Willow Springs Worship

Nurturing Faith Together

November 15, 2026 9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Call to Worship – Ellen
VT 884

Songs – Phil K.

Children's time – Andy

Scripture – Romans 8:26-28 NRSV

Sermon – Phil Waite
Sighs Too Deep for Words

Song – VT 681 Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Sharing and prayer – Pam

Song

Announcements

Sunday School ends at:

Sending Blessing – VT 985H

Sending Song

Calendar

Nov. 22	Ron Guengerich preaching
Nov. 23	Our Table: Willow Springs people providing meal, serving, and clean up
Nov. 29	Phil Waite preaching, First Sunday of Advent
Dec. 6	Phil Waite preaching

Tuesdays at 10:00 am: Praise, Prayer and Pacing: If you would like company getting in your daily walk join the group at the church.

Please remember to place your gifts in the basket towards the back of the sanctuary.

11/15 Pastoral Search Update: We have had an initial interview with one potential pastoral candidate. Please continue to pray for wisdom for both the Search Committee and a pastor who will answer the call to serve at Willow Springs. – Ellen Davis-Zehr, Megan Krabill, Phil Kaufmann, Tarik Kheshgi, and Anna Zehr.

Between now and the first Sunday of Advent (November 29) our worship series will focus on practice of prayer. Prayer undergirds the life of the church and the individual Christian. It is at the center of nurturing faith. Scripture models prayer for us. The prayer that Jesus taught us gave shape to the prayer life of the early church. Speech about God, to God, and from God to us, fills the Bible. In a world where most speech means talking to each other about ourselves, prayer goes missing. Scripture models many ways to pray. Christians pray in many ways. This fall we will nurture our faith together by exploring prayer!

When pastoral care is needed, please contact Phil Waite or an Elder: Dale Bachman, Ellen Davis-Zehr, Pam Kaufmann, or Elvin Krabill.

Romans 8:26-28 (NRSV)

26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes[a] with groanings too deep for words. **27** And God,[b] who searches hearts, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit[c] intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

28 We know that all things work together[d] for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.