

Please pray for these members and friends: --

- We pray for **Rita Webster**, who had a successful right knee surgery Monday, October 20.
- We give thanks that **Roger Pelkey** had a successful total right hip replacement, and is recovering.
- We pray for **Amanda Janitzky's** mother, **Varina**, who is struggling with multiple issues, and has been placed in hospice.
- We pray for **Candy Pelky's** brother, **John Hall**, who has been diagnosed with ALS.
- We pray for **Brent Schultz** and his wife **Liz**. **Brent** has been suffering from complications of his Parkinson's disease and cardiac issues.
- We pray for **Terry White's** brother, **Ron**, who is being treated for cancer.
- We pray for **Virginia Casteel** who continues to experience COPD complications. **Virginia** is the sister of **Pastor David**,
- We pray for **Todd Ellison** who continues cancer treatment. **Todd** is the brother-in-law of **Pastor David and Leslie**.



No Anniversaries
Birthdays: Alexx Lopez-10/28
Alexander Wyant – 10/31

Attendance
10/5-36
10/12-33
10/19-43

Pastor David's Office Hours -- Wednesdays 8 A.M.- 4 P.M.
or call the office for an appointment.
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Church Office hours
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 10 A.M. to 2 P.M.
815-877-2576



Spring Creek United Church of Christ

20th Sunday after Pentecost, October 26, 2025

We are an Open and Affirming, God-is still-speaking Congregation. We embrace our diversity to make a divine difference together. Wherever you are on life's, journey, there is a place of welcome for you here

(Please stand as you are comfortable, at the places marked *)

Meditation: <i>Be Thou My Vision</i> , traditional Irish	Musician
Welcome	Pastor David
Pass the Peace	Congregation

*Hymn: NCH 12, *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*, verses 1, 2, and 3.

Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 84:1-7) **Worship Leader/People**

Come, let us acknowledge how lovely
Is the dwelling place of our Lord.
Our souls faint and long for the courts of the Lord
And our hearts and flesh sing for joy to our living God.
For even a sparrow finds a home and the swallow a nest
To lay its young at the altar of our God.
Happy are those who live in God's house,
Where they find strength and reason to sing God's praises.

Prelude: *For All the Saints*, by Ralph Vaughan Williams, Bell Choir
arranged by Andrew Birling

***Gathering Prayer** **Congregation**
O God, may our time together in worship
Warm our hearts, comfort our souls, strengthen our faith, and
Inspire us to greater love. Amen.

*Confession O God, we confess Our efforts to be righteous Sometimes seduce us with pride, Making judgments against others. Forgive us, O God. Help us to embrace our calling To walk humbly with you. May humility open our hearts to your grace. Amen.	Congregation	other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other, for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.” Sermon: “A Constitutional Walk”Pastor David Moment of Silent Reflection- *Hymn: NCH 23, <i>There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy, 1 and 2</i>
Prayers of the People 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen	Pastor David *Congregation	<i>Neighbors In Need special offering</i> Offering: Today’s loose offering is for Pay It 4Ward. Offertory <i>Chanson Triste</i>, P. TschiakovskyIsabelle Olson, cello
*Hymn: NCH 292, <i>Breathe on Me, Breath of God</i>, all verses. Readings: Micah 6:8; Luke 18:9-14Worship Leader He has told you, O mortal, what is good, and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?		Offertory Response -- (tune of Old Hundredth)Congregation To God, all glorious heavenly Light, To Christ revealed in earthly night, To God the Spirit now we raise Our joyful songs of thankful praise. Prayer of DedicationPastor David AnnouncementsWorship Leader
The Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector ⁹He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like		November 2 we celebrate All Saints Day. We remember all the saints who have died during the past year, and we celebrate their lives and all that they have given to us, the community, and the world. If you have a loved one you would like remembered, please provide their name and date of death by Thursday morning, October 30. Just call the office with names, drop in, or send an email. If you have a photo or memento, you may bring it November 2 before the service.

Lighting Candles for Peace and Justice	Pastor David
Benediction	Pastor David
Postlude : Lord, I Lift Your Name on High, by Founds/Keveren	Musician

Pastor: David Sheridan
Worship Leader: Liz Schultz
Guest Musicians: Anne Marie Olson, & Isabelle Olson, cello
Hymn Leader: Jim Crone

Production: Bob Tissot & Josh Hill
Greeters: Pam Douglas & Lynn Stadtmueller
Ushers: Pam Douglas & Lynn Stadtmueller