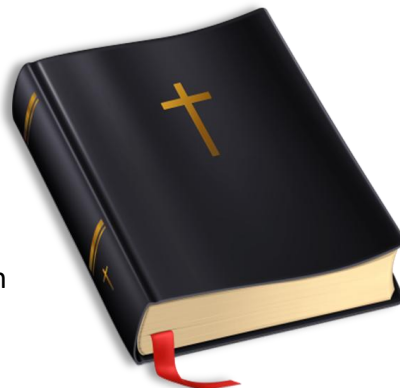


Prayer Requests

****Kevin, cousin of Karen Lawrence
****Stan
****Cheryl Bowen & family
****Parker, grandson of Marcia Matthews
****Betty Messmann, friend of Lena Wagner
****Leah Moore, cousin of Bill Caddick
****Frank, brother-in-law of Gina & Dave Franklin
****Jeanette, niece of Gina & Dave Franklin
****Delia Helpingstine, friend of Cheryl Sorrels
***Warren, friend of Mary Pierce
***Jan Pazdur
***Will, grandson of Bill & Diane Payne
***Thomas Family
**Linda, aunt of Debbie Olson
**Family of Tim
**Michael, nephew of Patrick McKinley
*Patrick McKinley
*Christopher, nephew of Debbie Olson

As names rotate off the list, please continue to remember them in prayer.

Senior Pastor – Rev. Denise Robinson
Liturgist – Ellie Marinier
Music Director – Pablo Valladares
Children Ministries Director – Eunice Enning
Treasurer – Linda Boender
Connections Coordinator – Nancy Caddick
Office Administrator – Niya (Yvonne) Ketcham
Facility Manager – David Miller
Technical Director – Dan Zilai



Welcome to the 18th Sunday after Pentecost



September 27th, 2026

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship at Ridge

Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome

*Call to Worship

Shadows block our vision and pride can harden our hearts.

Lord, shine your light upon us and drive the shadows away.

The Lord stands at the door of our hearts, patiently knocking, calling us to open the door, to allow him to enter and change us from the inside out.

This morning we choose to soften our hearts; to turn toward, and not away, from his voice.

Although God's justice stands firm like the mountains, God's mercy is without measure.

Each day, God breaks through our stubbornness to offer us new beginnings.

Let us offer our whole selves to the One whose love never fails.

We yield to your love and worship you with open hearts! Amen.

*Hymn of Praise "Be Thou My Vision" #451

Children's Moment Rev. Denise Robinson

Offering "Lord I Want to Be a Christian" Chancel Choir

*Doxology and Prayer Over Offering

Praises and Prayer Concerns

Prayer Hymn "Give Thanks" TFWS #2036

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

*Scripture Reading Exodus 9:22-24, 27-30, 34-35

Message The Wilderness Playlist: The God Who Reveals

"Total Eclipse of the Heart" Rev. Denise Robinson

**You are invited to remain seated or stand as you are able.
Please silence your phone.*

*Hymn of Response "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling" #348 - v. 1,2,4

*Benediction and Postlude

As worship concludes we move to the Gathering Room, where we are invited to greet one another and share in fellowship.

Announcements

ALTAR FLOWERS are in memory of Kathy Reese from James Brill. 

Attendance - Please let us know that you are here by completing the **Blue** Gather card and any additional information.

Volunteer Opportunities - NWI Food Bank packing is back! **Monday, Sept 28th, 9-noon**. Sign up with Kathy, 219-789-3096, or on the bulletin board near Pastor's office.

Mission Sunday - **Oct. 4th**: The Love Pantry requests non-perishables, household paper, and cleaning supplies.

Saturday Homeless Shelter Lunches - Volunteers are needed for **October 10th** to cook and serve for about 30 men. Sign up on the bulletin board either in the hallway by Pastor's office or in the Fellowship Hall lobby. Call Kathy at 219-789-3096 for more information.

Bridging Hunger - RUMC Food Pantry is having a soft launch on **Wednesday, October 21st** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Shoebox Gifts – are due back no later than Sunday, **October 25th**. Please drop them off in the Narthex.

Clothing Drive - The collection of coats and winter gear for local residents (through Love INC charity) will run through **December**. Drop off bins will be near the front doors.

Caregiver Support Group - meets on the **2nd and 4th Tuesday** of every month at 2 p.m. Next meeting is **October 13th**.

Chair Exercise Group - All fitness levels and friends are welcome! Every **Thursday** at 3 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

