Shenendehowa United Methodist Church
Connecting neighbors to Christ and community

Shenendehowa United Methodist Church
Traditional Worship Service
October 18, 2026
9:00 am

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS — Brian Mitchell

ORGAN PRELUDE — Brad Gregg

***CALL TO WORSHIP** — Becky Nold

***PASSING THE PEACE**

***HYMN #545** — **"The Church's One Foundation"**

RESPONSIVE PSALTER: UMH 815 — Psalm 96

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER — Deaconess Denise Walling

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE — Becky Nold

OFFERTORY — "Let Your Light Shine" — Besig/Price
Chancel Choir
Brad Gregg, piano

***DOXOLOGY #95**

HYMN #393 — "Spirit of the Living God"

SCRIPTURE — 1 Thes 1:1-10 — Becky Nold

MESSAGE — "A Community Rooted in God" — Dr. Brian Mitchell

God forms the church, empowers us through the Holy Spirit, and roots us in the good news of Jesus Christ. A faithful church bears visible fruit through faith, love, hope, and witness.

I. Introduction
II. Paul plants a church in Thessalonica amid opposition
III. Paul's prayer of thanksgiving for:
    a. A community rooted in God
    b. Evidence of fruitfulness:
        i. A community characterized by faith, love, and hope
        ii. A community bearing witness to the gospel
        iii. A community differentiated from other religions
IV. What about us? Are we rooted in God and bearing fruit?
V. Conclusion: Yes, but not yet fully

***CLOSING HYMN #368** — **"My Hope is Built"**

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** — ***"A Closing Prayer" — Besig

Please join us in Fellowship Hall after service for coffee hour sponsored by our church family and friends!

***Please stand in body and/or in spirit.**

Welcome to Shenendehowa United Methodist Church

Everyone is always invited & welcome at Shen UMC!

CORDLESS HEARING ASSISTS AND LARGE PRINT BIBLES

Professional infant & toddler care is provided during the 9 am service at no charge. An usher can direct you to the childcare rooms if you would like to take advantage of this service.

ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE USHERS.

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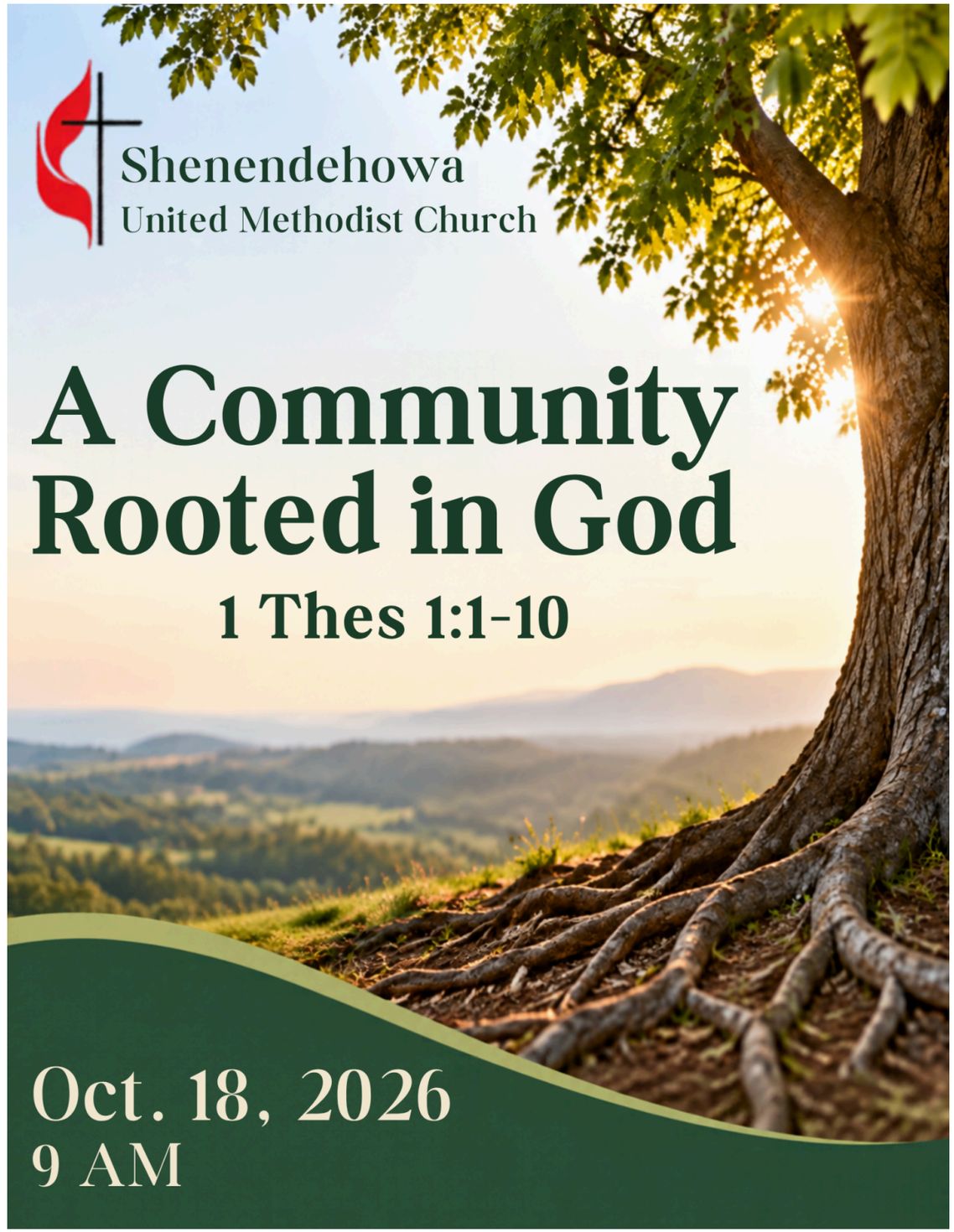
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