

**Order of Worship**  
**Friendship United Methodist Church**  
**Sunday December 6, 2025**

*In Order to assist with our livestream broadcast, please remember to  
turn off the Wi-Fi on your cell phones.*

*Today's communion rail offering benefits Grayson County Home  
Hospice, helping to supply Christmas gifts.*

**Gathering**

**"This Is The Day"**

**Greeting/Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

**Isaiah 11:1-3**

**L:** A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

**P:** *The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.*

**L:** His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

**All:** *We light this candle as a sign of Christ our hope, the one who  
comes to bring righteousness into the world. O come, O come,  
Emmanuel!*

**\*Hymn of Celebration**

**UMH #203**

***"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"***

*Hail to the Lord's Anointed,  
great David's greater Son!  
Hail in the time appointed,  
his reign on earth begun!  
He comes to break oppression,  
to set the captive free;  
to take away transgression,  
and rule in equity.*

*He comes with succor speedy  
to those who suffer wrong;*

*to help the poor and needy,  
and bid the weak be strong;  
to give them songs for sighing,  
their darkness turn to light,  
whose souls, condemned and dying,  
are precious in his sight.*

*He shall come down like showers  
upon the fruitful earth;  
love, joy, and hope, like flowers,  
spring in his path to birth.  
Before him, on the mountains,  
shall peace, the herald, go,  
and righteousness, in fountains,  
from hill to valley flow.*

*To him shall prayer unceasing  
and daily vows ascend;  
his kingdom still increasing,  
a kingdom without end.  
The tide of time shall never  
his covenant remove;  
his name shall stand forever;  
that name to us is love.*

**Prayer of Confession**

**UMH #12**

**L:** Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,  
who earnestly repent of their sin  
and seek to live in peace with one another.  
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

**P:** *Merciful God,  
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have failed to be an obedient church.  
We have not done your will,  
we have broken your law,  
we have rebelled against your love,  
we have not loved our neighbors,  
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.*

***Forgive us, we pray.  
Free us for joyful obedience,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

*All pray in silence.*

**L:** Hear the good news:  
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;  
that proves God's love toward us.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**P:** *In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!*  
**All:** *Glory to God. Amen.*

**Gloria Patri**

**UMH # 70**

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

**Scripture Reading**

**Isaiah 11:1-10**

*A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch shall grow[a] out of his roots.  
The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.  
His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.  
He shall not judge by what his eyes see  
or decide by what his ears hear,  
but with righteousness he shall judge for the poor  
and decide with equity for the oppressed of the earth;  
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.  
Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist  
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.  
The wolf shall live with the lamb;  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid;  
the calf and the lion will feed together,  
and a little child shall lead them.*

*The cow and the bear shall graze;  
their young shall lie down together;  
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.  
The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.  
They will not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain,  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord  
as the waters cover the sea.  
On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the  
peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall  
be glorious.*

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

**Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**The Choir**

*"Lo, How a Rose e'er Blooming"*

**\*The Doxology**

**UMH # 95**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him, all creatures here below  
Praise him, ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

**Children's Time**

**Roy Spore**

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns/Pastoral Prayer**

*During this time, the congregation is invited to offer up their  
concerns by speaking their name or typing them into the "chat"  
box on Facebook. When offering up individuals, please type only  
their first name to protect their privacy. As each name is spoken,  
let the congregation respond "...Lord, hear our prayer."*

**Message**

**Roy Spore**

*"From the Roots"*

**Hymn of Preparation**

**UMH #207**

*"Prepare the Way of the Lord"*

*Prepare the way of the Lord.  
Prepare the way of the Lord,  
and all people will see the salvation of our God. (x3)*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

UMH 13

The Lord be with you  
*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts;

*We lift them up to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give our thanks and praise*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing ...

... And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

Holy are you, and blessed is Jesus Christ ...

... And so, in remembrance of these, your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

*Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.*

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered together, and on all these gifts ...

## GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

*At this time, let each person lift up the wafer as the pastor says:*

The Body of Christ, broken for you.

*Let each person lift up the cup as the pastor says:*

The Blood of Christ, shed for you.

## Hymn of Discipleship

UMH #617

*"I Come With Joy"*

*I come with joy to meet my Lord,  
forgiven, loved and free,  
in awe and wonder to recall  
his life laid down for me,  
his life laid down for me.*

*I come with Christians far and near  
to find, as all are fed,  
the new community of love  
in Christ's communion bread,  
in Christ's communion bread.*

*As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,  
each proud division ends.  
The love that made us makes us one,  
and strangers now are friends,  
and strangers now are friends.*

*And thus with joy we meet our Lord.  
His presence, always near,  
is in such friendship better known;  
we see and praise him here,  
we see and praise him here.*

*Together met, together bound,  
we'll go our different ways,  
and as his people in the world,  
we'll live and speak his praise,  
we'll live and speak his praise.*

## Benediction

## **Opportunities for Involvement and Ministry**

### **Each Sunday**

9:50 – Sunday School

11:00 – Worship

### **Each Wednesday**

10:00 – Friendship Crafters

12:00 – Noon Bible Study

### **Wednesday, December 10**

1:30 – Church Council

### **Sunday, December 14**

Christmas Party (*after worship*)

*Finger food & food donation for Market Depot*

### **Worship Leaders**

Rev. Roy Spore – Pastor

Shirley Waldrum – Music leader

Linda Pease - Pianist

Karen Spore – Technical Assistant

Ray Morgan – Lay Reader

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