

ST. DAVID & ST. MARTIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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4 OCTOBER 2026
11:30 AM EDT
6:30 PM EAT

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Leading Worship: Esther Ekong

Music: Jennifer Channen

ENTRY OF THE BIBLE

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: The love of God reaches to the heavens, God's faithfulness to the skies. The unfailing love of God is priceless! We feast on the abundance of God's gifts.

People: In God we find life, grace, and every good gift.

Leader: Come, let us give thanks to the One who has prepared us and called us together.

People: We come with grateful hearts, ready to worship and to listen.

Leader: Let us seek the presence of God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding and whose mercy is without end.

People: May our hearts be open, our minds attentive, and our lives responsive to God's word.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord.

All: Let us worship God with joy and thanksgiving.

HYMN: *"Will you come and follow Me"*

#634 v.1,2,4,5

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: (UNISON)

Our purpose is: to seek to know God; to nurture spiritual growth; to love and worship God and to do God's work.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS *(See slides at the end.)*

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

LESSONS FOR THE YOUNG

PRAISE IN THE AFRICAN WAY

INDIRA - Merci feat Guy Michel & Min Etta from Cameroon

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9S9KnEQ7b_s

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM 139:1-6;13-18

Leader: One: O LORD, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

People: You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.

Leader: You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

People: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

Leader: For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

People: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed.

Leader: How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

People: I try to count them – they are more than the sand; I come to the end – I am still with you.

EXODUS 31:1-6

Then the Lord said to Moses, “See, I have chosen Bezalel son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, and I have filled him with the Spirit of God, with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge and with all kinds of skills— to make artistic designs for work in gold, silver and bronze, to cut and set stones, to work in wood, and to engage in all kinds of crafts. Moreover, I have appointed Oholiab son of Ahisamak, of the tribe of Dan, to help him. Also I have given ability to all the skilled workers to make everything I have commanded you:

EXODE 31:1-6

L'Eternel dit à Moïse: «Sache que j'ai choisi Betsaleel, fils d'Uri et petit-fils de Hur, de la tribu de Juda. Je l'ai rempli de l'Esprit de Dieu, d'habileté, d'intelligence et de savoir-faire pour toutes sortes de travaux. Je l'ai rendu capable de faire des inventions, de travailler l'or, l'argent et le bronze, de graver les pierres à enchâsser, de travailler le bois et de réaliser toutes sortes de travaux. Je lui ai moi-même donné pour aide Oholiab, fils d'Ahisamac, de la tribu de Dan. J'ai mis de l'habileté dans l'esprit de tous les artisans pour qu'ils fassent tout ce que je t'ai ordonné:

MATTHEW 25:14–30

“Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money.

“After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.’

“His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!’

“The man with two bags of gold also came. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more.’

“His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!’

“Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.’

“His master replied, ‘You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest.

““So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

SERMON: *The Hidden Talent*

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OUR OFFERING

DOXOLOGY: ***“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”***

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PRAYER OVER THE OFFERING

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

LORD’S PRAYER (Unison)

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory. Forever. AMEN

HYMN: **"Rejoice, the Lord is King"**

#267 v.1,2,4,5

COMMISSIONING : *“Go Now In Peace”* (Sung)

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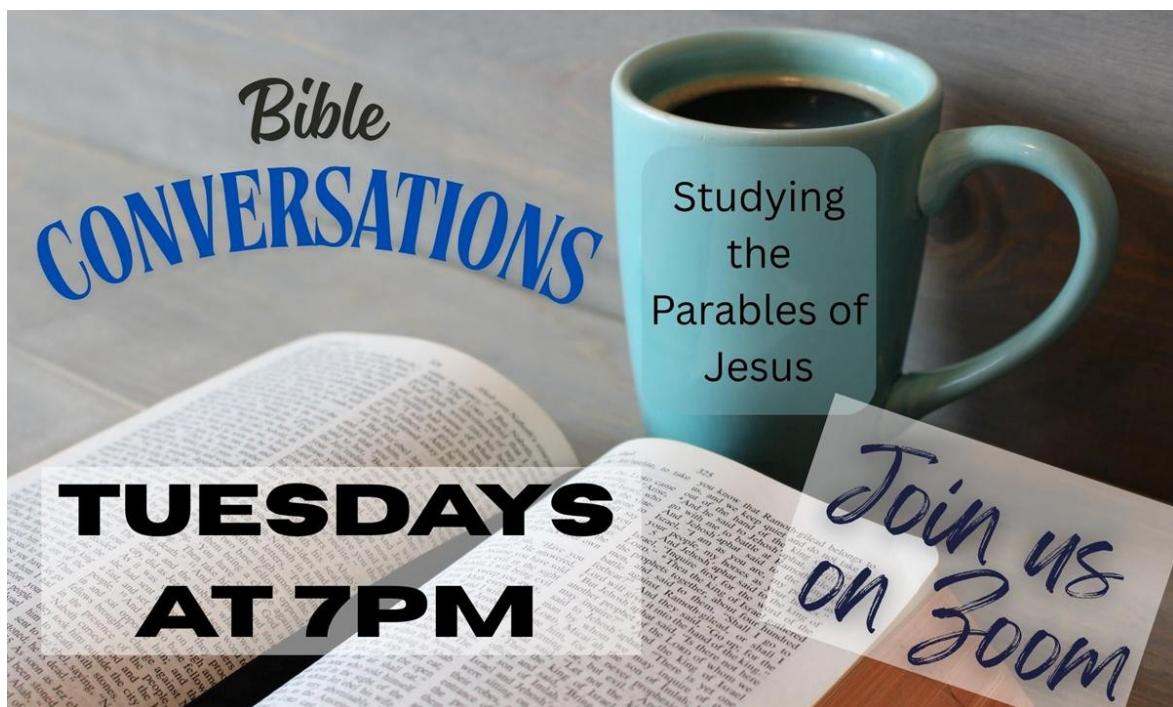
THREE-FOLD AMEN (Sung)

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Join us on Fridays from
1pm to 2:30pm as we study
the Book of Acts!





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Led by Principal Roland De Vries

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