WELCOME!

Please check-in for worship using the Church Center phone app or at the kiosks in Crossroads and Christian Life Center (CLC). If you are a first-time guest, scan QR code for our **I'm New Card**.

ABOUT APEX UMC

VISION: With God's help we are becoming a diverse, multi-generational community so unified by our love for God and one another that others are drawn to become Christ followers. We are centered in Scripture and empowered by the Holy Spirit. We invite all to join us in our passionate desire to follow Christ so that together we are transformed and prepared to serve as God calls us.

MISSION: Inviting & equipping all to follow Jesus in transforming the world.

Find out more about Apex UMC at: apexumc.org/about-us/

WORSHIP

We have traditional worship services on Sunday at 8:15 & 11:00 a.m.* in the Sanctuary and a contemporary worship service on Sunday at 9:35 a.m.* in the Christian Life Center (CLC).
**Our 9:35 & 11 a.m. services are livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook.*

Sunday School: 9:35 a.m. for Children, Youth & Adults! (Discipleship Center)
Children - ages 3 (by Aug 31) through 5th grade
Youth - students from 6th-8th grade

Nursery: Stepping Stones for birth-3 years, available at 9:35 & 11 a.m. worship.

Children's Church: 3 years - 1st grade during 11 a.m. service. (Print name badge in Crossroads).

Youth Ministry: Sunday evenings, 6 – 8 p.m., students from 6th-12th grade

Confidential prayer requests can be made online at apexumc.org/prayer

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Ron & Patty Brown, in honor of Barbara Weaver, in recognition of her thoughtfulness and dedication as Chancel Choir librarian.



Sermon Series - Earn. Save. Give.
In this three-week sermon series, we will explore John Wesley's timeless wisdom on money. According to Wesley, money is not a burden, but a spiritual practice. Together, we will reflect on how earning, saving, and giving can become faithful acts of discipleship that shape our lives, deepen our trust, and bless our church and the world around us.

Scripture Card: November 8 - 14
S: Matthew 5:1-12
M: 1 Thessalonians 2:13
T: Joshua 6:1-16, 20
W: Matthew 15:1-9
Th: Revelation 8:6-9:12
F: Revelation 9:13-21
S: Matthew 24:1-14

APEX UMC
Welcome All.
Love All.
Serve All.

Please Recycle After Worship.

TRADITIONAL ORDER OF WORSHIP

24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
8:15 & 11 a.m., Sanctuary
November 8, 2026

** Please stand as you are able.*

ENTRANCE AND PRAISE

WELCOME & CELEBRATION

PRELUDE *Deck Yourself with Gladness* Krapf

*** PASSING THE PEACE**

*** GREETING** Psalm 90:1-2
Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.
Before the mountains were brought forth,
Or ever you had formed the earth and the world,
From everlasting to everlasting you are God.

*** HYMN OF PRAISE** *For the Beauty of the Earth* UMH 92
Stanzas 1, 2, 3, & 6

*** OPENING PRAYER**
Eternal God, you are our hope and our salvation, for in Jesus Christ you have conquered death. Baptized in him, we are raised to new life. Increase our faith and keep us watchful, that we may welcome Christ with joy when he comes to set the whole world free. Amen.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as Your scriptures are read and Your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what You say to us today. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON Joshua 24:14-18
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

GENEROSITY VIDEO

THE SECOND LESSON Luke 16:1-9
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE Pastor Laura Katherine Stern

RESPONSES AND OFFERINGS

*** HYMN OF RESPONSE** *O Come and Dwell in Me* UMH 388

*** THE APOSTLES' CREED** UMH 881
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*** GLORIA PATRI**
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

COMMUNITY LIFE

GENEROSITY MOMENT

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *I Come with Joy (8:15)* Martin
Sizohamba Naye (11:00) Taylor

*** OFFERTORY RESPONSE** UMH 95
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*** OFFERTORY PRAYER**

BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

*** HYMN OF SENDING** *Whom Shall I Send?* UMH 582

*** BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH**

POSTLUDE *Built On A Rock* Martin

Liturgist: Daeho Kang
Traditional Worship Arts Director: Todd Arant; Organist: Joette Winberry
Lay Readers: Cathy Moore (8:15), Norma Keyes (11:00)
Service Musicians: Chancel Choir, 2nd-5th Grade Children's Choir (11:00)

CONTEMPORARY ORDER OF WORSHIP
24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
9:35 a.m., Christian Life Center
November 8, 2026

** Please stand as you are able.*

*** SONG**
THE JOY

WELCOME & CELEBRATION

*** SONGS**
ALL THE PEOPLE SAID AMEN
CHRIST BE MAGNIFIED

PRAYER

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GOODNESS OF GOD

GENEROSITY VIDEO

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MESSAGE
PASTOR LAURA KATHERINE STERN

*** SONG**
ABUNDANTLY MORE

*** SENDING FORTH**

Pastors: Laura Katherine Stern, Daeho Kang
Contemporary Worship Arts Director: Patrick Rose
Service Musicians: Praise Band

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UPCOMING

Please pick up a copy of our ***November Apex UMC Announcements*** monthly handout from an usher or at the Welcome Desk!

- Gather, Gobble & Groove!, 11/18
- Christmas Store, Gifts Due, 12/6

GIVE

Our offerings help AUMC offer spaces that welcome, ways to love, and people that serve. Our collective offerings allow us to live out AUMC's mission to *Welcome All. Love All. Serve All*. You can set up recurring giving online, give in offering plates, send check by mail or text to give. Thank you for your generosity!

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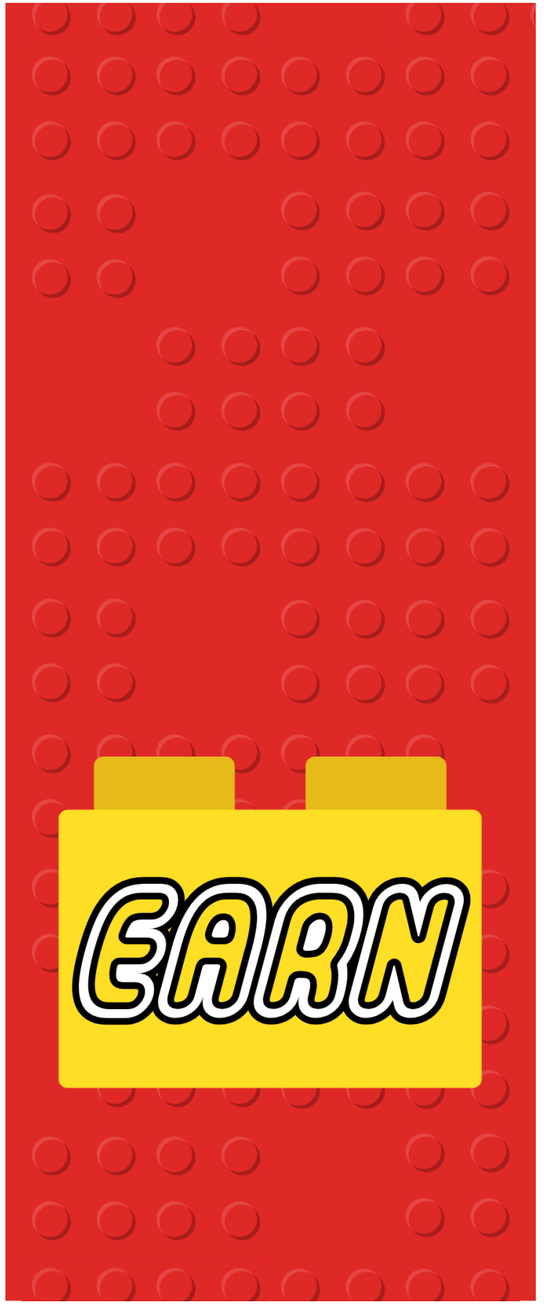
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