

ORDER OF WORSHIP | NOVEMBER 15, 2026

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Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon, senior pastor | Rev. Katie Jo Suddaby, assistant pastor

Jessica Irfan, CE Coordinator | Carl Galland, music director | Samuel Baker, organist

Naomi Chad, soprano; Paige Robinson, alto; Jonathan Ellwanger, tenor; Kit Chan, bass

Order of Worship

Feel free to use any gender-neutral language in hymns or responses.

Prelude *We All Believe In One True God* Joh. L. Krebs

Chiming of the Hour

For Meditation:

Surely the Lord God does nothing, without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets. Amos 3:7

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Music for Meditation *Hommage à Manuel de Falla* Béla Kovács

Welcome and Prayer Richard Wien

Invitation To Worship

One: Sometimes each of us feels overwhelmed by the concerns of life.
All: It is difficult to keep going, to see our way, to hear our way.
One: We live in endless questions and decisions; we are sometimes hard of hearing.
All: We need to stop and listen, or take action in a different direction.
One: Today we come to worship,
All: to be challenged to action, or to have a rest.
One: Whatever you need this day, may God's presence provide.
All: Guide us, O God, by your Spirit as we worship, that your will may be done here today. Amen

*Hymn *Sing A New Song* #10

Scripture *Amos 7:10-17* Richard Wien

Morning Prayer, sharing our joys and concerns
with unison Lord's Prayer

Special Music *Steal Away* Traditional Spiritual
FBCR Section Leaders arr. Howard Helvey
with Carl Galland, clarinet; Doleen Hood, piano

Children's Time Pastor Joanne

*if able please stand

*Hymn	*Bless His Holy Name*	#4
Scripture and Prayer	*Amos 2:6-7a, 3:9-10, 5:21-24*	
Sermon	*Amos: Do you have ears to hear?*	Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon

Giving our Gifts to God and Dedication of Gifts and Pledges

Music for Response	*Allegretto*	Herman Schroeder
Doxology	*We Give Thee But Thine Own*	

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be.
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

Invitation to Mission and Ministry

*Closing Hymn	*Healer of our Every Ill*	#630
Benediction		
Postlude	*Now Thank We All Our God*	arr. Albert L. Travis

*if able please stand

INVITATION TO MISSION AND MINISTRY

We welcome you to First Rochester, regardless of race, class, gender, physical challenge, place of origin, or sexual orientation. If you're new with us, please fill out the connection card found in your pew and drop it in the offering plate. You may also make a prayer request on the reverse side. We look forward to getting to know you better and praying with you.

Today:

- Our First Rochester Choir rehearses in the choir room at 9:15 AM. If you would like to be part of the choir regularly or just to sing in this year's Cantata, you are welcome to join us.
- Our children will leave worship following the Children's Time. There will also be Children's Choir during Second Hour.
- Thank you to the many who make our Sunday programs work.
- Immediately following worship, we will have a time of Fellowship in the Garden Room, adjacent to the sanctuary, where you will find treats and conversation.
- There will be a Mission meeting in the library after fellowship today.

Upcoming Events:

- Wednesday Evenings in November will finish out the month on November 18 with a *Service of Gratitude* in the Chapel at 6 PM with scripture, music, prayer, and more. There will be no Wednesday Program on November 25 due to Thanksgiving.
- OWLS (Older Wiser Learning Seniors) on Thursday, November 19, will *Give Thanks to Our OWLS Volunteers*. Chair exercise is at 11:30 AM with a lunch and program beginning at 12:15 PM. Please RSVP to Kandee at *kandeetabor@gmail.com.*
- Book Club will meet on November 24 at 11:30 AM for fellowship and to discuss the book, *Founding Mothers* by Cokie Roberts.
- Mark your calendars for First Rochester Choir's Cantata on Sunday, December 6. Our children are preparing to lead us in worship on Sunday, December 13. You won't want to miss both of these special Advent Sundays!
- Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held on Thursday, December 24 at 5:00 PM.

Giving:

- On Communion Sunday, the first Sunday of the month, is when we accept canned pasta with meat and jellies for the Center for Youth's Food Nook. Since July of 2025, we have donated **919** to the youth at risk and in need that the Center serves.
- The Giving Tree will accept your donations for the STAR program, gifts for children served by Cameron Community. STAR Gift Tags have been placed on the Giving Tree for you to select. We need these gifts returned by Dec. 6. We will accept your donations of wrapping paper, large gift bags, tissue paper, and tape (placed under the Giving Tree). The Giving Tree will also accept hats, scarves, mittens, and gloves to decorate the Tree for Cameron Community Clients!
- Our next 5th Sunday Mission Project will be on November 29, when we will pack cold weather kits for the Street Ministries of Cameron Community and House of Mercy.

Sign-ups in the Garden Room:

- Sign-ups are available in the Garden Room for November and December Readers, Ushers, and Fellowship.
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Upcoming Meetings:

- Mission Meeting: 3rd Sunday of the month, November 15, in the library after fellowship.
- Trustees will meet on November 16 on Zoom at 6 PM.
- Council will meet on November 17 on campus in the Library at 6 PM. Contact Dick if you are unable to attend.