



ROOTED IN LOVE.
GROWING IN FAITH.
SERVING WITH JOY.

July 26, 2026

9th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude: Canticle of Faith by Fenton Groden

Welcome

Call to Worship

One: Beloved, this is the core of our faith: nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

All: Thanks be to God!

One: God's never-ending love surrounds us and calls us, assuring us that through God's love, all things will work together for God's good purposes.

All: Thanks be to God!

One: God's never-breaking love empowers us in the face of temptation, distress, division, and scarcity to hold onto our faith and work together for the flourishing of all God's good creation.

All: Thanks be to God!

One: Come, let us worship God who is Love, trusting that through joy and sorrow, happiness and despair, contentment and pain, Love will carry us through.

All: Thanks be to God who forms, connects, and guides us through Love. Amen.[†]

***Hymn:** O Worship the King

UMH 73

Opening Prayer

Children's Time

Scripture: Matthew 13:3-9, 18-23

Sermon: Who We Are to Be #3
Claim the Kingdom of God

***Hymn:** Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom UMH 508

***The Apostle's Creed** UMH 881

Blessings & Concerns

One: Lord, in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Offering: The Kingdom of God

***Doxology** UMH 95

***Hymn:** Without Seeing You FWS 2206

***Benediction & Response**

Sending: Postlude in F by Rex Koury

W&S: Worship & Song (Green)

PB: Pew Bible (Blue)

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UMH: UM Hymnal (Red)

FWS: Faith We Sing (Black)

*You may stand.

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