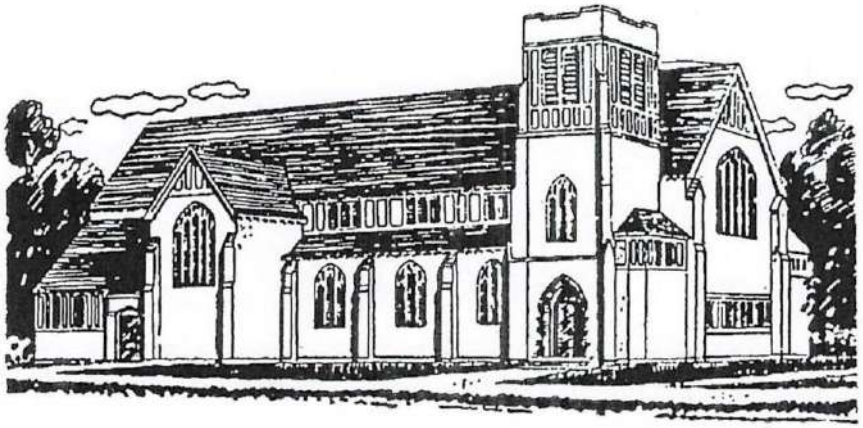
November 15, 2026

25th Sunday after Pentecost



KNOX UNITED CHURCH

25th Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Order, 10:00 AM

（圣灵降临后第二十五主日）2026 年 11 月 15 日

♫↑ Rise to sing, as you are able ♫+ Remain seated to sing

Prelude: "Give Me Jesus" Mark Hayes
前奏曲：“给我耶稣” based on the traditional spiritual

Welcoming 欢迎

Candle Lighting 点燃蜡烛

As we light this candle, we remember that Christ is the Light who has come, and the Light who will come again.
May this flame remind us that what God has given us is not meant to be hidden, but to shine.

♫+ **Introit:** "Open Our Hearts" MV 21
引子：“敞开我们的心”

Call to Worship 敬拜呼召

The master has gone on a journey,
and has placed his treasure in our hands.
Not a little, but a great deal ---
more than we could earn, more than we deserve.
As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,
so our eyes look to the Lord our God. (Psalm 123:2)
Let us worship God, who trusts us with so much.
We come with open hands and grateful hearts.

♫↑ **Hymn:** "We Praise You, O God" VU 218
赞美诗：“上帝啊，我们赞美你”

Opening Prayer *(said together)* 开场祷告 *（齐声诵读）*

Generous God, you have given us more than we know --- life and breath, gifts and time, people to love and work to do. And yet, we

confess, we are often afraid. We hold tightly what you meant us to share. We bury what you meant us to plant. Forgive our fear. Show us your face again --- not a hard master, but a generous one --- and set us free to live boldly while we wait for your coming. Through Jesus Christ, who gave everything for us. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Matthew 25:14-30 NRSV 807
经文阅读：马太福音 25:14-30

Hymn: "Take My Life and Let It Be" VU 506
圣诗：《献上我生命》

Sermon: A Love Song for Those Who Wait?
讲道：一首献给等待者的情歌

Anthem: "Give Me a Song" Pepper Choplin
赞美诗："给我一首歌" Hymn Tune: GERMANY

Offering Hymn: "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" VU 575
Verses 1, 2 and 4
奉献赞美诗："我要这样生活，好让上帝能使用我"（第 1、2、4 节）

Dedication of Offering *(said together)* 奉献词 *(齐声诵读)*

God of every good gift, nothing we bring is truly ours. It was yours before it was ours, and it will be yours when we are gone. We return a portion of what you have entrusted to us. Do not let it sit buried. Multiply it in your hands --- into bread for the hungry, comfort for the lonely, and hope for all who wait. Amen.

Prayers of the People 信众祷告

One: Faithful God,
All: hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer: "Our Father in heaven" TLUS 70
主祷文："我们在天上的父"

Hymn: "Go, Make a Diff'rence" MV 209
圣诗："去吧，创造改变"

Commissioning 调试

God has placed treasure in our hands ---
more than we could earn, more than we deserve.
Will you bury it in fear?
No. We will put it to work in faith and love.
Then go --- spend it, share it, risk it for love.
We will not hide what God has given.
The days of waiting may be long.
We will live fully while we wait.
And the One who is coming is not a hard master,
but the One who says, "Well done. Enter into my joy."

Benediction 祝福

May God, who has given you every good gift, make you generous. **Amen.**
May Christ, who is coming again, find you faithful. **Amen.**
May the Holy Spirit give you courage to live fully, love boldly, and hope always. **Amen.**
Go in peace.
Thanks be to God.

Benediction Response: "Amen! Amen! Hallelujah, amen!" VU 974
祝福回应："阿们！阿们！哈利路亚，阿们！"

Postlude: "Echoes of Praise" Gerald Peterson
后奏曲："赞美的回响"

This bilingual worship order reflects our welcome toward Chinese members of the community, as part of our commitment to being a welcoming and inclusive church.

本双语礼拜程序体现了我们对社区华人朋友的欢迎，也是我们致力于成为一个欢迎并包容的教会的一部分。

Worship Leaders:

Presider: Ben Bouguerra
Guest Preacher: LinYing Hu
Music Director: Colleen Coulter
Head Usher: Dave Cass
Live-Streaming: Kevin Wong

Scripture Reader: Sharon Kim

Ministry of Music: Knox Choir
Greeter: Catherine Shen
Webminder: Alex Danny

November 15, 2026 *Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost*

2026 年 11 月 15 日 *圣灵降临后第二十五主日*

Text: Matthew 25:14-30

文本：马太福音 25:14-30

Title: How Shall We Live While We Wait?

讲道：在等待期间，我们该如何生活？

Synopsis: This sermon will reflect on the eschatological narrative of Christ's return and our own life while waiting, asking how we might faithfully continue the work Jesus has entrusted to us through long days in waiting. The parable presents how we imagine God shapes how we live: burying what we have received in fear, or putting it to work in faith and love, sharing God's grace and bearing fruit in community.

概要：本篇讲道将探讨关于基督再临的末世叙事，以及我们在等待期间的生活；并思考在漫长的等待岁月中，我们该如何忠心地继续从事耶稣所托付给我们的工作。这则比喻向我们揭示：我们对上帝的想象，决定了我们的生活方式—是出于恐惧而将所领受的恩赐埋藏起来，还是出于信心与爱心去善用这些恩赐，从而分享上帝的恩典，并在群体中结出果实。

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Mission: "We exist to love God and love our neighbours" (Matthew 22: 36-40)

Vision: "We aspire to engage our neighbours through the arts, building a community without loneliness.

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