

# NOTES:

*We light candles here at First Church in remembrance, love, joy and more - we invite you to light your own at any point during today's service as part of your worship.*

# FirstCHURCH

First United Methodist Church of Boulder

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## MUSIC INTO LIFE

### "Set Me As a Seal" by Clausen

Set me as a seal upon your heart,  
as a seal upon your arm  
for love is strong as death.

Set me as a seal upon you heart,  
as a seal upon your arm,  
for love is strong as death.

Many waters cannot quench love,  
neither can the floods drown it.

Set me as a seal upon your heart,  
as a seal upon your arm  
for love is strong as death.

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10:30 AM  
**NOVEMBER 23, 2025**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## MUSIC BEFORE WORSHIP

III. Crucifixion from *Symphonie-Passion* by Marcel Dupré

## WELCOME

Rev. Mike Mather & Lynnette Li

## MUSIC FOR ENTERING

"Ubi Caritas" by Maurice Duruflé

## THE CALL

Rev. Mike Mather & Chris Groom

## HYMN

#159 "Lift High the Cross"

## SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 23:33-43 Liza Purvis

## SPECIAL MUSIC

"The Road Home" by Stephen Paulus

## SERMON

What a Way to Go!  
Rev. Mike Mather

## HYMN

#2197 "Lord of All Hopefulness"

## BENEDICTION & PRESCRIPTION

Rev. Mike Mather

## MUSIC INTO LIFE

"Set Me As a Seal" by René Clausen  
*lyrics on back of pew paper*

*Thank you to our musicians this morning:*

*The Chancel Choir*

*Annabella Cox, soprano soloist*

*Zerek Dodson, organ & piano*

*Charlotte Warren Sass, Director of Worship Arts*

## MUSIC FOR ENTERING

### "Ubi Caritas" by Duruflé

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.*

*Congregavit nos in unum Christi  
amor.*

*Exultemus, et in ipso iucundemur.*

*Timeamus, et amemus Deum  
vivum.*

*Et ex corde diligamus nos  
sincero. Amen.*

Where charity and love are, God  
is there.

Christ's love has gathered us into  
one.

Let us rejoice and be pleased in  
him.

Let us revere, and let us love the  
living God.

And may we love each other  
with a sincere heart. Amen.

## SPECIAL MUSIC

### "The Road Home" by Paulus

Tell me, where is the road

I can call my own

That I left, that I lost

So long ago?

All these years I have wandered

Oh, when will I know,

There's a way, there's a road

That will lead me home.

After wind, after rain

When the dark is done,

As I wake from a dream

In the gold of day,

Through the air there's a calling

From far away.

There's a voice I can hear

That will lead me home.

Rise up, follow me

Come away, is the call.

With the love in your heart

As the only song.

There is no such beauty

As where you belong.

Rise up, follow me

I will lead you home.