

Traditional Service of Worship

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 24, 2025

11:00 a.m.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

In This Very Room
Emily Charleton

Harris

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please fill out a Connect Card located in the pew pocket
or scan the QR code on the bottom right side of this bulletin.

INTROIT

*HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
(Verses 1-4, 6)

No. 154

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Please respond by reading the bold text aloud.)

Leadership doesn't always come with a clear sign from heaven, and it
doesn't always feel certain.

**We come to worship, trusting that God's call doesn't always come
with clarity but always with purpose.**

Even when we don't have a burning bush or an angel's voice, God calls
us to lead in faith.

We will step forward in faith, even when the way seems uncertain.
Like Esther, we may not always feel equipped, but God works in us and
through us.

**We offer our hearts, trusting that God will lead us to the work at
hand.**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (THE APOSTLES' CREED)

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and
earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third
day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at
the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall
come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness
of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 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.**

*RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Let no one be a stranger in the house of God.
Please take this opportunity to greet those around you.

*HYMN

O Jesus, I Have Promised (verse 1)

No. 396

SCRIPTURE

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.
PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

Isaiah 41:8-10

BLESSING OF THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

& CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

We value the gift of generations, so all kids are invited to grab a worship
bag (or coloring supplies) and remain in the sanctuary as part of worship.
The nursery is open and available for kids four and younger.

ANTHEM

Amazing Grace
Pernel Polidor, Violin

Lanier

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 glory forever. Amen.**

OFFERTORY

Fight the Good Fight
Chancel Choir

Gardner

*DOXOLOGY

**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.**

No. 95

*HYMN OF ILLUMINATION

He Leadeth Me

No. 128

SCRIPTURE

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.
PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

Esther 4:8-16 (NLT)

SERMON

“Unlikely Leaders: Esther”

Rev. Emily Knight

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

How Firm a Foundation

No. 529

*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Psalm 19

Marcello

Worship Attendance - August 17, 2025

Contemporary Worship - In-person	72
Contemporary Worship- Online	4
Traditional Worship - In-person	107
Traditional Worship - Online	10
Total Worship	193

Serving in Worship Today

9 a.m. Contemporary Service

Nursery Helper: Marc Julia
Greeters: Rick Bible, Tami & Kevin Crowell
Tech Team: Caroline Jennings, Britt Scott

11 a.m. Traditional Service

Nursery Helper: Cynthia Round
Greeters: Emily Rehberg, Harriet Thurgood
Tech Team: Tessa McCorkle, Ava Manalo
Ushers: Shirley Davis, Jesse Manalo, Jake Manalo
Liturgist: Chris Western
Crucifer: Wyatt Snipes
Acolytes: Kara Manning, Lilah Manalo

What's Happening This Week?

TODAY:

Worship: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Kids Choir: 10:00 a.m. (Room 403)
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. (Rooms 202 & 204)
Youth Group: 10:00 a.m. (Room 302)
Kids Club: 10:30 a.m. (Room 402)
Book Discussion: 6:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Tai Chi: Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. & Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
(Fellowship Hall)
Karate: Tues. & Thurs. at 5:30 p.m., Sat. at 3:00 p.m. (Room 302)
Wednesday Night Ministry: Wed. at 5:30 p.m. (McCord Building)
Chancel Choir: Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. (Room 501)

Meals Served Last Week: 128

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.

Get Connected

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or scan this QR code.



* Congregation, please stand.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

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Gather with Song

Beautiful One - Jeremy Camp

Welcome! Greet one another in Christ!

Hallelujah To My King - Paul Baloche

Scripture

Isaiah 41:8-10

Nothing Ever (Could Separate Us) - Ben Calhoun

**Blessing of the Sanctuary Lights
& Children's Message**

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Announcements

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Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Offer Gifts to God

Been So Good - Elevation Worship

Proclaim God's Word

Esther 4:8-16 (NLT)

"Unlikely Leaders: Esther"

Rev. Emily Knight

Benediction and Sending

God Of This City - Bluetree

study WITH US
TONIGHT Aug. 24th 6:30
The Cost of Discipleship
 by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Special Service: 8/31 9 am & 11 am
3 Simple Rules

Do No Harm **Do Good** **Love God**


PANCAKE BREAKFAST
HOSTED BY: UMM
Sunday, August 31 @ 10am
RHAMES FELLOWSHIP HALL

5th Sunday Special Offering
August 31st

 **Residing Hope**

FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS
 Returns Friday, September 5th at 11:00 a.m.
 in the Fellowship Hall for Coffee,
 Chatting, & The River City Dulcimer Group
 followed by lunch at Noon

Offerings can be placed in the offering plates, mailed to the church (819 Park St. Jacksonville, FL 32204) or given online using "MyWell" (code to the right): www.mywell.org/give/rpumc



Unlikely LEADERS

God's strength shows up in our weakness



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