

SERVICE NOTES

UMH: *United Methodist Hymnal*, TFWS: *The Faith We Sing*, Girdwood Chapel's CCLI Basic #: 11038417, CCLI Streaming License #: CSPL155734, CEB: *Common English Bible*.

This week's worship helpers—Greeter: Wendy, Tech Helper: Gus, Liturgist: Seth, Preacher: Pastor Hyunghye Kim

Next Week's Worship Helpers Sign-up

- Greeter: Ann
- Tech Helper: Kevin
- Liturgist: Betty

Announcements:

- **Food Pantry:** First Sun. 2-4p.m., 2nd&4th Wednesdays 4-6p.m.
- **Fall Sermon Series** (Sep. 21–Nov. 16) follows a book, *The Good and Beautiful God: Falling in Love with the God Jesus Knows*. If you'd like to purchase a copy, please contact Terry.
- **Women's Bible Study: Mondays at 6:30 pm** in the Green Room.
- **All-Church Conference 2025:** Oct 28th(Tue.) at 6:00pm in the Green Room or via Zoom. All are invited to attend. All have voice, members of Girdwood Chapel have vote. The Order of Worship is available in the Chapel Chatter.
- **PFD Drive for New Front Doors:** Every gift helps make our church more welcoming and accessible to all!
- **World Communion Sunday next sunday (Nov.2):** Next Sunday, we join Christians around the world in celebrating our unity at Christ's table. World Communion Sunday also supports scholarships for racial and ethnic students, helping raise up leaders to transform communities. A special offering will be received.
- **Giving Drive 2026:** The printed version is available today, and the online version will be available in the Chapel Chatter.

Subscribe our church newsletter, "Chapel Chatter,"
for the detailed announcements



Our Church Mission:
Love God,
Love Others, and
Change the World!

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 26, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

** Indicates an invitation to rise in body or spirit.*

Welcome & Announcements (*back of bulletin*)

*Call to worship

One: The Holy One calls us to draw near.

Many: We come in faith, not in fear.

One: God's holiness is not distance but love that burns bright and clear.

Many: God's holiness is justice, kindness, and mercy without end.

One: Come, all who long to be renewed.

Many: We come to worship the God who is wholly good, who shows no favoritism and welcomes all with open arms.

One: Let us worship the Lord our God — holy, patient, and kind.

All: Amen.

*Opening hymn "Come and Find the Quiet Center" TFWS #2128
lyrics on the screen

Opening prayer

All: Holy and gracious God,

You are pure goodness, steady love, and patient mercy.

We come before You today aware of how easily we rush through life, how quickly we judge others, and how seldom we make room for You.

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Yet You do not turn away. In Your holiness, You draw near with kindness that leads us home.
As we gather to worship, quiet our hearts, clear our minds, and help us to see Your holiness not as distance, but as invitation — not as threat, but as love at full strength.
Meet us in this hour, O God of mercy and truth.
Make us whole, make us holy, and make us Yours.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture reading Romans 2:1–11 (CEB)

- 1 So every single one of you who judge others is without any excuse. You condemn yourself when you judge another person because the one who is judging is doing the same things.
- 2 We know that God’s judgment agrees with the truth, and his judgment is against those who do these kinds of things.
- 3 If you judge those who do these kinds of things while you do the same things yourself, think about this: Do you believe that you will escape God’s judgment?
- 4 Or do you have contempt for the riches of God’s generosity, tolerance, and patience? Don’t you realize that God’s kindness is supposed to lead you to change your heart and life?
- 5 You are storing up wrath for yourself because of your stubbornness and your heart that refuses to change. God’s just judgment will be revealed on the day of wrath.
- 6 God will repay everyone based on their works.
- 7 On the one hand, he will give eternal life to those who look for glory, honor, and immortality based on their patient good work.
- 8 But on the other hand, there will be wrath and anger for those who obey wickedness instead of the truth because they are acting out of selfishness and disobedience.
- 9 There will be trouble and distress for every human being who does evil, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.
- 10 But there will be glory, honor, and peace for everyone who does what is good, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.

11 God does not have favorites.

One: This is the Word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sharing takeaways from the book

Lay Person

Message “God Is Holy”

*Hymn after the message

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty” UMH #64

Invitation to generosity: Offering baskets are available on the side/back of the sanctuary. Or Mail your check: PO Box 1068, Girdwood, AK 99587, or give online; *scan QR code*→



Offering prayer: Please join me in offering prayer

All: Holy God, every good thing comes from You—our breath, our work, our relationships, our daily bread. Receive these gifts as signs of gratitude, and teach us to offer not only our money but our time, attention, and compassion. As You have given freely, may we give generously, so that Your holiness might be seen in acts of fairness and kindness. Through Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

Joys and concerns & The Lord’s prayer

Joys: “Thanks be to God” | **Response: “Halleluia”**

Concerns: “God in Your mercy” | **Response: “Hear our prayer”**

Holy communion: All are welcome at this open table.

Invitation to the Table; The Great Thanksgiving; Breaking the Bread and Sharing the Bread and the Cup; Prayer after Communion

*Closing hymn “Take My Life, and Let It Be” UMH #399
lyrics on the screen

*Benediction

*Sending forth song “On Eagles Wings” (CCLI Song #3127)

It is the tradition of the Girdwood Chapel UMC to form a circle, hold hands, and sing ‘On Eagles Wings.’

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