

Sunday Worship

October 19, 2025 10:00 am

**Denotes Standing, in body and/or spirit*

Worship Theme: Persistence in Prayer

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude "Lead On, O King Eternal" Robert Thygerson

Welcome & Announcements (see insert) Dylan Palin

***Call to Worship (Responsively)** *Psalm 121* Leader

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills - from where will my help come?

People: **My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

Leader: He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

People: **He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**

Leader: The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

People: **The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.**

Leader: The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

People: **The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.**

***Opening Hymn** "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" UMH #526

***Opening Prayer (Unison)** *Anonymous* Leader
Faithful God, You never grow weary of hearing our prayers, and Your justice never fails. Grant us hearts that do not lose courage, and faith that does not fade when answers seem far away. Teach us to trust Your timing and to persevere in prayer, that we may be found faithful when Your Son returns in glory. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

Special Music "Hymn Sing" You! 😊
Shout-out some of your favorite Hymns!

A Time for Children of All Ages

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson: [2 Peter 3:1-10](#) (NRSV) Leader

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

***Gospel Lesson:** [Luke 18:1-8](#) (NRSV)

Lector: The Word of God for the People of God

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Message **Patience/Prayer/Persistence** Pastor Chuck

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***Hymn of Response** "Thy Word" UMH #601

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns Pastoral Prayer

***Doxology** The Offering of our Gifts

Offering Prayer (Unison) *Anonymous*
God of steadfast love, You have taught us to pray and not lose heart. Let our giving today be another kind of prayer - a sign of our trust in Your goodness and timing. Bless these gifts and use them to answer the cries of those in need. May our persistence in prayer be matched by our persistence in love, until Your justice fills the earth. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*Sending Hymn	“As the Deer” (sing twice)	TFWS #2025
*Benediction		
*Benediction Response	“More Precious Than Silver”	TFWS #2065
Postlude		

Coming Up:

October 26th. - Sunday Worship Service @10am - Join us LIVE or ONLINE as we continue to study God's Word ([Luke 18:9-14](#)) - Humble thyself...

Join us Wednesday's @ 7:30am for
Wednesday-Wakeup Devotional & Fellowship



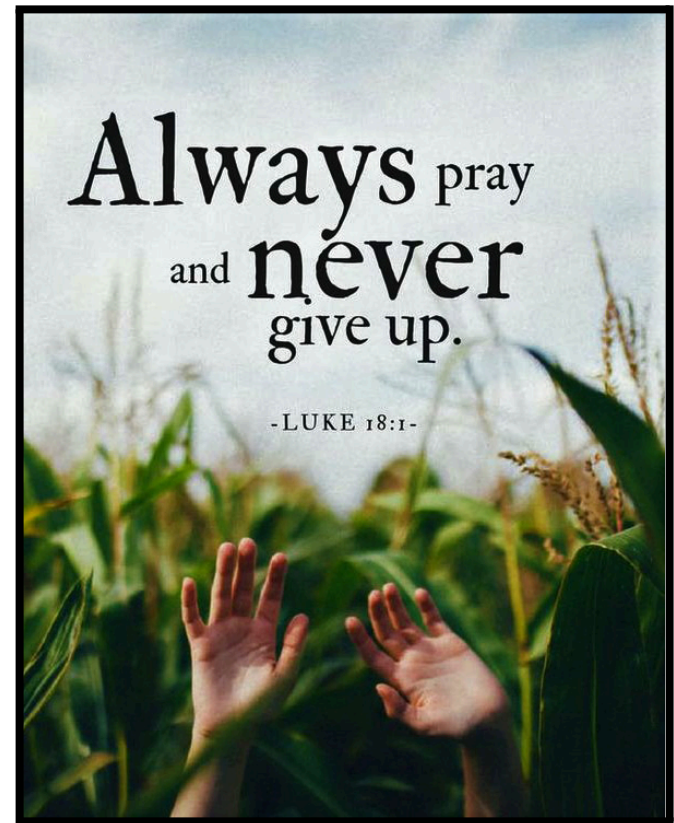
[Zoom Link](#)
(Live Meeting)



[YouTube \(https://bitly.com/WWakeup\)](https://bitly.com/WWakeup)
(Recorded Sessions)

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Worship Livestream Zoom link:



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“Growing in the Body of Christ”