

Welcome to worship! As we enter Holy Week, we gather to seek how Jesus' good news will move us—shaping our lives, guiding our actions, and calling us to bear his light in the world.

This worship service can be watched live on YouTube, as it happens, anywhere you have an internet connection. Additionally, past services will be archived so you can stay up-to-date or relive your favorite Sunday morning moments. You can find the link on our website or check it out at <https://bit.ly/FPClive>

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Fellowship: Women of Faith

NOTE: Sheet music for the hymns can be found on the next page or pages.



Order of Worship
March 29, 2026

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**THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
PALM SUNDAY**

10:00 AM

MARCH 29, 2026



THE FIRST NOTE OF THE PRELUDE begins our worship.

Please use the prelude to center yourself in God's presence. We invite you to continue fellowship after worship.

** Those who are able are invited to stand.*

FOCUSING UPON GOD'S PRESENCE AND VOICE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Will you follow?

Will you lay down your coat?

Will you lay down something important?

Will you shout "Hosanna"?

Will you join the parade?

Will you sing, even if your throat is hoarse?

Will you cut down a palm branch?

Will you wave it in the air?

Will you follow the one riding on a donkey?

Will you let this good news inspire you to act?

All: We will. We will sing.

We will pay close attention.

We will worship.

We will follow.

One: Hosanna in the highest!

All: Hosanna in the highest.

***OPENING PRAYER**

*HYMN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor 196

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re-deem-er, King,

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho-san-nas ring!

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 2 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
 3 To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
 4 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One.
 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
 to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra-cious King!

These stanzas for Palm Sunday have been selected and translated from a much longer Latin poem written by a bishop who was the leading theologian in Charlemagne's court. They are sung to a 17th-century German chorale, as adapted for these words in the mid-19th century.

LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

One: The very first Palm Sunday was a day of action. It was a day of movement, of crowded city streets, and cries of "Hosanna!" It was a day of peaceful protest and dreams for a better world. The first Palm Sunday was a day of peaceful, hopeful action. So friends, on this Palm Sunday, let us join the saints before us in an act of faith. Let us begin with an act of prayer, an act of honesty, an act of transformation. Let us begin by drawing close to God and sharing the truth of our lives. Let us begin with confession. Join me in prayer:

All: Jesus of Nazareth, we know that you spent your days teaching and healing. You marched through the streets and walked on water. You laid hands on the sick and broke bread at crowded dinner tables. Your good news was not confined to conversation. It was not confined to the Temple. Your good news was an act of love, alive in the world. Holy God, we long for a faith like that. Forgive us for the times when we confine our faith to something we think about, as opposed to something we act upon. Inspire us to love as you loved. Inspire us to act. With hope for tomorrow, we pray.

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayers.

(A moment is given for silent confession to God.)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*SHARING THE PEACE

One: Since God has forgiven us, let us also forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share our forgiven joy with one another.

*HYMN OF ASSURANCE #581 *"Gloria Patri"*

THE WORD OF GOD TO THE CHURCH

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
⁶ who, though he existed in the form of God,
 did not regard equality with God
 as something to be grasped,
⁷ but emptied himself,
 taking the form of a slave,
 assuming human likeness.
And being found in appearance as a human,
⁸ he humbled himself
 and became obedient to the point of death—
 even death on a cross.
⁹ Therefore God exalted him even more highly
 and gave him the name
 that is above every other name,
¹⁰ so that at the name given to Jesus
 every knee should bend,
 in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
¹¹ and every tongue should confess
 that Jesus Christ is Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

PSALM 118:1-2, 19-29

(from the NIV, read responsively)

One: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

All: Let Israel say: “His love endures forever.”

One: Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.

All: This is the gate of the Lord through which righteousness may enter.

One: I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.

All: The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

One: The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice and be glad.

All: Lord, save us! Lord, grant us success!

One: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. From the house of the Lord, we bless you.

All: The Lord is God, and he has made his light shine on us. With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar.

One: You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you.

All: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THIRD SCRIPTURE LESSON

MARK 11:1-11

11 When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples ²and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. ³If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this: ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’ ” ⁴They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” ⁶They told them what Jesus had said, and they allowed them to take it. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

¹⁰ Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

¹¹ Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple, and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

*HYMN

726 Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons

Capo 3: (D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (Asus) (A)
 F C7 Dm Gm7 Csus C

1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
 2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?
 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B^b F

Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?
 Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?
 Will you set the pris-oners free and nev - er be the same?
 Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?
 Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.

(Em7) (G) (F#m7) (G) (Asus)(A)
 Gm7 B^b Am7 B^b Csus C

Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at-tract or scare?
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,
 Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round,
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B^b F

will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"
 Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"
 and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"
 through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"
 Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS
 INTERCESSIONS AND PETITIONS
 THE LORD'S PRAYER

Glory to God Hymnal - Pg. 35
 (Please use "debts & debtors".)

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

CALL FOR OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY

"Ride On, King Jesus"

*SONG OF RESPONSE #606

"Doxology"

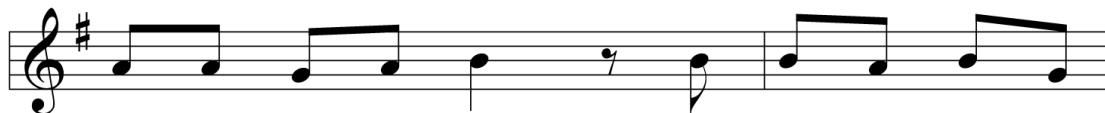
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN

A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd 200



1 A cheer - ing, chant - ing, diz - zy crowd had
2 They laid their gar - ments in the road and
3 When day dimmed down to deep - ening dark the
4 Lest we be fooled be - cause our hearts have
5 In - stead of palms, a wind - ing sheet will



stripped the green trees bare, and hail - ing Christ as
spread his path with palms and vows of last - ing
crowd be - gan to fade till on - ly tram - pled
surged with pass - ing praise, re - mind us, God, as
have to be un - rolled, a car - pet much more



king a - loud, waved branch - es in the air.
love be - stowed with roy - al hymns and psalms.
leaves and bark were left from the pa - rade.
this week starts where Christ has fixed his gaze.
fit to greet the king a cross will hold.

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

Please feel free to sit and reflect during the postlude or depart and join us in Fellowship Hall.



Faith Life

March 29, 2026

You're warmly invited to stay after worship for a time of fellowship. It's a chance to connect, catch up, and grow in community—plus enjoy some light refreshments. We hope you'll join us!



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Dedication this morning.
Please see the back page.



Bloom

HELP. HEAL. HOPE.

Bloom For Women Presentation

Sunday, April 12, 11:15 ish

In the Sanctuary after SMT

The Ministry to the Community Committee is happy to invite the congregation to a presentation by Carol Anderson, founder and CEO of Bloom For Women, to be held in the sanctuary on April 12, following our Sunday Morning Together coffee time.

With empathy and compassion, this faith-based organization exists to provide sanctuary and a continuum of care to heal, empower, and employ survivors of trafficking. Bloom for Women's mission is to empower survivors to heal and create a new future by offering emergency supplies, a safe place to stay, case management, and referral services to survivors as they consider next steps.

Bloom offers residential housing programs at 5 area homes for women in their program that allow residents to heal and, in time, transition to a life of independent living. To that end, they offer counseling, vocational training, educational training, and many additional services and programs.

With a 9-person advisory board, a 9-person board of directors, and partnering relationships with law enforcement and the judiciary, Bloom is uniquely positioned to help the most vulnerable in our community.

Please join us on April 12 to meet Carol and learn more about this amazing local organization. She will open the floor to questions at the conclusion of her presentation.

Palm Sunday Activity – Join the Fun!

Plans have shifted a bit this year, but the fun continues! Instead of the originally planned scavenger hunt, we invite you to stay for Sunday Morning Together this morning and help us prepare for Easter in a creative way.

We'll be decorating placemats for our Easter Breakfast, adding color and festive spirit to the celebration. All ages are welcome—come enjoy a relaxed time of creativity and community as we get ready for Easter together!



Easter Breakfast **Proceeds benefit Work Camp**



Serving begins at 8:30 on Easter morning.

Please sign up on the bulletin board by Fellowship Hall.

\$10 for adults - \$5 for kids under 12.

Extra hands are always welcome!
Help will be needed on Sat. March 30 and Easter morning.
Anyone willing to help with preparation, serving, and clean-up should reach out to John Gill.

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Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to Noon
Closed Fridays

Mark Your Calendars!



CHURCH CLEAN-UP DAY!

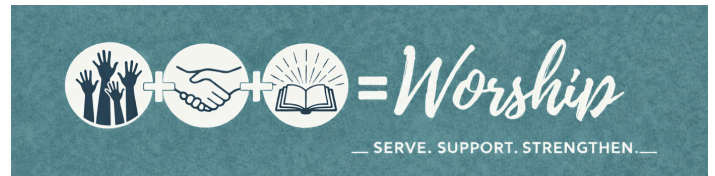
April 19

Following Worship

Light Lunch Provided

Tasks for Every
Ability Level!

We'd Love Your Help!



Serve. Support. Strengthen Worship.

Our worship depends on our faithful volunteers — and **right now, we need more hands to serve.** In a small congregation, every person truly matters. Easy instructions are provided in advance so you will feel prepared and supported.

Please prayerfully consider stepping into one of our volunteer roles:

- **Worship Assistant** – Help lead portions of worship alongside the pastor. Script and instructions provided. Sign up on the whiteboard in the narthex or contact Sally Heimbach.
- **Audio Tech** – Run the sound during worship. We have four trained volunteers, but need one more. Training will be provided by Sally Heimbach.
- **Video Tech** – Advance worship slides during the service. Two people currently serve; we urgently need two additional volunteers. Andy Ingram will provide the necessary training.
- **Fellowship Hosts** – Offer simple hospitality following worship. Guidelines are provided. Sign up on the whiteboard in the narthex or contact Sally Heimbach.
- **Ushers/Greeters** – Welcome worshipers and help the morning flow smoothly. Sign up in the narthex or speak with Anne Laubach.
- **Nursery Volunteers** – Care for our youngest during worship. No clearances yet? We'll guide you through the process. Sign up on the whiteboard or reach out to Sally Heimbach.

Your presence strengthens our worship. Your service blesses our church family.

If you've been waiting for the right moment to step forward, this is it.

Please take a moment to check the whiteboard in the narthex and also the usher sign-up sheet on the table. The dates where volunteers are still needed are easy to spot.





TODAY—Lenten Bible Study, Fellowship, Decorating Placemats for Easter, Fellowship
Apr. 5—Easter Breakfast
Apr. 12—Bloom for Women presentation, Fellowship, Children’s music

Apr. 19—Clean-up day, light lunch
Apr. 26—Q & A with Pastor Becki, Fellowship, Children’s music



Teachers’ Closet

Faith Church’s Teachers’ Closet provides local educators with a welcoming place to pick up free classroom supplies—items many would otherwise buy with their own money.

Elementary and middle school teachers in our area are deeply grateful for this support.

Open monthly:

- 1st Saturday, 10–11:30 a.m.
- 3rd Wednesday, 3:30–5:00 p.m.
- A volunteer sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex.
- Support the closet through our Amazon Wish List: <https://bit.ly/46Pjb7l>



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Conversations

Conversations is a gathering of women that meets on the second Thursday of the month, and all are welcome!

We will not meet this month, but will gather again on **April 9**.

If you have any questions, please speak with Anne Laubach or Donna Call. Thank you!



Maundy Thursday

April 2 - Prayer Stations with Communion
 Gathering here, in Fellowship Hall

Good Friday

April 3 - Join us for Good Friday Worship of Shadows at The Barn: 2132 S 12th St, Suite 203, Allentown

Easter

April 5 - “The Good News is Alive in the World”
 Colossians 3:1-4, Matthew 28:1-10



Save the Date! **She Nailed It - May 4**

The SHE NAILED IT event on **Monday, May 4**, is a fundraiser for Habitat for Humanity of the LV, focusing on housing inequity for women. This event is held at Dimmick Park in Hellertown from 2-5 pm. Teams of 4 women compete in a speed nail hammering contest.

Faith Presbyterian Church- AKA Built on Faith- team is Anne Zayaitz, Mary Horst, Heather Davis, Sally Heimbach, and Lynn Ingram as an alternate.

Just in case, seeing us four fine women hammering nails into a board, hopefully with great speed and no unfortunate mishaps, is not enough of an enticement, there will be food trucks, 50-50, and other raffles available.

All teams are also asked to have a TAILGATE Vehicle with a theme. If you are interested in helping with this please contact our TAILGATE POSSE, Zona Farmer, Carolyn Baittinger, and Ginnie Tietjens.

We also really need cheerleaders. Since this is a fundraiser, each team is tasked to raise a minimum of \$2,000 by April 17.

We need to raise \$225 more by 4/17 to reach our goal!

You may donate through the church or send a check directly to Habitat for Humanity (245 N. Graham Street, Allentown, PA, 18109) **Attention Sarah Elmer**, and write in the memo BUILT on FAITH or donate online directly to our account (use the QR code).



the Gospel of John

Word on Wednesday Bible Study

Join us Wednesdays at noon in the church parlor. All are welcome!

WOW will not meet April 1 or 8. Our last WOW before summer break will be May 27.



Youth Group Needs

Pastor Jo Marchetto, our Youth Group Director, is looking for volunteers to support youth group. If you have an idea for a program, or if you would like to join us for an activity, we would love to have you join us!



One of the gifts of faith communities are the intergenerational relationships that form into mentorships. You all have the potential to be excellent mentors to our youth. If you would like to think this through or ask questions about mentoring, I would love to talk to you! Please feel free to call or email her anytime.

How Can You Support Our Youth?

Sponsoring a meal for our Groups is a simple way to support our youth. To schedule or sponsor a meal, scan the QR code or call Pastor Jo. Thank you for supporting our youth!



St. Matthew's Clothes Closet

St. Matthew's Clothes Closet, located at 5th and Ridge in Emmaus, is open year-round. Donations may be placed anytime in the wooden collection box beside the office door. They gladly accept seasonal men's, women's, and children's clothing, along with shoes, linens, and small toys. Donations are delivered to St. Matthew's twice each month.

If you're not yet familiar with this wonderful community resource, the Clothes Closet is open for shopping on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There is no charge to shop, though cash donations are appreciated. Parking is available in the small lot behind the church. Please enter through the door closest to the alley and take the elevator to the second floor, where items are neatly organized by category.



Thank you for your continued generosity and ongoing support!



Messages to be shared via the Prayer Chain may be emailed directly to prayers@faithchurchemmaus.org. Messages can also be sent through a form on the Prayer Requests page of the church website.



YARD SALE!

MAY 30 • 8 AM To 1 PM

Two or Three Vendor Spaces Available

Spaces \$10 each

Contact Sally Heimbach

Two Weeks of Faith

This calendar is prepared a few days ahead of distribution.
For the most current information, please visit the church [website](#).



Key
BR Brick Room
FH Fellowship Hall
MR Music Room
P Parlor
PL Parking Lot
S Sanctuary
Z Zoom

thisweek

Sunday, March 29- Palm Sunday

10:00 am: Worship Service: OGHS Offering
11:00 am: Sunday Morning Together
4:00 pm: Youth Group Bowling

Monday, March 30

7:00 pm: Emmaus Chorale (FH)

Tuesday, March 31

9:30 am: Growing in Grace Academy (3)
3:00 pm: Sound Sprouts (2)

Wednesday, April 1

8:00 am: Rotary Foods Program
9:30 am: Women of Faith (BR)
9:30 am: Growing in Grace Academy (3)
5:30 pm: Faithful Ringers (MR)
7:00 pm: Faithful Harmonizers (S)

Thursday, April 2

9:30 am: Growing in Grace Academy (3)
10:30 am: Sound Sprouts (2)
7:00 pm: Maundy Thursday Service/Communion (FH)

Friday, April 3- Office Closed

7:00 pm: Good Friday Service @ The Barn

Saturday, April 4

Easter Breakfast Set-up

nextweek

Sunday, April 5 - Easter

8:00 am: Easter Breakfast
10:00 am: Worship Service: Communion

Monday, April 6 - Office Closed

7:00 pm: Emmaus Chorale (FH)
7:15 pm: Ministry to the Congregation (P)

Tuesday, April 7

3:00 pm: Sound Sprouts (2)
7:00 pm: Ministry of Support (BR)

Wednesday, April 8

8:00 am: Rotary Foods Program
9:30 am: Women of Faith (BR)
5:30 pm: Faithful Ringers (MR)
7:00 pm: Faithful Harmonizers (S)
7:00 pm: EPNHN (P)

Thursday, April 9

10:00 am: Conversations
10:30 am: Sound Sprouts (2)
7:00 pm: Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, April 10- Office Closed

Saturday, April 11

9:00 am: Zumba (FH)

**Daybreak—April 13
Flyer deadline—May 17
2026 Per Capita—\$50.00**



Are You Getting the Info You Need?

Faith Church has four email lists. Are you interested in being added to one or more of them? Please indicate your interest, add your email address, tear off this tab, and drop in the offering plate.

- Weekly Announcements Quarterly Newsletter
 Prayer Chain Emergency Alerts

Name & email: _____

- Apr. 12..... Bloom for Women Presentation
- Apr. 19..... Clean-Up Day
- May 4..... She Nailed It!
- May 17..... Youth Group End of Year Party
- May 24..... Pentecost
- May 25..... Summer Office Hours Begin
- May 30..... Yard Sale
- June 20-28..... Work Camp
- July 4..... Independence Day
- July 26..... Montreat Youth Conference
- July 27-30..... Vacation Bible School
- Sept. 14..... Regular Office Hours Resume
- Oct. 4..... World Communion Sunday
- Oct. 12..... Indigenous Peoples' Day (office closed)



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Your One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Does SO Much!!!

In 1949, in response to the ravages of war in Europe and Asia, a group of Protestant Church leaders met to organize an appeal for support from their respective denominations. This culminated in a radio broadcast on the evening of Saturday, March 26, 1949, called One Great Hour and featured an address by then President of the United States, Harry S. Truman, encouraging listeners to attend their respective houses of worship the next day and make a sacrificial contribution. It is estimated that more than 75,000 churches participated in this effort.

For you history buffs out there, a transcript of President Truman's address may be found at <https://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/node/230062>. Upon reading his message, I'm struck by how we find ourselves in a similar situation today. Truly, his message could have been written last week, as it's as appropriate today as it was in 1949.

In 1950, the offering was repeated and began using the name "One Great Hour of Sharing". OGHS has been going strong ever since as a wonderful ecumenical effort. While each denomination allocates it's gifts differently, all use their funds for ministries of Disaster Relief, Refugee Assistance, and Development Aid.

Today, OGHS, in our denomination, supports projects in more than 100 countries, including the US and Canada, such as:

- **Supporting 2,451 women in Sri Lanka** by reclaiming 254 acres of land for displaced families.
- **Partnering with Hope Restoration South Sudan** to give vegetable seed kits to vulnerable women who, due to war and natural disasters, were facing famine and the loss of their husbands. Many fled to local settlements and refugee camps. The seed kits gave these women hope and a way to feed and support their families on their own.
- **Partnering in Miami, FL, with SMASH** (Struggle for Miami's Affordable and Sustainable Housing) to help develop the first community land trust and affordable housing cooperative.
- **Funding more than 58 grants globally** serving 7,450 people in disadvantaged communities.
- **Helping Asheville, NC** rebound after the devastation left in the aftermath of Hurricane Helene.
- **Providing Disaster Assistance.** In one year, 1,858 people volunteered, giving 52,884 hours of labor for disaster recovery! The labor hours alone are the equivalent of \$1.7 million in financial terms.

Locally, 25% of your OGHS offering will support the Angel Networks of Jefferson & Lincoln Elementary Schools.

Your generous giving will help sustain the needs of these students and their families as they navigate tight budgets and increasing costs.

We give generously because we believe, as did the prophet Micah, that we are called to live out our faith and share our blessings in a way that reflects God's love for us and for all created in his image. As President Truman said in his address in 1949, "We know that we enjoy these great blessings not because of any special merit on our part, but because of the bounty of God. It is to His Providence that we owe the richness of our country and our heritage of freedom. Since these good things come to us from Him, we know that we must use them for the good of others in accordance with His will."

Today, as war, civil, and across borders, still rages, creating new refugees and natural disasters still disrupt, forcing people to flee to safety, we are thankful for your generosity in our support of our fellow sisters and brothers in Christ across the world and in our backyard.