prayer by Stephanie Sorge for Presbyterian *Outlook*  
[https://pres-outlook.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/Outlook-Order-of-Worship-10\\_12.pdf](https://pres-outlook.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/Outlook-Order-of-Worship-10_12.pdf)

+ Prayer by Dr. Rosanna Anderson for UMC Discipleship Ministries  
<https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/offertory-prayers-and-invitation-for-october-2016>

### **Church Calendar**

Saturday, October 11 **Fall Fair** 10:00 a.m. – noon  
Bring your family and friends to this fun event! Please drop off  
Bake Sale items from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Thank you very much!  
**Alcoholics Anonymous** 5:00 p.m.  
Connect with the facilitator by emailing [info@finyaa.org](mailto:info@finyaa.org).

Sunday, Oct. 12 **Worship and Fellowship** 10:00 a.m.  
Everyone is welcome to join in worship God in person or via  
live stream and stay for conversation and refreshments.

Monday, Oct. 13 **Columbus Day** Church Office Closed

Tuesday, Oct. 14 **Alcoholics Anonymous** 6:15 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 15 **Bible Study** 9:00 – 10:00  
a.m.  
Our hybrid group meets in the church Parlor to discuss “A Is for  
Alabaster” through “E Is for the Ethiopian Eunuch” (111–132).  
**Tots Time** 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.  
Friendship is the theme of this gathering for toddlers and  
caregivers.

Thursday, Oct. 16 **Senior Luncheon** noon – 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 18 **Alcoholics Anonymous** 5:00 p.m.



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