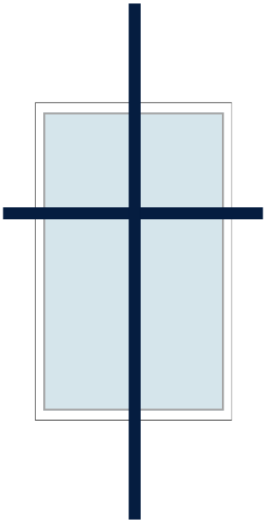
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THE LORD'S DAY

NOVEMBER 8TH, 2026

Leading men, women and children to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, and helping them grow in Him and serve Him in the church and in the world.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

NOVEMBER 8TH , 2026

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

A CALL FOR GOD'S PEOPLE TO WORSHIP
In this way, our gathered worship is a conversation initiated by God between himself and his people.

MEDITATION IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

"*Everything that seemed most dependable has given way. Mountains are falling and earth is reeling. In such a time it is a profound comfort to know that although all things seem to be shaken, one thing is not: God is not shaken*"
- Elisabeth Elliot, Facing the Death of Someone You Love, pg. 8

"*Come, Philip, let us sing the forty-sixth psalm and let the devil do his worst*."
- Martin Luther, speaking to his friend Philipp Melanchthon, whenever they were discouraged.

† **CALL TO WORSHIP** .....Psalm 66:8-9

All: Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard, who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip.

† **PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

† **HYMN OF PRAISE**..... *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*
Hymn No. 345

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Charlee Ann Prather

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH
We stand shoulder to shoulder with those saints who have gone before us and embrace the timeless doctrinal truths of the Gospel

† **CONFESSION OF FAITH** The Heidelberg Catechism, Q. No. 28

Leader Let us declare together what we believe: How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?

All: We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing will separate us from his love. All creatures are so completely in his hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.

† **Please Stand**

GOD CLEANSES US
Within the context of our relationship with God, we are invited in safety, not shame, to consider our sins. God loves us despite our sins. We rehearse this truth each week by confessing our sins corporately and leaning into his renewal, restoration, and cleansing.

CONFESSION OF SIN ..... Derek Thomas

Leader: Let us confess our sins together before our God:

All: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people, we acknowledge and confess our manifold sins, which we have committed in thought, word, and deed. We confess that we have yielded to fear and a measure of panic as we think about what is happening in the world right now. We have taken our eyes off of you and your power. We have allowed a worldly spirit to engulf us. We have lost the joy of what it means to be a Christian. Forgive us, dear Lord. Fill us with your Spirit. In Jesus' name. Amen.[1]

MOMENT FOR SILENT CONFESSION OF PERSONAL SIN

PROMISE OF PARDONING GRACE ..... Hebrews 4:14-16

Leader: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

CHORAL ANTHEM ..... *There is a Higher Throne*

There is a higher throne
Than all this world has known
Where faithful ones from ev'ry tongue
Will one day come
Before the Son we'll stand
Made faultless through the Lamb
Believing hearts find promised grace
Salvation comes

Hear heaven's voices sing
Their thund'rous anthem rings
Through em'rald courts and sapphire skies
Their praises rise All glory wisdom pow'r
Strength thanks and honour are
To God our King who reigns on high
Forever more And there we'll find our home
Our life before the throne
We'll honor Him in perfect song
Where we belong
He'll wipe each tear-stained eye
As thirst and hunger die
The Lamb becomes our Shepherd King
We'll reign with Him

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH ..... Elder, Rod Mackert

GOD COMMUNICATES WITH US
God's Word itself has power. The Preaching of God's Word is one of the chief means of grace by which God's people grow.

WORSHIP THROUGH THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
You can bring your OCC boxes to the stage

† DOXOLOGY AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING
Children, ages 4 – 1st grade, may be dismissed for Children's Church.

SONG OF PREPARATION .....*Father, Long Before Creation*

Father, long before creation
Thou hadst chosen us in love,
And that love so deep, so moving,
Draws us close to Christ above.
Still it keeps us, still it keeps us.
Firmly fixed in Christ alone.

Though the world may change its fashion,
Yet our God is e'er the same;
His compassion and His covenant
Through all ages will remain.
God's own children, God's own children
Must forever praise His name.

God's compassion is my story,
Is my boasting all the day;
Mercy free and never failing
Moves my will, directs my way.
God so loved us, God so loved us
That His only Son He gave.

Loving Father now before Thee
We will ever praise Thy love,
And our songs will sound unceasing
'Til we reach our home above,
Giving glory, giving glory
To our God and to the Lamb;
Giving glory, giving glory
To our God and to the Lamb.

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READING OF GOD'S WORD.....Psalm 46:1-11

PROCLAIMING AND HEARING GOD'S WORD Rev. Dave Vosseller

"Our Refuge, Strength, and Fortress"

† HYMN OF RESPONSE ..... *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*
Lyrics pg. 92

† BENEDICTION.....Numbers 6:24-26
Leader: The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

[1] Derek W. H. Thomas, Approaching the Throne of God: Confessions of Sin and Assurances of Pardon (Christian Focus, 2025), pg. 64.

SERMON NOTES – PSALM 46

Theme: Where is Our Confidence Amid a World in Upheaval?

I. Safe in Christ Amid the Chaos (v. 1-3)

II. Secure in Christ Because of His Presence (v. 4-7)

III. Submit to Christ in Light of His Certain Victory (v. 8-11)

Preaching: Rev. Dave Vosseller **Leading Worship**: Rev. Bryan Villarreal

30 Days of Prayer

NOVEMBER 2026

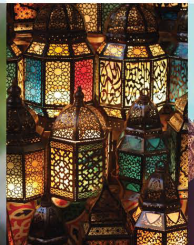
A Month of Prayer for Global Missions

mtw Mission to the World

Please join millions around the world in praying on November 1, the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church, as we remember believers who suffer simply because they confess Jesus Christ as Lord.

"At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison—that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak." *Col 4:3-4*

NOVEMBER 1: International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Pray for believers around the world who are persecuted for their faith. Ask God to give them perseverance, protection, and boldness.	**2** Pray for the core team of Cornerstone Community Church–Nairobi as they establish a gospel-centered church that aims to reach Nairobi, Kenya's diverse communities.	**3** Pray for Church Planting Institute Japan's November 2026 conference and for U.S. volunteers traveling to assist. Pray that the conference will be encouraging and have lasting impact.	**4** Pray for continued growth of the church planting network in northern Mexico.	**5** Pray for the launch of RUF-G across Europe (Brussels, Krakow, Helsinki, and London) and for students to discover the hope of the gospel. Pray for university work in Italy as well.	**6** Pray for the many short-term trip participants who have gone out this year. Pray that the Lord would call many of them to go as longer-term missionaries.	**7** Pray for the equipping and launching of dispersed Syrian Muslim background believers back to Syria—to multiply disciples and plant churches.
8 Pray for sound, biblical, Christ-centered churches to be planted in Malawi and a strong, healthy presbytery to form.	**9** Pray that Japanese teenagers will meet Jesus through Connect and Bridge, tween and teen youth ministries in Nagoya, Japan.	**10** Pray for insight into what new fields to open in the Americas region, as well as for open doors.	**11** Pray for Oxford Presbyterian Church to faithfully share the gospel among the many nations represented in this U.K. city.	**12** Praise for the many people who serve in missions through MTW's home office. Pray that the Lord would encourage both staff and their families.	**13** Pray for the church in Israel and Palestine to know the Messiah's peace and to show Christ's love to the watching world.	**14** Pray for national partners planting Reformed Presbyterian churches in Johannesburg, South Africa, and in Zomba, Malawi.
15 Pray for God to call additional missionaries and local believers to serve at Christ's College in Taiwan, as well as for new students.	**16** Pray that God would raise up missionaries for the Caribbean who are gifted in church nurture and leadership development.	**17** Pray for ministry among the largely unreached Roma people group in Slovakia and beyond.	**18** Pray for new church structures in Syria to provide support, accountability, and ordained leadership. Pray for unity and brotherly love among all new church movements there.	**19** Pray for our medical ministry that teams would bring encouragement, increased credibility and visibility to churches, and for gospel fruit.	**20** Pray for two graduates from the Timothy House program in Senegal beginning rural church planting. Pray also for two men from Guinea Bissau, training to be pastors in The Gambia.	**21** Pray for Setagaya Grace Church in Tokyo, Japan, to be strengthened by Christ and empowered by the Spirit. Pray for revival.
22 Pray that God would raise up Native American and First Nations church leaders. Pray for existing leaders to stay the course, be strong, and be courageous.	**23** Pray for many churches across Europe that struggle to find or keep a consistent place to meet.	**24** Pray for God to call five new team leaders to launch new teams among unreached people groups.	**25** Pray for the planning of internships across the world for the summer of 2027. Pray that God would call many young adults to participate.	**26** Pray for our missionary counseling team which provides counseling to MTW missionaries and MKs all over the world.	**27** Pray for physical, spiritual, and emotional protection for those working with Native American and First Nations peoples. Ask God to give discernment and sensitivity for their unique context.	**28** Pray for a just end to the war in Ukraine and for continued protection of believers and churches there.
29 Pray for a missionary who oversees a pastoral training ministry in a Muslim majority West African country which has seen a rise in jihadist activity and persecution.	**30** Pray for missionary kids to know God, grow in their relationship with Him, and serve as agents of His grace.				Follow daily posts on Instagram @mtwglobal mtw.org/30dop 	