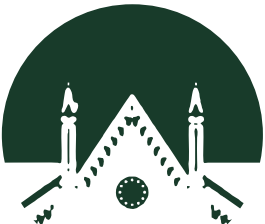




Called to Grow

In Service of All

Celebration of Worship
Sunday • November 16 • 2025



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please stand in body or spirit when you see an *

Greetings

Plymouth Chimes

Prelude

Middle School Handbell Choir

Come, Lift Your Hearts on High

Michael Ryan

*Call to Worship

Leader Open our hearts and minds, O God,
People that we may know you are calling us by name;

Leader calling us to serve,
People calling us to share,

Leader calling us to praise.
All Move among us, loving God,
as we give you thanks and praise!

423 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET LM

John Hatton (d. 1793)

Isaac Watts, 1719, alt.

Desc. David McKinley Williams, 1959

Descant

5. Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring Hon - ors pe -

1. Je - sus shall reign where - e'er the sun Does its suc -
 2. To Him shall end - less prayer be made, And prais - es
 3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue Dwell on His
 4. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er He reigns; The pris - oners

cu - liar to our King; An - gels de - scend with

ces - sive jour - neys run, His king - dom stretch from
 throng to crown His head; His name, like sweet per -
 love with sweet - est song, And in - fant voic - es
 leap to lose their chains, The wea - ry find e -

songs a - gain, And earth re - peat the loud A - men!

shore to shore, Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 fume, shall rise With ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 shall pro - claim Their ear - ly bless - ings on His name.
 ter - nal rest, And all who suf - fer want are blest.

5. Let every creature rise and bring
 Honors peculiar to our King;

Angels descend with songs again,
 And earth repeat the loud Amen!

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*Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

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(Found in your pew hymnal.)

*Prayer of Invocation *(Please, join in reading.)*

**God of Love, you bring life and hope to the neighborhood
and deep gratitude to all our living.**

Give us a wider vision of the world;

give us a broader view of justice;

give us dreams of peace

that refuse to be confined by the ways of this world.

Call us to serve, O God, and stir up within us the courage to answer.

In the strength of your Spirit and in the name of Christ we pray.

Amen.

*Gloria

Glory to the Creator,

and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ever shall be,

world without end. Amen.

Children's Hymn

Kum ba Yah vs. 1 & 4

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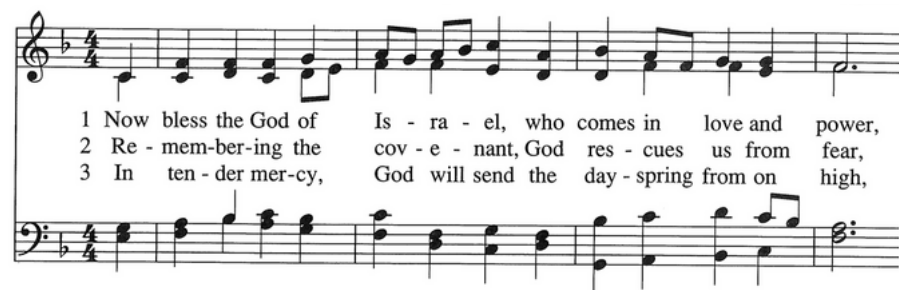
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Children's Celebration

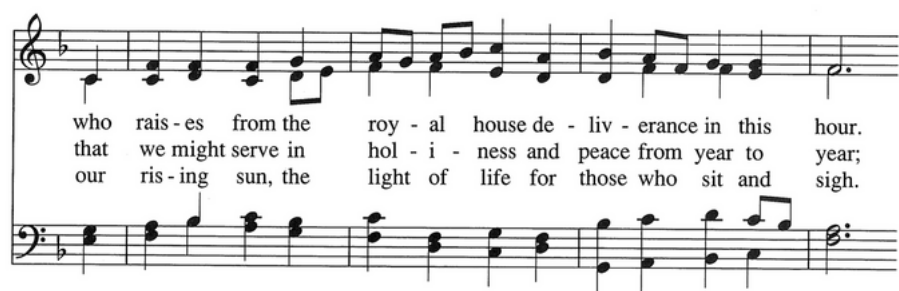
Children attending Sunday School go to their designated line up spot after the **Children's Celebration**. Teachers and guides will be holding signs to help you locate where your child should line up!

6th Grade Stepping Stone Blessing

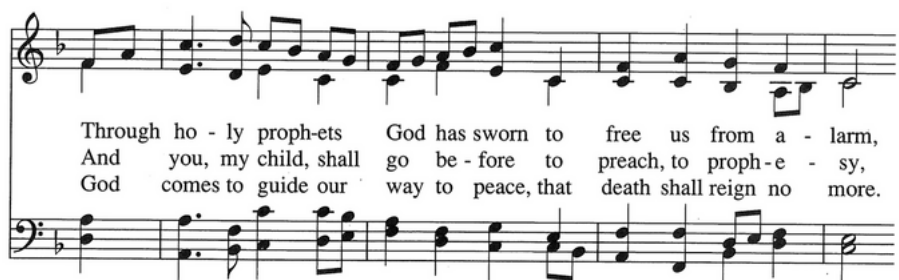
*Now Bless the God of Israel



1 Now bless the God of Is - ra - el, who comes in love and power,
2 Re - mem-ber-ing the cov - e - nant, God res - cues us from fear,
3 In ten - der mer-cy, God will send the day - spring from on high,



who rais - es from the roy - al house de - liv - erance in this hour.
that we might serve in hol - i - ness and peace from year to year;
our ris - ing sun, the light of life for those who sit and sigh.



Through ho - ly proph-ets God has sworn to free us from a - larm,
And you, my child, shall go be - fore to preach, to proph-e - sy,
God comes to guide our way to peace, that death shall reign no more.



to save us from the heav-y hand of all who wish us harm.
that all may know the ten - der love, the grace of God most high.
Sing prais-es to the Ho - ly One! O wor - ship and a - dore!

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 9:1-7

Pew Bible HB pg. 638

Reader The Word of God for the people of God.
All **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Lorraine Cenicerros



Call to Offering

Offertory
True Light

Keith Hampton

Chancel Choir
Marilyn Epp, accompanist

***Doxology** *(Please, join in singing.)*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, you heavenly host;
praise God, and Christ and Holy Ghost.**

***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.

Moment for Mission Annual Appeal 2026: **Called to Grow**

Call to Prayer (When prompted, join in bold text and singing.)

Leader The Lord be with you,
People and also with you.

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system of music corresponds to the lyrics: "Calm to the waves. Calm to the wind. Je - sus whis-pers, 'Peace, be still.'" The second system of music corresponds to the lyrics: "Balm to our hearts. Fears at an end. In still-ness, hear his voice." The score ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Calm to the waves. Calm to the wind. Je - sus whis-pers, "Peace, be still."

Balm to our hearts. Fears at an end. In still-ness, hear his voice.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, 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.**

(Sing again, Calm to the waves...)

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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(Found in your pew hymnal.)

*Benediction

Congregational Response *(People seated and singing.)*

**God be with you till we meet again.
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.
Amen.**

Plymouth Chimes

Postlude

Now Thank We All Our God
J.S. Bach
arr. Virgil Fox

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Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS 11.10.11.10 with refrain

Thomas Obediah Chisholm, 1923

William Marion Runyan, 1923

1. *Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,
 2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring-time and har - vest,
 3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee;
 Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

Thou chang - est not, Thy com - pas - sions they fail not;
 Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

As Thou hast been Thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Or "Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

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Refrain





*The flowers on the chancel are given by Barney Korbelyk
in Memory of Mia Schraeder Korbelyk.*

Today's Service Participants

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Lorraine Cenicer
Liturgist: Rev. Caroline Lawson Dean
Lay Reader: Sarah Whitten
Minister of Music & Fine Arts: Kim Manz
Children's Celebration: Colton Pasquale
Acolyte: Bennett Lyon
Lead Usher: Mary Lake
Sound, Lights, and Radio: Mark Gleeson
Cameras and Video: Aaron Polson



Welcome

New to Plymouth?



Please, let us know!



Trans Day of Remembrance

Trans Day of Remembrance is the day on which the LGBTQIA+ Community honors and mourns members of the Trans community who have lost their lives to violence and prejudice during the course of the previous year.

If you have lost a loved one and would like a safe space in which to mourn and honor their memory, the Open and Affirming Committee is offering a vigil in the small chapel between services **today**.

“Mystery Donor!”

We need your help! One of the many ways people may choose to support Plymouth Church is through the gift of appreciated stock.

We have received a donation into the Church's Charles Schwab account, but we cannot access the detailed donor information as Schwab has strict confidentiality limitations in place. We would like to give credit to the donor for this gift!

Please help us locate the mystery donor so we may record the gift on their behalf.

Please reach out to Melissa Praderio, the Accountant in the Church office, with any information you may have, or also as a heads up if you donate appreciated stock in the future.

Melissa Praderio

accountant@plymouthlawrence.com

785-843-3220



**Please plan ahead for
your 2025 gifts to
Plymouth at year end!**

The postal service is not as quick as it once was. Please keep in mind potential delays with mail delivery. Gifts received to the Church office by December 31, 2025 will be included on your 2025 Giving Statements.



LINK

**Sign up for LINK
THIS SUNDAY at
the Featured
Ministry Table!**

JUST FOOD SUPPORT



With the current uncertainty and delays in funding for SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), Plymouth's Service and Justice Board has taken immediate action to support food assistance in Douglas County.

Food Donations

To donate food items, we have collection containers at both the north and south entrances to the church. A list of Most Needed Food Items will be available at the Featured Ministries Table.

We need a few volunteers to take the collected items over to Just Food. There will be a sign-up sheet for delivery volunteers at the Mission Table.

Monetary contributions

You can contribute to this emergency fund being organized through DCCF as a collective effort by making a donation here.

Pastors' Emergency Fund

Poinsettias 2025

Each year during the Christmas season, we decorate our sanctuary with beautiful poinsettias.

Order
Online

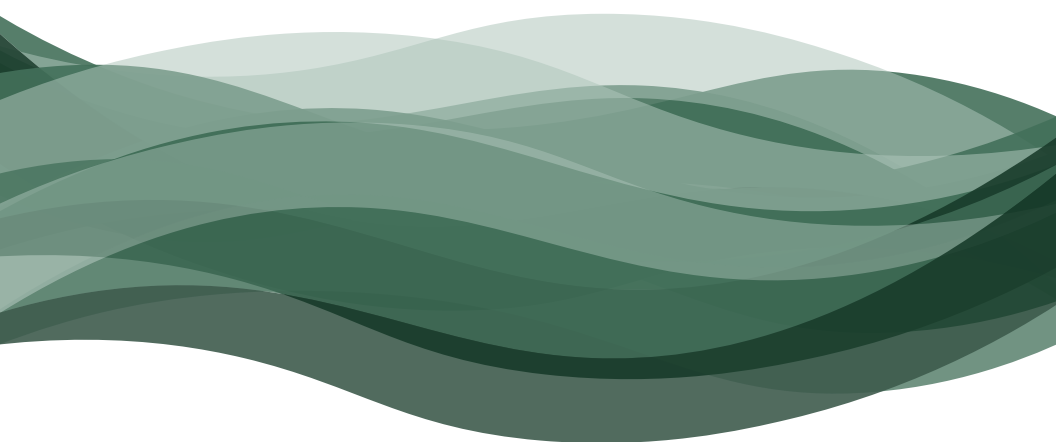


Plymouth members and friends purchase the poinsettias, often in memory or in honor of loved ones. Others give directly to the **Pastors' Emergency Fund**. Likewise, our pastors use the Pastors' Emergency Fund to assist Plymouth members, friends, and community members in need.



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Plymouth's 2026 Annual Appeal



Don't forget to turn in your pledge card for our Annual Appeal or you can make your pledge online here!

Don't hesitate to reach out to the church office if you have any questions.



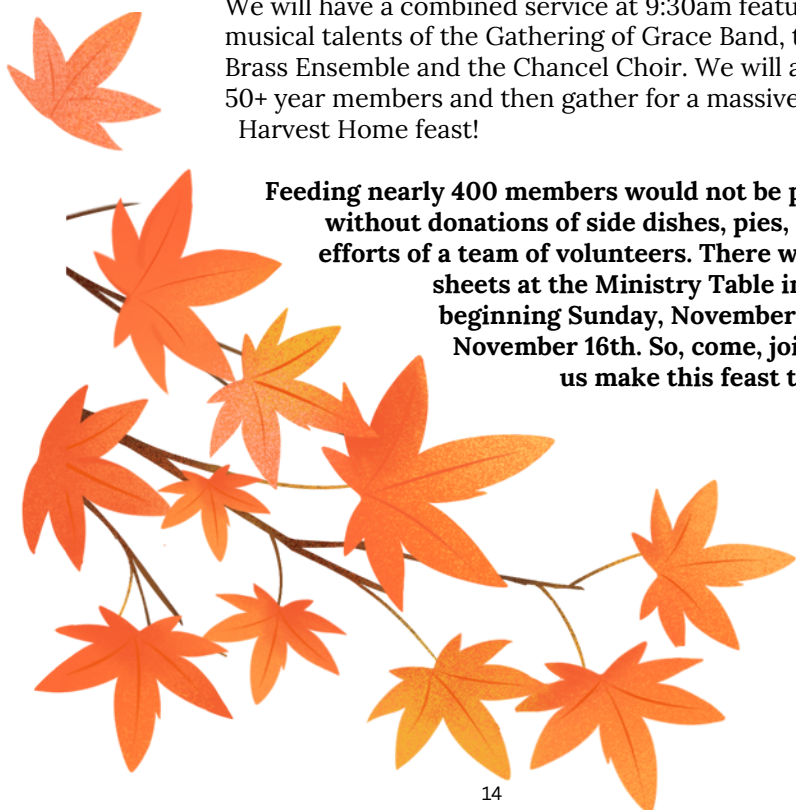
Plymouth's Annual Harvest Home Meal

Sunday • November 23

Come and join us on **Sunday, November 23**, as we express our thanks and gratitude together as a community.

We will have a combined service at 9:30am featuring the musical talents of the Gathering of Grace Band, the Plymouth Brass Ensemble and the Chancel Choir. We will also honor our 50+ year members and then gather for a massive and delicious Harvest Home feast!

Feeding nearly 400 members would not be possible without donations of side dishes, pies, money and the efforts of a team of volunteers. There will be sign up sheets at the Ministry Table in the Narthex beginning Sunday, November 2 through November 16th. So, come, join in and help us make this feast the tastiest yet!



Advent Gingerbread House Extravaganza



SUNDAY • NOVEMBER 30

An afternoon of fellowship!—making gingerbread houses, singing carols, and eating a light meal together as we begin Advent.



Create your own gingerbread house masterpieces beginning at 4pm in the Mayflower Room. Kits will be provided for each family. **\$20 per gingerbread house.**

There is no cost for the meal, **but we do need some people to sign up to bring soup, cookies, and bread!** If you sign up to volunteer, you should be at the Mayflower Room at 3pm.



Bring the family and enjoy the fun! Sign up early due to the limited availability of gingerbread houses. Wear festive garb or ugly sweaters!



Sign up here!



This event is sponsored by the
**Board of Christian Education and
Music and Fine Arts Board.**

Plymouth's Advent Bake Sale



Order
Online



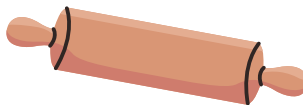
Sunday • December 7

We want your favorite cookies, cakes, pies, bars, breads, Christmas candy, and gingerbread creations for the sale!

Drop off is available on Saturday, December 6 from 9-11am in the kitchen by the Mayflower Room OR Sunday, December 7 between 8:30 and 9am.

100% of the proceeds go to Plymouth's Mission Partners!

Cookies will be replated so please use minimal packaging!



PLYMOUTH CHANCEL CHOIR MAJOR CHORAL WORK

CAROLS & LULLABIES

DECEMBER 7 - 9:30AM



This charming work is a collection of traditional Spanish Carols ordered to form a narrative. The overriding image is of a Southwestern piñata party for the new baby. Composed and arranged by Conrad Susa, the work is accompanied by harp, classical guitar, and marimba/vibraphone.



WHAT A WONDERFUL SUNDAY TO INVITE FAMILY AND
FRIENDS TO EXPERIENCE MUSIC AND WORSHIP AT PLYMOUTH!



The Hanging of the Greens

**Saturday
November 29 • 9am**

Come and help decorate
Plymouth Church for the Advent
and Christmas seasons!

Trees, lights, garlands, bows,
and ornaments transform
Plymouth into a special, holy
space for Christmastide.

It's a big job, but moves quickly
with many hands to help, and
some jobs can be accomplished
ahead of Saturday if you have
availability during the week.

Contact Kim Manz with an
questions!
music@plymouthlawrence.com



Sunday School and Children's Choir

Rooms for Sunday School

- Preschool Room 106 S
- K-1st Grade Room 205 S
- 2nd-3rd Grade Room 210 S
- 4th-5th Grade Room 206 S

Nursery is in Room 105 S • A nursing/quiet room is in 104 S

Rooms for Choir

- Cherub Choir (Pre K-1st Grade) Room 205 S
 - Carol Choir (2nd-5th Grade) Room 204 S
 - Chapel Choir (6th-12th Grade) Chapel
- Chapel Choir meets at 10:30am*

Worship Bags and Coloring Pages can be found in the Narthex. Children are dismissed to Sunday School after the Children's Celebration (approximately at 9:45am) and go to Children's Choir afterwards from 10:30-11am.

Additional Sunday School and Children's Choir information can be found on the bulletin board at the South Entrance.

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