Traditional Worship Service

Sunday, November 22, 2026 • 9:40 a.m.

Welcome! Rev. Lee Foster

Invocation

Quietly Preparing to Worship God Everyone

Please take a moment to silence your cell phones

Most Christians, if they take the time to think, can name something they now have that at one time was only a prayer request spoken to God's ear. It could be a relationship, a home, good health, a healthy child, or a job. Maybe it is a sense of peace, or hope restored, or the assurance of God's love. Whatever the blessing, it is important to remember the time when it was only a prayer, and now it is a blessing from God.

When God's people entered the promised land, God warned them: don't forget what I did for you to get you here. God is telling them, remember to remember. And during this week of Thanksgiving, we too are admonished: remember to remember. Remember it was God who blessed us. Remember we didn't get here on our own. Remember when today's blessings were only prayers spoken to God's ear. Remember where we were, and if it were not for God, would still be. Remember to remember. Remember and be grateful.

Prelude ***Let All Things Now Living*** arr. Larson

Winfree Handbell Choir

Responsive Reading Dr. Jimmie Miles and Everyone

Congregation reads the **bold** *print*

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our Good Shepherd, who searches for us and gathers us in.

We give thanks for a Shepherd who seeks us out and brings us home.

When we wander and feel lost, God comes looking for us and brings us back.

We give thanks for a Shepherd who never gives up on us.

God feeds us in good pasture and gives us rest. Our Shepherd binds up our wounds and gives strength to the weak.

With grateful hearts, we praise you, O God, for feeding us and making us whole.

For all of this — for being found, fed, and held close — let us give thanks.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Hymn 639 ***Now Thank We All Our God*** NUN DANKET

Reading from Ezekiel 34:11-16 Mary Jackson

Reading from Colossians 1:15-20 Tim Jackson

Hymn 636 ***Come, Ye Thank People, Come***

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

Offertory Prayer

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings Everyone

Choral Anthem ***For the Beauty of the Earth*** arr. Nelson

Pastoral Scripture **Hebrews 12:1-3** Rev. Foster

Pastor: The Word of God, for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Message ***To Be the Church: Look to Jesus*** Rev. Foster

Hymn To Be Announced

Closing Words

Benediction

Postlude ***With Praise and Thanksgiving*** Smith

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HOW TO JOIN: During the Response Hymn, you are invited to join our congregation. You may become a member by one of the following methods.

1. You may share with the congregation that you have committed your life to Jesus and desire to be baptized.
2. You have already made a commitment to Jesus, been baptized and now desire to transfer your membership from another church to Winfree, or join based on your statement of faith in Christ.

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