November 1, 2026: 23rd Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints Sunday

~~ GATHERING BEFORE GOD ~~

GREETINGS ~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ JOYS ~ CONCERNS ~ GOD MOMENTS ~

✞ **HYMN** "Rejoice in God's Saints" UMH #708
The Light of Christ Enters

OPENING PRAYER (unison) UMH #713

~~ PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD ~~

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Joshua 3:7-17

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37 UMH #830

CHORAL HYMN "For All the Saints" UMH #711

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 23:1-12

INTERACTIVE/CHILDREN'S TIME

✞ **HYMN** "Cry of My Heart" TFWS #2165

MESSAGE "Witness"

~~ RESPONDING IN THE SPIRIT ~~

CONFESSION and PARDON UMH p.12

~~ THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION~~

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING UMH p.13
THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH #895
CANDLELIGHTING FOR SAINTS
All who seek to know Christ are invited to partake.

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING
✞ Doxology UMH #95

OFFERTORY / PASTORAL PRAYER
"The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective." James 5:16

~~ *SENDING FORTH* ~~

✞ **HYMN** "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" UMH #712
The Light of Christ Leads Us into the World

✞ **BENEDICTION**

✞ Postlude "Now Thank We All Our God" UMH #102

✞ *Standing as you are able to the glory of God*

Lectionary for Nov 8, 2026 (24th Sun after Pentecost)**:**
Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25; Psalm 78:1-7;
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

Thank you for joining us for worship.

~~ *ANNOUNCEMENTS* ~~

TODAY:

9:00 am	Worship – Georgetown UMC
10:30 am	Worship – South Otselic UMC
3:00 pm	*Weekly Worship – Oxford Veterans Home*

WEEKLY / BIWEEKLY / MONTHLY:

† **Pastor in the office** – Wed 11 am to 2 pm, Thurs 1-4 pm

† **Administrative Board** – Georgetown, 3rd Sunday 8:15 am; South Otselic, 4th Sunday 11:45(ish) am

† **Food Pantry** – 3rd Thursday each month 3-6 pm
Special requests call Kevin Grewe 607-337-8941

† **Sunshine Shop** Thu & Fri 10-4; Sat 9-noon
– Next open Nov 5-7, Nov 19-21, Dec 3-5, Dec 17-19;
closed for January
– For emergency clothing, call 315-653-7490.

† **Community Lunch** – 1st & 3rd Thursdays, noon, South Otselic UMC; next dates Nov 5, Nov19

UPCOMING EVENTS:

† **Charge Conference** – Nov 1, 7 pm, Norwich (Broad St)

† **Rummage Sale** – Nov 14, 9am-2pm South Otselic UMC

† **Wreathmaking** – Nov 21 & 23, 9 am, South Otselic UMC

† **Hanging of the Greens** – Nov 29, morning services

- **Thanksgiving meal** – Nov 29, 11:45, South Otselic UMC
- **Blue Christmas** – Dec 20, morning services
- **Christmas Eve** – Dec 24, 5 pm Georgetown UMC, 7 pm South Otselic UMC

PRAYER LIST: (Short Term):
From 10/25 – Nick Curry, Lenora Hite, Mike Knapp, Sheldon family, Georgetown Amish, France, US
From 10/18 – Lexi Miner
From 10/11 – Give God thanks!
From 10/4 – Laurie Brussel, Chris Marquard, Elva White, family of Paul Thurston

(Long Term): Jonna Bartlett, Richard Bishop, David Boyer, Ron Colasudo, Kaity Davis, Doug Evans, Linda Excell, Ted Gargas, Kevin Grewe, Roger Hakes, Chuck Hathaway, Fran Knickerbocker, Patti Lamandia, Diane MacGregor, Cassandra & Christopher Marquard, Chris Marquard, Maverick Mesko, Aaron Miller, Phil Mudge, Mitch Mullenax, Jenny Naber, Elaine Perkins, John & Carole Roalef, Kate Robinson, Justin Sheldon, Matt & Annette Sheldon, Cathy Silver, Jim Slocum, Harvey Stalker, Normajean Stark, Kenneth Sullivan, Angela (Graves) Szlamczynski, David Wentworth

Travel mercies for family and friends
Our men and women in the military
World leaders, our country, & the need for peace

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS:
November: 1-Chris Kalin; 2-Kevin Grewe; 9-Shira Shen; 11-Vicky Shen; 19-Brian Newton; 25-Carl Johnson
December: 2-Melissa Nelson; 14-Liz Bronson; 18-Annie Campbell; 19-Pete Kalin; 25-Gail Evans Burpee; 31-Betty Graham



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Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37 UMH 830

1 O give thanks to the Lord, who is good,
whose steadfast love endures forever!

2 Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,
whom the Lord has redeemed from trouble

3 and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.

4 Some wandered in desert wastes,
finding no way to a city in which to dwell;

5 hungry and thirsty,
their soul fainted within them.

6 Then in their trouble, they cried to the Lord,
who delivered them from their distress,

7 and led them by a straight way,
till they reached a city in which to dwell.

33 The Lord turns rivers into a desert,
springs of water into thirsty ground,

34 a fruitful land into a salty waste,
because of the wickedness of its inhabitants.

35 The Lord turns a desert into pools of water,
a parched land into springs of water.

36 The Lord lets the hungry dwell there,
and they establish a city in which to live;

37 they sow fields, and plant vineyards,
and get a fruitful yield.

Joshua 3:7-17 NRSVue

7 The Lord said to Joshua, “This day I will begin
to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, so that they
may know that I will be with you as I was with
Moses.
8 You are the one who shall command the
priests who bear the ark of the covenant, ‘When you
come to the edge of the waters of the Jordan, you
shall stand still in the Jordan.’ ”
9 Joshua then said to the Israelites, “Draw near
and hear the words of the Lord your God.”
10 Joshua said, “By this you shall know that
among you is the living God who without fail will
drive out from before you the Canaanites, Hittites,
Hivites, Perizzites, Girgashites, Amorites, and
Jebusites:
11 the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the
earth is going to pass before you into the Jordan.
12 So now select twelve men from the tribes of
Israel, one from each tribe.
13 When the soles of the feet of the priests who
bear the ark of the Lord, the Lord of all the earth,
come to rest in the waters of the Jordan, the waters
of the Jordan flowing from above shall be cut off;
they shall stand in a single heap.”
14 When the people set out from their tents to
cross over the Jordan, the priests bearing the ark of
the covenant were in front of the people.
15 Now the Jordan overflows all its banks
throughout the time of harvest. So when those who
bore the ark had come to the Jordan and the feet of
the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the edge
of the water,

16 the waters flowing from above stood still,
rising up in a single heap far off at Adam, the city
that is beside Zarethan, while those flowing toward
the sea of the Arabah, the Dead Sea, were wholly
cut off. Then the people crossed over opposite
Jericho.
17 While all Israel were crossing over on dry
ground, the priests who bore the ark of the covenant
of the Lord stood firmly on dry ground in the middle
of the Jordan, until the entire nation finished
crossing over the Jordan.

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 NRSVue

9 You remember our labor and toil, brothers and
sisters; we worked night and day so that we might
not burden any of you while we proclaimed to you
the gospel of God.
10 You are witnesses, and God also, how pure,
upright, and blameless our conduct was toward you
believers.
11 As you know, we dealt with each one of you
like a father with his children,
12 urging and encouraging you and pleading that
you lead a life worthy of God, who calls you into his
own kingdom and glory.
13 We also constantly give thanks to God for this,
that when you received the word of God that you
heard from us you accepted it not as a human word
but as what it really is, God’s word, which is also at
work in you believers.

Matthew 23:1-12 NRSVue

1 Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his
disciples,
2 “The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses’s
seat;
3 therefore, do whatever they teach you and
follow it, but do not do as they do, for they do not
practice what they teach.
4 They tie up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and
lay them on the shoulders of others, but they
themselves are unwilling to lift a finger to move
them.
5 They do all their deeds to be seen by others,
for they make their phylacteries broad and their
fringes long.
6 They love to have the place of honor at
banquets and the best seats in the synagogues
7 and to be greeted with respect in the
marketplaces and to have people call them rabbi.
8 But you are not to be called rabbi, for you
have one teacher, and you are all brothers and
sisters.
9 And call no one your father on earth, for you
have one Father, the one in heaven.
10 Nor are you to be called instructors, for you
have one instructor, the Messiah.
11 The greatest among you will be your servant.
12 All who exalt themselves will be humbled, and
all who humble themselves will be exalted.