PLYMOUTH CHURCH



11:30 Gathering of Grace Sunday, June 29 + 2025

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

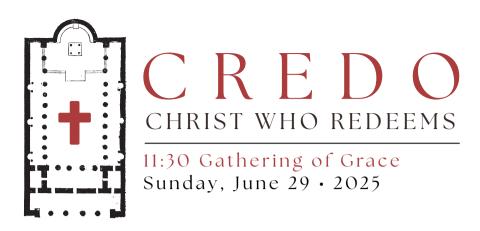
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



please stand in body or spirit when you see an

Welcome and Announcements

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear. What a privilege to carry, Everything to God in prayer. O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear. All because we do not carry Everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations, Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged; Take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; Take it to the Lord in prayer.

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*Passing of the Peace

*Invocation

*Gloria

Glory to the Creator, and the Christ and the Spirit so near, as it was from the start, so it shall be forever, one God, always here.

Scripture Reading

John 14:15-27

Pew Bible NT pg. 109

Reader The Word of God for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God!

Word Through Music

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Valerie Miller-Coleman

Credo: Holy Spirit Who Sustains

Call to Offering

Where No One Stands Alone

Elvis Presley

Prayer of Dedication

*Plymouth Covenant (Please, join in reading.)

In the love of truth and in the spirit of Jesus, we unite for the worship of God, and the service of all.

We seek to know the will of God and to walk in God's ways, made known or to be made known to us; to love one another; to proclaim the Gospel to all the world; to work and pray for the progress of knowledge, the promotion of justice, the reign of peace, and the realization of our shared humanity.

And we look with faith for the triumph of righteousness and the gift of life eternal. Amen.

Orphan Girl

Gillian Welch

People's Prayer

Respond after each petition with "Lord, Hear Our Prayers."

The Lord's Prayer

Our Creator, 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

*I Hear a Call

I hear a call
Now will I answer
Forsake my all to serve another
Though darkness falls
Stay a believer
I hear a call
Now will I answer

I see a light
Now will I follow
Fill up this life That grows more hollow
Make joy reside where there lives sorrow
I see a light
Now will I follow

I hear a call from out of nowhere And from anywhere I go I hear a call Now will I answer

I feel a touch
Now will I hold on
Be there with love for those with no one
With a kindness such
It lives though I'm gone
I feel a touch
Now will I hold on

I hear a call from out of nowhere
And from everywhere I go
I see a light
Now will I follow
I feel a touch
Now will I hold on
I hear a call
Now will I answer

*Blessing

*Closing Song

God be with you 'til we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you, with a Shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you 'til we meet again.

Today's Service Participants

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Valerie Miller Coleman Liturgist: Rev. Michael Brecke Lay Reader: Andy Fry Gathering of Grace Band: Pam Gibbs, Arthur Dodge, Tom Holland, Patrick McCarty Sound, Lights, and Radio: Bob Newton Cameras and Video: Jeremy Winfrey





Plymouth Art **Classes** 20

25

upcoming classes!

The Writing Workshop - "Short-short Prose"

with Kirsten Bosnak

Initial Meeting: July 12 from 2:30-4pm 3-4 meetings of about 90 minutes

Participants will discuss the remaining meeting dates and times.

ages 16 - adult • 6-25 participants

This class will explore the chameleon genre of short-short prose that can show up as nonfiction, fiction, poetry or something else. Participants will write some of their own prose.

Make Your Own Loom - Weaving Class

with Carol Leffler

Meets at Plymouth Church ages 12-adult • 3-6 participants
Wednesday, July 16 • 1-3pm & Friday, July 18 • 1-3pm
Participants will learn the basics of weaving, how to make a simple loom, and will weave a small project — coasters, hot pads, small purse, wall hanging.





full list of classes and **online** registration here!



Beautiful Bugs - Clay Class

with 7an Gaumnitz

Saturday, July 12 • 1-3pm at Jan's studio

1.5-2 hours

1st - 5th grade

3-8 participants

This class will create bugs out of clay and glaze them.

Cost: \$10



with Jan Gaumnitz

Tuesday, July 15 • 1-3pm at Jan's studio

6th-12th grade

1.5-2 hours

3-8 participants

This class will explore poured painting medium and also create mixed media art.

Cost: \$10



with 7an Gaumnitz

Tuesday, July 29 • 2-4pm at Jan's studio

Adult

1.5-2 hours

This class will create cylinders in clay and glaze them.

Cost: \$10











the man legend

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

4 weeks starting June 22

at 10:45am

in the heritage room with Rev. Michael Brecke

Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a Lutheran pastor and major force in the church during the time of Nazi Germany. He was a founder of the Confessing Church, an alternative to the state churches of the day. He functioned as a spy and participated in a plot to assassinate Adolf Hitler. Ultimately, he was hung in a Nazi prison just as the war was ending.

Bonhoeffer was an accomplished pianist, a lover of Jazz, a friend of Adam Clayton Powell Jr., and more.

Let's take a walk together, in another time, when resistance to government oppression was part of the daily drama of life in the church.



United Church of Christ General Synod 35 July 11-15, 2025



GS35TEAM



Every two years faithful members of the United Church of Christ gather for General Synod – a time for inspirational worship, fellowship, and learning more about the U.S. and global ministries of our beloved community.

In July 2025, members of the Kansas-Oklahoma Conference, along with the Missouri Mid-South Conference, will welcome thousands from across the country for the UCC's 35th General Synod in Kansas City, Missouri.

We have volunteer needs in the areas of hospitality, worship, delegate and staff support, and more!

We are expecting around 3,000 guests, so this is our chance to showcase our Midwest hospitality. **Please consider volunteering!**

More information, volunteer shifts, and volunteer registration here!





Plymouth Children's Ministry

Welcome to the Gathering of Grace!

Children and youth are encouraged to worship with their families in this service.

Nursery services are available for infants, toddlers and Pre-K children in Room 205 South. We ask you to please bring your children to the nursery by 11:45!

There is also a family room for nursing parents in Room 204 South.

There are worship bags located on the north side of the narthex that are filled for activities and coloring pages for all ages!

If you are interested in learning more about our children's programs, please reach out! **christianed@plymouthlawrence.com.**

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