Welcome To Worship

We are so glad you have chosen to worship God with us today.

First United Methodist Church of Palatine, Illinois

25th Sunday after Pentecost

November 15, 2026 • 9:30am

Before entering worship, please ask for prayer cards from Ushers to make your request.

Kindly record your presence in the attendance pad in the pews.

Please silence all mobile communication devices

***Please rise in body and spirit as you are able.**

Gathering in the Presence of God

Prelude *Now Thank We All Our God* *arr. Mark Hayes* **Linda Camp and Kay Daugherty**

Welcome and Announcements **Rev. Robert Sathuri**

A New Vision for The United Methodist Church: Love Boldly. Serve Joyfully. Lead Courageously.

Music of Preparation *Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God* *K. Lafferty arr M.L. Thompson*
Bell Choir

***Call to Worship (responsively)** **Phyllis Philbrick**

Leader: Dear God, To You I lift up my eyes, O You who are enthroned in the heavens!
People: As the eyes of a maid look to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look at You, Giver of every good gift.
L: Have Mercy upon us, O Lord, Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us.
P: Look with favor upon us, O Holy Spirit, and be pleased with our praise and thanksgiving.
L: Let us worship our Living God!
All: Amen.

When We Gather Pg. 127. James G. Kirk. Geneva Press, Louisville, KY. 2001

***Opening Prayer** **Phyllis Philbrick**

Leader: O God, in mystery and silence You are present in our lives, bringing new life out of destruction, hope out of despair, growth out of difficulty. Loving Jesus, we thank You that You do not leave us alone but labor to make us whole. Help us to perceive Your unseen hand in the unfolding of our lives, and to attend to the gentle guidance of Your Spirit, that we may know the joy You give Your people.
Response: Amen.

Book of Worship, #464 Ruth C. Duck. U.S.A. 20th Cent.

***Opening Hymn #89** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee.*

Hearing The Word of God

***Gospel Reading** Matthew 25:14-30 **Phyllis Philbrick**

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God!
P: Thanks be to God!

Message: Risk or Reward? **Rev. Robert Sathuri**

Offering Our Prayers to God

Sharing of Prayer Concerns

L: Lord in Your Mercy **Rev. Robert Sathuri**
P: Hear our prayers

Prayers for those in assisted living and nursing facilities or homebound
Annette H. // Bill Hoffbeck. // Gary S. //
Prayers for God's healing touch-members
Donna H. // Gary S. // Annette H. // Cliff B.
Prayers for family and friends of members seeking God's healing and strength
Joel, nephew of Robert & Teresa S. // Patty & Joel K. friends of Scott R.
Joe, family member of Sherrill and Keith S. // Carolyn O'D, friend of Cindy D.
Prayers for God's Help & Blessings
Lambert & wife, Symballine blessed with a beautiful daughter, Gianna Chasiah Ophelia.
Prayers of Thanksgiving to God For God's Gifts and Blessings
Prayers of comfort for those who are grieving
Family of Barbara Kearns // Family of Leslie Swedo // Family of John Stires
Prayers of strength & courage for those who are suffering due to natural disasters around the world
Prayers of Peace, Tolerance and Acceptance throughout the church, community and world

Silent Prayers and Intercession

Pastoral Prayer **Rev. Robert Sathuri**
We confess to You, all-knowing God, what we are. We are not the people we like others to think we are. We are afraid to admit, even to ourselves, what lies in the depths of our souls. But we cannot hide our true selves from You. You know us as we are, and yet You love us. Help us not to shrink from self-knowledge. Teach us to respect ourselves for Your sake. Give us the courage to put our trust Your guiding power. Raise us out of the paralysis of guilt into the freedom and energy of forgiven people. And for those who through long habit find forgiveness hard to accept. We ask You to break their bondage and set them free; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.
Response: Amen. Book of Worship, #480, England, 20th Cent. Alt

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 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.

Cares Chorus (sung) *Words On Screen*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Invitation
Annual pledge cards may be brought forth and deposited into the little white church at this time
Ushers pass the offering plates in the pews and place them on the altar.
Please remember to sign attendance pads

Anthem *Almighty W. Watson arr P. Sanders Cota* **Bell Choir**
John Foley, Director

***Doxology (sung) & Presentation of Gifts** *Words On Screen*

***Offertory Prayer** **Rev. Robert Sathuri**
With money, time and talents, we say, thank you, thank you, thank you, God; with heart and voice we sing, thank you, thank you, thank you, God. Shape us by the power of your Spirit, that we may give thanks to you in every part of our life, through Christ our Savior.
Response: Amen. Worship & Song #112, Brian Wren, 2004, Abingdon Press. U.S.A.

***Closing Hymn #399** *Take My Life and Let It be*

***Benediction**
Rev. Robert Sathuri

Ministry Opportunities

***Postlude** *Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing- Sicilian Mariners Tune* **Linda Camp**

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All Week Long

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MISSION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- **Palatine Food Pantry** Our next church wide collection will be on **Communion Sunday, Dec. 6, 2026.** Please consider regular donations. **No Expired Foods Please**. Thank you.
- **Meals on Wheels** If you are interested in delivering meals, contact Gil W. Ph: 847-209-8603
- **Teddy Bears Ministry** - Will not meet in November or December. See you in January 2027!
- **Adaptive Books Workshop** - Wed, November 18, 11a-1p, Gathering Place (lower level)
- **Prayer Blankets** Gayla Swansen (847-705-8659) to receive kits or for more information.
- **Love Packages** drop off Bibles and other Christian materials outside the church office.
- **Bethlehem Marketplace -** Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 5, 2026. It takes the whole church to help make it happen. We need many, many more helpers to make this event possible; please sign up to volunteer. Ask friends & relatives to help too.
  Questions? --See Brian Huff
  Sign up online to volunteer! Go to Fumcp.org or scan the QR code.

SERVING OUR CHURCH

- **Liturgists** are needed for Sunday Service. Please sign up in the commons.
- **Seeking hosts** for refreshment time after the 9:30a service. Sign up form can be found on the table outside the kitchenette door in the commons.
- **A/V Support** on Sundays 9:15a - 10:45a please contact John Foley, jsjae1@gmail.com if you would like to join the A/V support team.
- **Church Library *is open for meditation, prayer and study*.**

CHRISTMAS MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

- ***Order Your Poinsettias*** Please join us in filling the church and sanctuary with beautiful red, 6-inch poinsettia plants. Deadline for placing an order is Tuesday, December 13, 2026 at noon. Poinsettias can be taken home after Christmas Eve service. Order online by visiting www.fumcp.org or use the QR code. Please, only submit a paper form if you are NOT ordering online
- ***Angel Tree*** gifts benefit families in need in partnership with the Edgebrook Community Center. Every child deserves to experience the joy of Christmas morning. Tags will be available on the tree beginning November 22, 2026. Gifts will be due on December 13, 2026. For more information, contact Marsha Bundt or Doris Lima.



- We are looking for 4 families or groups who would like to light the ***Advent Wreath.***
  If interested, email Deb in the office at dcurry@fumcpalatine.org



MUSIC

- **Chancel Choir** rehearses on Thursday, 7:30p. New members are welcome! Come join us for inspiration, fun and song.
  We are beginning to prepare for our ***Christmas Cantata***, if you would like to participate, please join us on Thurdays at 7:30p.
  Contact Diane Hannibal for more information at musiclady16@comcast.net.
- **Bell Choir** If interested in joining, contact John Foley, jsjae1@gmail.com

CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR THE CONGREGATION

- **Christian Fiction Book Club,** Next book coming soon!
- **The UMM** group hosts Golf, Pizza & Prayer every Tuesday.
  For more information contact Gil W. at donnagilw@comcast.net
- **Advent Study** led by Pastor Robert beginning Wednesday November 18, 2026 at 7p
- - "*What Do You Want For Christmas?*" by James W Moore.
- The UWFaith Annual Bake Sale will, as usual, be on the Sunday before Thanksgiving, November 22nd. Bakers, start looking for those favorite recipes! Baked goods can be dropped off on Saturday from 9 - 2 in the lobby. Please plan to support this year's sale, as we raise funds for missions around the world. The sale will feature a beautiful, winter themed quilt, handmade by Carla George and a huge selection of jellies and chutneys Carla donated, including elderberry, cherry almond and many other interesting flavors.We also heard Brian Huff may be persuaded to donate some pickled beets this year! UWFaith memberships will be collected that weekend too. We consider all women of our church to be members, but a donation of any amount qualifies as a pledged member with the National UWFaith Organization.

- **Sunday School** The combined Children and Youth Sunday School class for 1st through 12th grades will meet at 9:30 on Sunday mornings. Pre-K care is available upon request. Confirmation preparation will be offered for students 11 years and up starting October 4th. Please contact nextgen.fumcp@gmail.com for more information"

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- **"In AI We Trust?"** The Higher Grounds (Current Issues) Adult Sunday school class has chosen as our opening text , Pope Leo XIV's encyclical, Magnificent Humanity: On Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence (2026). Adult Conference Room. Class is in person or via Zoom. Come join us for stimulating discussion and warm fellowship. Bring your coffee and goodies. Coordinators,
  Linda & Rick Craft 847-702-8163 or ljcraft@att.net.

Upcoming Events

Sun, Nov 15: Sunday Worship @ 9:30a
Sun, Nov 15: 2026 Annual Charge Conference @ 7p - *A light supper will be served at 6:15p*
Wed, Nov 18: Advent Study Begins @ 7p Conference Rm 1/Adult Education Rm
Sun, Nov 22: Sunday Worship @ 9:30a
Sun, Nov 22: Bake Sale
Thurs, Nov 26: Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed
Sun, Nov 29: First Sunday of Advent, Sunday Worship 9:30a

Building Use forms are **REQUIRED** for **ALL** activities within the church.
If you are raising money for internal or external causes/events,
please fill out a fundraising form.
Applications can be downloaded at FUMCP.org under the "home" tab
https://www.fumcp.org/office-forms
Submit to **Bharrington@fumcpalatine.org**

Prayer Requests can be sent to unitedcaringministries@gmail.com or call/text 224-573-8401

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