

***Nineteen Sunday after Pentecost
Service of Word and Table
October 4, 2026 at 11:00am***

GATHERING IN PRAISE

The Chiming of the Worship Hour

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

“O Word of God Incarnate”

arr. Berry

The Introit

“I Love You, Lord”

Klein

The Opening Prayer

****The Hymn of Praise***

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

No. 400 (all verses)

The Confession and Pardon

No. 12

****The Peace***

The Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory

“Heaven’s Love Medley”

arr. Mauldin

****The Doxology***

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Children’s Moments

****The Prayer for Illumination***

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

****The Scripture Lesson***

1 Samuel: 7:3-17

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon

“Samuel: Here I Raise My Ebenezer”

RESPONDING IN FAITH

****The Hymn of Response***

“Lord, Speak to Me”

No. 463 (vv. 1, 4, 5)

The Invitation to Holy Communion

No. 12

The Great Thanksgiving

No. 13

The Lord’s Prayer

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;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Giving of the Bread and Cup

The Prayer after Communion

SENDING FORTH

****The Hymn of Invitation***

“I Am Thine, O Lord”

No. 419 (vv. 1, 2, 4)

****The Choral Benediction***

“Alleluia”

Sinclair

****The Postlude***

“Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”

arr. Berry

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Blessing of the Animals – Blessing of the Animals will be **TODAY, October 4th**, at the Harrell Chapel at 5:30pm. Bring your animals to be blessed by Brother Chad, and please have them on a leash or in a crate.

Outdoor Worship and Church Picnic - Our worship service and church picnic will be held Sunday, October 11, at 11:00 a.m. at Waverly Waters. There will be **NO** choir practice or Sunday School on this day. The church service will begin at 11:00 a.m., and lunch will follow the service. We will be having barbeque, and we need volunteers to sign up to provide other items. **Please see the sign-up sheet at the back of the sanctuary.**

Communion Offering – Today's Communion offering today will benefit the Palmer Home for Children. Palmer Home is a faith-based organization that provides a family and community to children in need.

United Women of Faith - The Central District of United Women in Faith will host the 2026 Mississippi Conference Annual Meeting of the United Women in Faith at West Point First United Methodist Church on October 9-10. Elizabeth Bailey, Central District President, asks for your prayers for this meeting.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Meetings will be held in the church library

October 8 at 10:00 a.m.	Congregational Care
October 12 at 10:00 a.m.	Worship Committee
October 19 at 4:30 p.m.	CDC Board
October 19 at 6:00 p.m.	Leadership Council
October 25 at 3:30 p.m.	Charge Conference
October 27 at 6:00 p.m.	Student Ministries

MID-WEEK ACTIVITIES

Tuesday

5:00pm Revive Study Group

Wednesday

11:00am Morning Bible Study

12:00pm Holy Communion (Sanctuary)

5:15pm Wednesday Night Meal – All Ages Welcome (FH)

6:00pm Small Groups

(Youth Fellowship, Lighthouse Kids, Adults)

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612 East Broad Street
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***Rev. Chad Bowen, Pastor
Rev. Dr. Ken Pickens, Pastor to Youth
Rachel Wood, Minister of Music
Stacy Hays, Director of Family Ministries
Seth Matlock, Pianist***