



The Community Gathers

PRELUDE AND BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nancy Wentz

PASSING THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens #150

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

PEOPLE: We gather in one of the places we connect with God; we distinguish this place as a gate to heaven.

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PEOPLE: We enter God's gates with thanksgiving and praise! We give thanks to God and bless God's name.

SONG OF PRAISE Lord, Be Glorified #2150

OPENING PRAYER

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

JOYS, CONCERNS AND GOD SIGHTINGS

PRAYER FOR OUR COMMUNITY

PRAYER SONG Take My Life and Let It Be #399

Thanksgiving

SCRIPTURE SENTENCE

"I can do all things through him who strengthens me." ~ **Philippians 4:13**



TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #94

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Lord of peace and serenity, receive the gifts we bring this day as we present them in thankfulness and joy. We bring ourselves as our offering, that in living lives of truth, justice, honor, and excellence, we might please you and be worthy of your never-failing love and presence with us. Grateful that Christ and the Holy Spirit might dwell in us, we pray in Jesus' holy name. Amen.

Hearing and Responding to the Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON Philippians 4:4-13 Nevaeh Valcoure

HYMN Seek Ye First #405

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Pastor Mark Crist

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 25:14-30

AFFIRMATION
The word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Not as it Appears Pastor Mark Crist

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Going into the World to Serve

SENDING SONG A Charge to Keep I Have #413

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE God Be with You #672 (First stanza only)

POSTLUDE AND TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

Events this Week:
Sunday, November 19, 2023
9:30am Crusaders
9:30am Searchers
10:30am Worship
5:30pm Yoga

Monday, November 20, 2023
5:30pm M&M's Meeting

Wednesday, November 22, 2023
No Wednesday Activities

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Thanksgiving Day!
Office Closed

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Cookie Day 9:00am



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AMANDA WATERMAN
LAURA CHRISTENSEN
TRISH & DAN WATERMAN
HARLEY & DARLA ADAMS
BETH WHISLER
SHEILA FLESHER

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

19~Wyatt Townsdin
20~Ritchie Farrell
23~Russell Dethloff
23~Brenton Edwards



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9:00AM
UNTIL COOKIES ARE GONE!

CALLING ALL FUMC BAKERS:
HOMEMADE CHRISTMAS COOKIES
DELIVERED TO THE CHURCH BY 5:00PM
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 30.



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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2023
BROWN GRAND THEATRE
6:00PM



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9:00-4:00pm
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**Do No Harm ~ Do Good ~ Stay in Love With God.
John Wesley**

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(Nevaeh has offered to read scripture this week.)

⁴ Be glad in the Lord always! Again I say, be glad! ⁵ Let your gentleness show in your treatment of all people. The Lord is near. ⁶ Don't be anxious about anything; rather, bring up all of your requests to God in your prayers and petitions, along with giving thanks. ⁷ Then the peace of God that exceeds all understanding will keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus.

⁸ From now on, brothers and sisters, if anything is excellent and if anything is admirable, focus your thoughts on these things: all that is true, all that is holy, all that is just, all that is pure, all that is lovely, and all that is worthy of praise. ⁹ Practice these things: whatever you learned, received, heard, or saw in us. The God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰ I was very glad in the Lord because now at last you have shown concern for me again. (Of course you were always concerned but had no way to show it.) ¹¹ I'm not saying this because I need anything, for I have learned how to be content in any circumstance. ¹² I know the experience of being in need and of having more than enough; I have learned the secret to being content in any and every circumstance, whether full or hungry or whether having plenty or being poor. ¹³ I can endure all these things through the power of the one who gives me strength. ¹⁴ Still, you have done well to share my distress

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