
Bloomin’ Ready

November 8, 2026

24th Sunday after Pentecost

"The seeds of faith, and love, and hope, and patience, and perseverance, and zeal, must be carefully cast into prepared soil by the Holy Spirit's hand, and fostered by the same kindly care. Ere the heart can be called a garden fit for the King of kings, these must bud, and blossom, and yield their fruits."

— Charles Spurgeon

TIME OF QUIET PREPARATION

WELCOME The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

PRELUDE "Jubilate: Come, Christians, Join to Sing" Alice Jordan
Organist, Larry Gillum

CHORAL INTROIT

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (adopted from Psalm 70 and Revelation 19:16) Liturgist, Lisa Plaut

God, we seek you!

Let us rejoice and be glad in you!

God, we delight in your salvation!

Let us proclaim forever, "God is great!"

God, we give thanks for Jesus Christ our Lord!

Let us worship him, the King of kings!

***OPENING HYMN NO. 625** "How Great Thou Art"

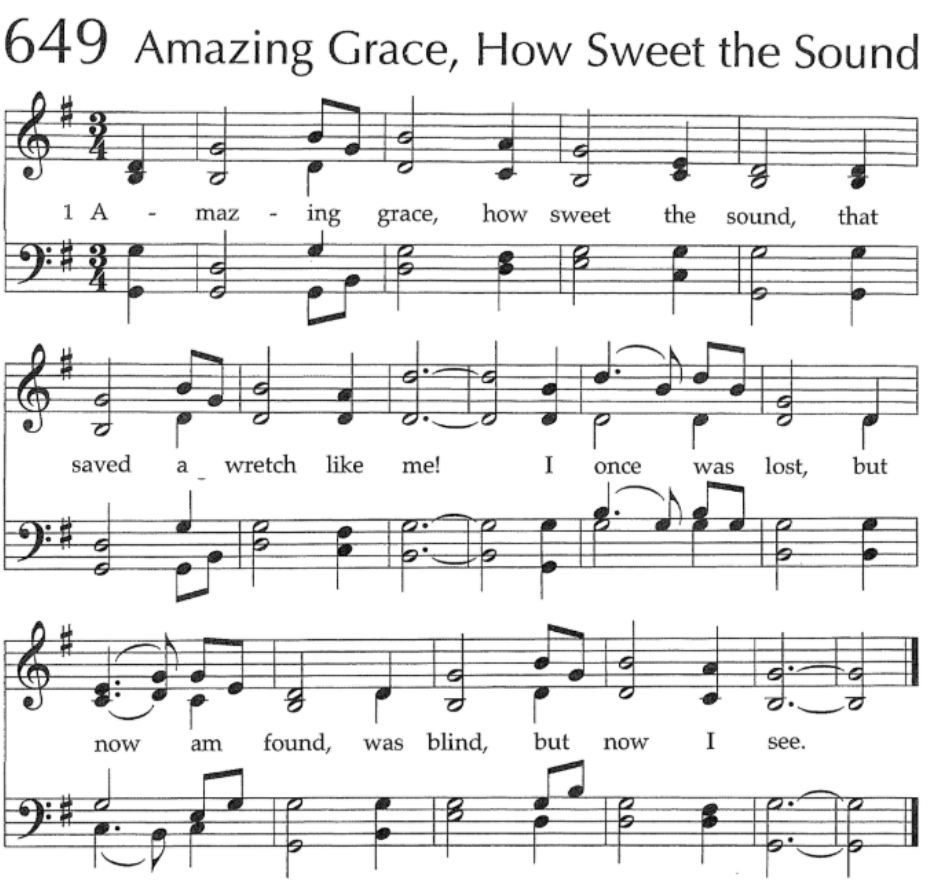
PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you give us all the tools to prepare our hearts and minds for service in your kingdom. Yet we often put them aside to pursue frivolous interests and petty causes. When we do this, we are not prepared to come to the defense of the gospel and to the aid of your beloved children. Forgive us and help us practice the tools of faith that we are ready to clothe ourselves in the breastplate of faith and love.

Silent Prayer of Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE:**



***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

A READING FROM THE SCRIPTURES *I Thessalonians 5:4-11, NRSV*

CHANCEL CHOIR "Gathered Chosen, God's Creation" arr. Andrew Birling
Director, Rich Dixon

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL *Matthew 25:1-13, NRSV*

MESSAGE "Bloomin' Ready" The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

MEDITATION AND *HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 250 "In the Bulb There Is a Flower" (Hymn of Promise)

MOMENT FOR MISSION Carol Nussbaumer

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY "We Pray Now to the Holy Spirit" Dietrich Buxtehude

***DOXOLOGY** (Hymnal # 606)

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.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The congregation responds, ***"Hear our prayer."***
Following each petition which concludes, "God, in your grace…"

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

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.

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

***HYMN OF SENDING NO. 712** "As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought"

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

POSTLUDE "What is This Place Where We Are Meeting"
Hymntune : *Komt Nu Met Zang,* p. 404

**Please stand if you are able.*

Announcements

Greeters this morning are Nancy & Bill Almond.

Fellowship Time—Join us today for coffee and treats hosted by the Mission Committee.

Visit with Tami Scace today in the Narthex after worship to receive information on the **Heifer International** project, sponsored by the Mission Committee.

Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Christine will NOT meet on November 11th but will resume on November 18th at 12:00 noon in the church library. The week's topic will be "Moral Holiness" Leviticus 17-22. Everyone is welcome, all you need is your Bible!

Adult Study Group with Carol Nussbaumer — Adult Study Group (a.k.a. Not Your Mother's Sunday School) will NOT meet on Friday, November 13th , but will resume on November 20th at 10:00am in the church library. Back by popular demand, we will study the course titled "Listening to the Land of the Bible." Each class stands alone so if you want to come once in a while, that is fine. All are invited!

The Presbyterian Women's Bible study will meet next Monday, November 16 in the church library to discuss the third lesson in the study book, *United in Christ, Bound to Each Other*. This month we will discuss how through the saving grace of Jesus Christ, we are set free to make choices that benefit each other. We will gather at 11:30am with the lesson beginning at 12 noon. The Bible study books are still available in the church office or at our meeting for $15. We hope you can join us.

The members of your Mission & Outreach Committee thank you for your generous response to **PCCR's STOCK THE SHELVES of Crossroads Market Food Drive**. Your record-setting donations totaling **567 pounds** of groceries are already giving care and compassion to many local families. Thanks again for your Faith in Action!

Upcoming:

Wednesday, November 11 – Church Office Closed

Saturday, November 21 – Estes Park Chorale Concert at 2:00pm in the Sanctuary

Thursday, November 26 – Church Office Closed for Thanksgiving

Saturday, December 12 – Estes Valley Chamber Singers Concert at 2:00pm in the Sanctuary

The Week Ahead

Monday, November 9

7:00am AA Early Worms
9:30am Finance Committee
11:00am Prayer Team
3:00pm Ballet Renaissance

Tuesday, November 10

7:00am AA Early Worms
10:00am Building & Grounds Committee
12:00pm One Day at a Time AA Group
12:00pm Quota Club of Estes Park
1:30pm Nada Quartet Rehearsal
3:00pm Ballet Renaissance
3 :00pm Worship & Music Committee
4 :30pm Deacons
6:00pm Estes Valley Chamber Singers
6:45pm Hispanic Bible Study

Wednesday, November 11

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
7:00am AA Early Worms
4:00pm Joyful Bells
6:30pm Estes Park Chorale rehearsal

Thursday, November 12

7:00am AA Early Worms
10:15am Estes Valley Library Book Club
4:00pm Chancel Bells
6:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group
6:30pm Chancel Choir

Friday, November 13

7:00am AA Early Worms
3:00pm Ballet Renaissance
6:30pm Mixed Nuts Al-Anon Group

Saturday, November 14

7:00am AA Early Worms
9:00am Girl Scout Troop 76904
10:30am EVICS Children's Choir Rehearsal
5:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

Sunday, November 15

8:30am Journeys
10:00am Worship
4:30pm Oratorio Society Rehearsal

See the full church calendar on
www.pccrusa.org

Heifer International

information is available in the Narthex this morning.

Sponsored by the Mission Committee



Estes Park Chorale presents

Season of Light

A Concert of Thanksgiving & Hope

Special Guest – The Highland Brass

Saturday, November 21

2:00pm

Tickets $10.00 at the door

Church Staff

Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey, pastor@pccrusa.org
Office Administrator: Brenda Dixon, office@pccrusa.org
Financial Manager: Tia Shultz, finance@pccrusa.org
Handbell Director: Patti Dolezal, music@pccrusa.org
Organist: Larry Gillum **Choir Director**: Rich Dixon

Deacons

Mike Dempsey - Brenda Gillum - Jack Holmquist
Joanie Kleckner - Patti Dolezal - John Davis - Larry Pierce
Marilyn Irwin - Beth Carle - Leslie Causer - Ann Taylor
Kathy Sherrod

Elders

Terry Brigham - Dennis Jacobs - Kent Meyer
Mimi Hardendorf - Jennifer Workman - Bruce Ellingwood
Fred Thibodeau - Dale Bonza - Diane Palmer - Brian Rood
Mike Warren - Clerk of Session: Barb Cole



Presbyterian Community Church of the Rockies

Donate!

1700 Brodie Avenue, Estes Park, CO 80517

Website	www.pccrusa.org
Phone	970-586-4404
E-mail	office@pccrusa.org
Office hours	9:00-3:00, Monday-Thursday