

November 2, 2025
21th Sunday After Pentecost



**Mission Statement: To Bring People to Christ
And Nurture Them in the Faith**



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Maxwell Methodist Church
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Pianist: Deb Mitchell

*Please stand if able

Prelude Deb Mitchell

Welcome/Announcements

We Worship as We Rejoice

Praise Team

We Worship as We Gather

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom;
People: You are exalted as head over all.
Leader: Wealth and honor come from You;
People: You are the ruler of all things.
Leader: In Your hands are strength and power.
**People: Our God, we give you thanks, and
Praise your glorious name.**

We Worship in Song

Hymn. “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty” Hymnal #23

We Worship Together in Belief

***The Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day, He rose again,
He ascended into heaven,
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living 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.

We Worship by Hearing the Word

Scriptures (NIV) Psalm 19:1-6, Isaiah 40:26, Romans 1:18-20, John 3:36

Old Testament: Psalm 19:1-6 & Isaiah 40:26

For the director of music. A psalm of David: Psalm 19:1-6

- ¹The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
²Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they reveal knowledge.
³They have no speech, they use no words;
no sound is heard from them.
⁴Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,
their words to the ends of the world.
In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun.
⁵It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber,
like a champion rejoicing to run his course.
⁶It rises at one end of the heavens
and makes its circuit to the other;
nothing is deprived of its warmth.

Isaiah 40:26

- ²⁶Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens:
Who created all these?
He who brings out the starry host one by one
and calls forth each of them by name.
Because of his great power and mighty strength,
not one of them is missing.

New Testament: Romans 1:18-20

God's Wrath Against Sinful Humanity

- ¹⁸ The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness,
¹⁹ since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. ²⁰ For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.

***The Gospel: John 3:36** (Please stand)

- ³⁶Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on them.

***Gloria Patri Hymnal #33**

We Worship in Prayer

Praises and Requests

Prayer Chorus "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" Hymnal #670

Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

We Worship With Our Gifts

Offering plates are at both doors as you enter or leave and will not be passed.

***Doxology**

***Offertory Prayer**

We Worship in Learning the Word

Sermon. “What? That’s no Excuse” Rev. Rob Bacon
Romans 1:18:20

We Prepare Our Hearts for Holy Communion

Hymn. “Come, Holy Spirit” Hymnal #307 (Vs. 3)

We Worship in Remembrance

Holy Communion

We Worship in Song

***Hymn.** “Redeemed” Hymnal #530

***Benediction**

Postlude. Deb Mitchell

Announcements

- **Pastor’s Office Hours** : By appointment. Rob’s number 515-460-8885; Carol’s number 515-460-8969
- **Bulletin Announcements**: Please forward bulletin announcements to office@maxwellmc.org by Wednesday. The bulletin is posted on the church’s website <https://www.maxwellmc.org> under the bulletins tab.
- **Fellowship Sign-up**: Please sign up to bring refreshments for fellowship time.
- **November 2 Today @ 3:30 pm**: Charge Conference with Rev. Jeff Kodis
- **November 2**: Daylight Savings Time ended today.
- **November 9 @ 5:15 – 7:00 pm**: Youth Group meet at the church.
- **November 17 @ 9 a.m.**: Volunteer Sewing Group
- **November 30**: Advent Season begins. Meet after worship to decorate for Advent.
- **December 14**: SSNOW Christmas Program during morning worship.
- **December 14**: Fix shut-in plates. Everyone is encouraged to bring a plate of goodies (cookies or candy) to share for fellowship and for shut-In plates.
- **December 24**: Christmas Eve Service. Time to be announced.