

## Worship Participants

Rodney Gasaway, Randy Umfleet, Joy Barrett  
Brian Brill, keys  
Brian Carson, guitar  
Seth Campbell, bass  
Wesley Fritzemeier, drums  
Kaci Friss, vocals

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### This week

Sunday	10 am	Social Justice Discussion Group
	10:15 am	Confirmation
	12:15 pm	Rezound Handbell Practice
	3:30 pm	Town Hall
Monday	6:30 pm	Parent Group
	6:45 pm	Monday Night Bible Study
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Safety & Emergency Procedures Task Force
	7 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	1 pm	Women's Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Nominations and Leadership Development

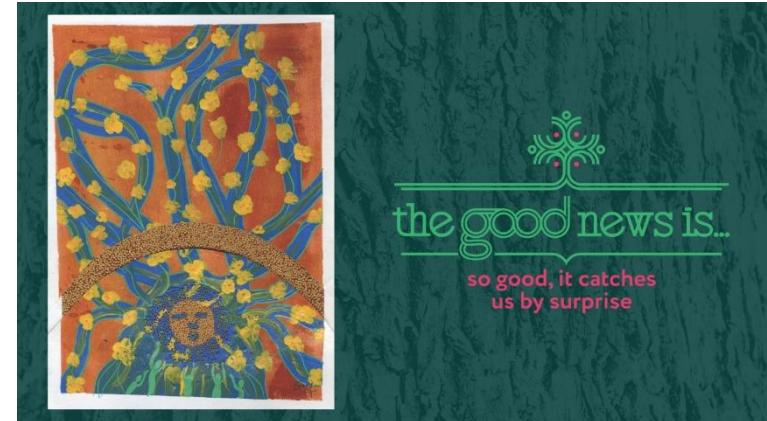
### Question of the day:

What "good news" is God calling you to share in a world often shaped by bad news?



### 9 am Worship

February 22, 2026



### Scripture: Matthew 13:31-32

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## Order of Worship

We invite you to participate in worship as we connect with God and each other. You are welcome to remain seated, stand, or move around, whichever you prefer.

### Gathering Music

*Wayfarin' Stranger*

### Welcome

### Prelude

*Ain't-a That Good News!*

### Call to Worship

Leader: *The good news of God's love is this:*

All: **God gives us what we need.**  
**God brings joy when we are sad.**  
**God forgives us when we mess up.**

Leader: *The good news of God's love is this:*

All: **God helps people who feel stuck.**  
**God gives hope when things are hard.**  
**God turns strangers into friends.**

Leader: *Come on in—everyone belongs here!*

God's good news is for you.

All: **Let us worship God, who loves us all.**

### Opening Song

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You*

### Invitation to Children and Youth for age-level groups

### Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

Loving God, somewhere along the way we picked up the message that in order to be faithful, we have to be serious. We have to pray on our knees without ceasing. We have to be somber in worship and quiet in our studies. We have to check our wiggles and our questions at the door.

But then you say the kingdom of God is like a mustard seed—unruly and untamed.

And all of a sudden, we wonder:

Can we be like that mustard seed?

Can we be faithful and unruly? Can we be playful and curious?

Can we be messy and still be yours?

We know the answer already.

The Spirit whispers: *of course, of course, of course.*

Forgive our doubt.

Pull us closer into your embrace.

With faith like a mustard seed, we pray. Amen.

### Words of Forgiveness

Leader: *Hear these words of forgiveness...  
the answer is and always will be:*

All: **of course, of course, of course.**

Leader: *This is the good news of the gospel.*

All: **Thanks be to God! Amen**

### Solo

*Love Is a Wild Thing*

### Message

### Response in Song

*In a Neat and Tidy Garden*

### Community Prayer

### Closing Song

*Seeds of God's Garden, Tenderly Planted*

### Benediction

### Exit Music

*Tell Me Something Good*