

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

November 25, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

PRELUDE

Kadin Sullivan

OPENING REFLECTION

*"Let us express gratitude by worshipping the Lord with holy reverence and awe"
(Hebrews 12:28)*

CALL TO WORSHIP [from Psalm 95]

Leader: Come, let us sing to the LORD!

People: Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.

Leader: Let us come to him with thanksgiving.

People: Leader: Let us sing psalms of praise to him.

Leader: He holds in his hands the depths of the earth and the mightiest mountains.

People: The sea belongs to him, for he made it. His hands formed the dry land, too.

Leader: Come, let us worship and bow down. Let us kneel before the LORD our maker, for he is our God.

People: We are the people he watches over, the flock under his care.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

****SONG** *We Gather Here in Grateful Praise* #378

GOD DRAWS US NEAR

UNISON PRAYER

Thank You, God. You are so good to us. Your love is steady and does not falter, unlike our own. You are faithful and true, even when we are not. Forgive us for when we step over the line in our relationship with You and with others, hurting those we love or those we don't. Forgive us also when we don't step over that other line, when we fail to be thankful and to share gratitude. Thank You, Lord, for who You are and what You do. Help us to

*** All who are able, please stand*

speak about and to act upon Your perfect gifts, Your wonderful works — every day, in ordinary ways and places. We offer up this prayer our gratitude in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 26:1-11 (Pew Bible pp. 180-181)

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT The Rev. Tony Pappas

**** SONG** *Now Thank We All Our God* #371

DISCIPLE'S MOMENT *"Skittles and M&M's"*

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

THE PEOPLE'S PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER ('...forgive us our sins')

GLORIA PATRI

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (Pew Bible pp. 165-166)

SERMON *"First Fruits"*

WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS

MUSICAL MEDITATION

How can I expand my concept of gratitude?

In what ways can I give thanks for others?

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

OFFERTORY MUSIC Carrie Johnson

****THE DOXOLOGY (#706)**

****PRAYER OF BLESSING**

****SONG** *There is a Redeemer* #377

****BENEDICTION**

****POSTLUDE**