

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Worship Service October 18, 2026
22nd Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Leaders: Rev. Effie McAvoy & Donna Gaumond

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Instrumental*

OPENING PRAYER

Happy are we, O God, when our hearts are full, our ways are yours, our spirits enlivened by your call. Happy are we, O God, when our lives are guided by delight. We gather here today for just that, holy God. We gather to draw on all you would give us to be more fully yours. In Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Written by Rev. Kaji S. Douša

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MUSIC "Praise My Soul the King of Heaven" UMH No. 66

Please stand in body or in spirit

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory now and forever. Amen.

TITHES & OFFERING [HTTPS://WWW.SOVUMC.ORG/GIVING](https://www.sovumc.org/giving)

OFFERTORY "The Lord of Life, A Vine is He" SOV Choir

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

Please stand in body or in spirit

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CENTERING HYMN "Thank You, Jesus" TFWS No.2081 (2X)

NEW TESTAMENT

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

MESSAGE

Give Thanks in Every Situation

Rev. Effie McAvoy

MUSIC

"Now Thank We All Our God"

UMH No. 102

CLOSING PRAYER

POSTLUDE

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Worship @ 9A

SUNDAY SCHOOL (September-May) Sundays, 9AM

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9AM - Noon

Rev. Effie McAvoy, Pastor, Lisa Marciniak, Family & Children's Ministry Coordinator
Mary Hunter and Megan Crete, Lay Leaders- Cathy Clasper-Torch, Music Leader

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY UMC VISION STATEMENT

We are a multi-generational Christ community seeking to sing God's spirit
into the world by inviting all, serving all, loving all.