

Anthony Community Methodist Church
18th Sunday after Pentecost
Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson
October 12, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” UMH #89

Call to Worship **Liturgist: Sue Wilson**

L: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you people!

P: With shouts of joy we celebrate the good news of God's love.

L: Open your hearts to the warmth of God's redeeming love.

P: God has poured such wonder into our lives!

L: Come, let us worship God with hearts and souls and voices!

P: Let our praise ring to the rafters and ascend to the heavens!

AMEN.

Opening Prayer

For the healing love you have offered to us; for the patience you have with us; for your presence that will never fail, we give you thanks, O Lord. Bring our hearts and spirits to you that we may grow in our faith and service to you by serving others. We ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

We Hear God's Word

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 28: 11-14

Second Reading Proverbs 3: 1-10

Psalm 4: 1 and 5: 1-3 read responsively

L: Answer me when I call. O God who declares me innocent. Take away my distress. Have Mercy on me and hear my prayer:

P: O Lord, hear me as I pray. Pay attention to my groaning. Listen to my cry for help, my King and my God, for I will never pray to anyone but you. Listen to my voice in the morning Lord. Each morning, I bring my requests to you and wait expectantly.

Hymn of Preparation

“He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought”
UMH #128

Gospel Reading

Matthew 11: 25-30

Today's Message

Jennifer Hoy

God Calls Us to Respond

PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE (Joys and Concerns)

The Lord's Prayer

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology #95,

Prayer of Dedication

All: Lord, we give thanks for the blessings you have bestowed upon us. As we offer these tithes and offerings, we do so with grateful hearts to be used to further your kingdom. AMEN.

Closing Hymn “God Will Take Care of You” UMH #130

Sending Forth with Blessing

Postlude

Ministers.....	EVERYONE!
Lay Pastor.....	Shirley Nelson
Liturgist.....	Sue Wilson
Organist/Pianist.....	Eileen Van Meeteren

IN THE CIRCLE OF OUR CONCERN:

OUR COUNTRY, OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, our church, our
community leaders, our president, our farmers, Bobby Lewis,
Tom & Cindy Herrick, Ed and Carol Davis, Brad Harbaugh, Alta Patterson,
Trisha Theisen, Keith Allman, Eleanore Lewis, Rick Gubbels, Lana Kropf,
Tracy Lewis, Peggy Hansen, Bettina Perkins,
Barb Madsen, Elwanda Sheriff, Joyce Gothier, Jeanette Kummer,
Stephanie Johnson, Brittany Miller, Allison Randall, Sally Schram, Kathy
Hodgdon, Chauncey Wilson, Evelyn Dicks (Becky Marshall's mother),
Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

Please let us know if anyone should be added or removed from this list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

October 13: Finance and Administrative Board Meeting 4:30 p.m.

October 19: Laity Sunday. Laity will be presenting the service under the direction of Kathy and Erin. Following the service, we will be enjoying a POTLUCK and Fellowship. Bring your favorite dish and plan to fellowship and eat together.

October 23: Women of Faith Meeting, 10:30

November 2: All Saint's Day

Help Needed: We are in need of a preschool Sunday School teacher. If you would like to teach or team teach with a friend, contact Shirley or Kathy. We have several little ones who would like to come to Sunday School.

Mission Projects:

We will again be collecting clothes, especially men's clothes for the Gospel Mission this fall and coats for the Gospel Mission and the Warming Shelter. We have contacted the Warming Shelter and Gospel Mission and they are prepared to take coats and blankets and clothes as soon as we bring them, so please feel free to bring them and leave them in the foyer.

Oct. Readers: Oct. 19-Laity, Oct. 26-Roger Hladik

Oct. Children's Story: N/A

Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries: Drew Gothier (17), Cody Randall (21).

Sept./Oct. Upper Room Devotionals are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

Anthon Military: To our men and women in uniform.... past, present and future, God Bless You and Thank You!

If you have a loved one connected to the service, please let us know.

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