

*Tappahannock Memorial  
United Methodist Church*

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*Out of her poverty*  
[she] has put in ...  
all she had to live on.

Mark 12:44, NRSV

*“To all who mourn and need comfort,  
to all who are tired and need rest,  
to all who are lonely and need companionship,  
to all who sin and need a Savior, and to all who will,  
this church opens wide its doors.”*

# Tappahannock Memorial UMC

## 25th Sunday After Pentecost

### “Gifts And Service”

November 10, 2024

Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

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#### Prelude

“Oceans”

St. Margaret’s Treble Choir

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#### Welcome & Announcements

Good Morning! I greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I welcome you to our time of worship today. I welcome those who are present with us in the sanctuary as well as those worshipping online via our Facebook and YouTube pages. We welcome your feedback as we continue offering in person and online worship.

We are tracking our attendance, so thank you in advance to all who will let us know that you have watched or read our service this morning. Please email our Administrative Assistant at [tappmethodist@gmail.com](mailto:tappmethodist@gmail.com), with your attendance information.

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!!

#### \* Opening Hymn

“O Master Let Me Walk With Thee”

UMH #430

1. O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free;  
tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
2. Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love;  
teach me the wayward feet to stray, and guide them in the homeward way.
3. Teach me thy patience; still with thee in closer, dearer company,  
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong;
4. In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future’s broadening way,  
in peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.

#### \* Call to Worship

Unless the Lord builds the house,  
the builders labor in vain.

**Build us into a spiritual house, O God,  
and we will be a holy people.**

Unless the Lord guards the city,  
the guards keep watch in vain.

**Guard our hearts and minds,  
that we may walk in your ways.**

Unless the Lord is the center of our worship,  
our words and praise are in vain.

**Here and now, Holy One,  
may we taste eternity.**

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**\* Opening Prayer**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

God of infinite possibilities, when the world says, “No,”  
you say, “Yes!”

The world warns against marrying foreigners,  
but you transform honest love  
into a blessing for all people.

The world lauds the industry of the rich,  
but you cherish the sacrifice of the poor.

Build us into a household of love  
and guard the walls of our spirit,  
that we may remain strong  
in services to one another. Amen.

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**Prayer of Yearning**

**Holy Seer, we long to perceive ourselves  
as you see us.**

**We yearn to look through your eyes  
and envision who you created us to be.**

**Help us love ourselves,  
that we may truly love others.**

**Help us give freely from our bounty,  
that we may rejoice in the gifts of others,  
even when they seem small by comparison.**

**In Christ’s name, we pray. Amen.**

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**The Declaration of Pardon**

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;

That proves God’s love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

**Glory to God. Amen.**

**Passing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

**Children’s Time**

**Pastor Becca**

**Scripture**

**Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17**

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*<sup>1</sup>Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, ‘My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. <sup>2</sup>Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing-floor. <sup>3</sup>Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing-floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has*

finished eating and drinking. <sup>4</sup>When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do.' <sup>5</sup>She said to her, 'All that you tell me I will do.'

<sup>13</sup> So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the LORD made her conceive, and she bore a son. <sup>14</sup>Then the women said to Naomi, 'Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! <sup>15</sup>He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him.' <sup>16</sup>Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. <sup>17</sup>The women of the neighbourhood gave him a name, saying, 'A son has been born to Naomi.' They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

## Scripture

Hebrews 9:24-28

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<sup>24</sup>For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup>Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; <sup>26</sup>for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup>And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgement, <sup>28</sup>so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

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The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Anthem

*“What A Friend We Have In Jesus”*

Glory Ringers

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## \* Psalter

Psalm 42

UMH #777

**R: God will give you a new heart, a new spirit put within.**

As a deer longs for flowing streams,  
so longs my soul or you, O God.

**My soul thirsts for God,  
for the living God.**

**When shall I come and behold  
the face of God?**

My tears have been my food  
day and night,  
while people say to me continually,  
“Where is your God?”

**These things I remember  
as I pour out my soul:**

**how I went with the throng,  
and led them in procession to the house of God,  
with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving,  
a multitude keeping festival.**

Why are you cast down, O my soul,  
and why are you disquieted within me?

**Hope in God whom again I shall praise,  
my help and my God. R**

My soul is cast down within me,  
therefore I remember you  
from the land of Jordan and of Hermon,  
from Mount Mizar.

**Deep calls to deep  
at the thunder of your cataracts;  
all your waves and your billows  
have gone over me.**

By day the Lord commands his steadfast love;  
and at night God's song is with me,  
a prayer to the God of my life.

**I say to God, my rock:  
"Why have you forgotten me?"**

**Why do I mourn  
because of the oppression of the enemy?"**

Like a deadly wound in my body,  
my adversaries taunt me;

**they say to me continually,  
"Where is your God?"**

What are you cast down, O my soul,  
and why are you disquieted within me?

**Hope in God whom again I shall praise,  
my help and my God. R**

**\* The Gloria Patri**

**UMH #70**

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

**\* Gospel**

**Mark 12:38-44**

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*<sup>38</sup> As he taught, he said, 'Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the market-places, <sup>39</sup>and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honour at banquets! <sup>40</sup>They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.' <sup>41</sup> He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. <sup>42</sup>A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. <sup>43</sup>Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. <sup>44</sup>For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to*

*live on.'*

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This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Prayer before the Sermon**

May the words of my mouth and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight,  
O God our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

**The Sermon**

**“Gifts And Service”**

**Rev. Rebecca L. Minor**

**\* Hymn of Response**

**“What Gift Can We Bring”**

**UMH #87**

1. What gift can we bring, what present, what token?  
What words can convey it, the joy of this day?  
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,  
what song can we offer in honor and praise?
2. Give thanks for the past, for those who had vision,  
who planted and watered so dreams could come true.  
Give thanks for the now, for study, for worship,  
for mission that bids us turn prayer into deed.
3. Give thanks for tomorrow, full of surprises,  
for knowing whatever tomorrow may bring,  
the Word is our promise always, forever,  
we rest in God’s keeping and live in God’s love.
4. This gift we now bring, this present, this token,  
these words can convey it, the joy of this day!  
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,  
this song we now offer in honor and praise.

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**\* Affirmation of Faith**

**The Nicene Creed**

**UMH #880**

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary**

**and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **Sharing of Our Joys & Concerns**

We want to continue to pray for the healing of the nations through this pandemic, and for all those impacted by: war – especially the people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel and Palestine; natural disasters; gun violence; and other catastrophic events. Remember those who have been in the hospital for treatments and surgeries, as well as for COVID 19. Remember those who are isolated with no one to interact with. Please continue to pray for: your prayer partners; our homebound folks; those in nursing, rehabilitative, and assisted living facilities; as well as for those on the front lines. I would once again ask that we pray for those who have chosen to keep their illnesses between themselves and God. While we respect their privacy, they still need our collective prayers.

### **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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever. Amen.**

**UMH #895**

## **The Offering**

Please remember to keep your tithes and offerings current so that the ministries of our church can continue. You may mail them to P. O. Box 326, Tappahannock, VA 22560, use the E-Giving link available on our website [www.tappahannockmethodist.org](http://www.tappahannockmethodist.org), or download our mobile e-giving app identified on the last page of today's bulletin. Thank you for your continued support!

## **The Offertory**

### ***"The Water Is Wide"***

**St. Margaret's Choir**

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## **\* Doxology**

**UMH #95**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **\* Closing Hymn**

### ***"Jesu, Jesu"***

**UMH #432**

1. Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.  
Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, Master who acts as a slave, to them.
2. Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.  
Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white, neighbors are near and far away.
3. Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you. These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love;  
all these are neighbors to us and you.
4. Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.  
Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we are slaves,  
this is the way we should live with you.
5. Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.  
Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet,  
this is the way we should live with you.

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

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## **\* Benediction**

### ***"Shalom To You"***

**UMH #666**

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.  
May God's full mercies, bless you, my friends.  
In all your living and through your loving,  
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

## **\* Postlude**

### ***"Lead With Love"***

**St. Margaret's Treble Choir**

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**Thank you for joining us in worship!**



## PRAYER LIST

Wright Andrews, Claude Beasley, Eddie Bliss, The family of Carroll Brown, the family of Joshua Brown, Nancy Brumfield, Tom Burgess, Bob Burke, Faye Brooks, Sally Conway, the family of George Croxton, Cookie Evans, Tinker Fornash, James Gage, Jay Getkin, Betty Gregory, Roxanne Griffith, George Grubbs, Bill Hendricks, Cindy Huber, Shirley Johnson, Carolyn Lewis, Ron Lucas, Jacob Magruder, Tawana Murry, Gerry Rose, Cathy Short, Colin Smith, Rev. Dr. Robert Taylor, Allen Turner, Bryan Wachsmuth, Mike and Tami Ward-Dahl and the family of Debra Sears, Barbara Watkins, Ellie Wawner, Betty Whitten. Inclusion & equality for the LGBTQ family & friends. All affected by critical weather and violence, everyone who struggles with drug addiction and alcoholism, those in peril, all missing persons, those who serve in the Armed Forces, students and educators, the people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel, Palestine, Lebanon, Iran, and Sudan during this time of war.

## MILITARY DEPLOYMENTS

SSGT Jonathan Simpson

## PRAYERS AND CARDS ARE WELCOME FOR THESE MEMBERS

Lee Black, Barbara Brooks, Jim Climaldi, Jean Edwards, Cecile Farmer,  
Carol Nicholas, Edna Parrish and Jean Rhines.

*\* Please contact the office for the phone number or address for these members of our church family.*

## SERVICE AND OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

<b>Today, November 10<sup>th</sup>:</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost</b>
	<b>11:15 AM</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>Charge Conference</b>
Tuesday, November 12 <sup>th</sup> :	7:00 PM	Choir
Wednesday, November 13 <sup>h</sup> :	10:30 AM	Wednesday Morning Group
Sunday, November 17 <sup>th</sup> :	10:00 AM	26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost
	11:15 AM	Sunday School

*All meetings are offered in-person and via Zoom unless stated otherwise.*

*We seek to be the Disciples of Christ, welcoming all as we nurture  
and support one another through service and outreach.*

*Our facility is handicap accessible.*

**Pastor:** The Reverend Rebecca L. Minor, Cell Phone: (757) 870-8265

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