



# Welcome to Worship

Sunday, November 12, 2023

9:00 & 11:10 a.m.

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

### PRELUDE

"Sleepers Awake, a Voice Is Calling"

J.S. Bach

*As the prelude begins, you are invited to begin your personal preparation for worship.*

### SILENT MEDITATION

"We cannot pray in love and live in hate and still think we are worshipping God."

A.W. Tozer

### CALL TO WORSHIP (9:00)

—based on Exodus 20:1-2

When Moses gathered the people of Israel, God said,

**"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery."**

As we gather here today, let us worship the Lord,

**who continues to be our God and who still brings us out of the places of our bondage.**

### CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP (11:10)

"With a Voice of Singing"

Kenneth Jennings

## PRAISE AND ADORATION

### \*OPENING HYMN #362

Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers

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(\*Please stand, if you are able.)

### CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, your way for us is clear: We are to live so that the manner of our lives speaks of your goodness, your generosity, your infinite mercy. Too often, though, we forget the purposes for which you made us. Too often, when we might meet inhumanity with the reflection of your goodness, we turn aside. We return unkindness for unkindness. We cling to what might be shared. We avoid those who are not like us. We fail to give grace in the measure we have received it. Forgive us, we pray. Remind us that your goodness is enduring, and your mercy is everlasting, for we pray all these things in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ...

### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### KYRIE ELEISON (#551)

"Lord, Have Mercy"

LAND OF REST

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

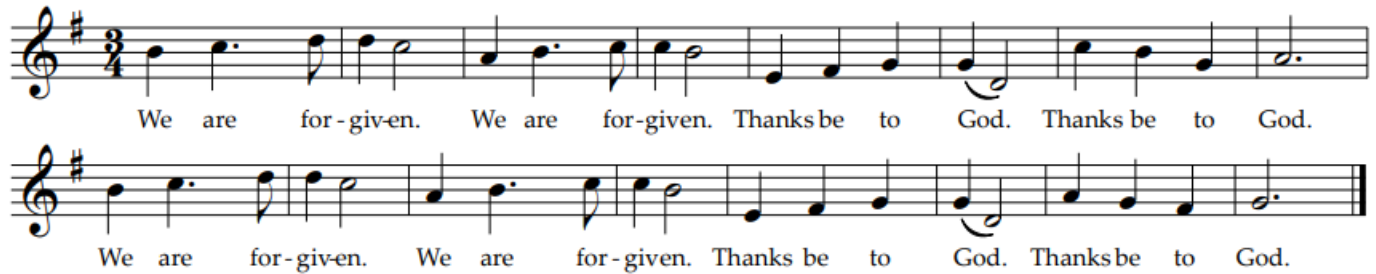
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### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI (#447)

"We Are Forgiven"

WE ARE FORGIVEN



The image shows two staves of musical notation for the hymn "We Are Forgiven". The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is written on a treble clef. The lyrics are: "We are for-giv-en. We are for-giv-en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God." The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff continues the melody and lyrics.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Joshua 3: 1-3a, 14-15

page 187 of the pew Bible

*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!*

## FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

### JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### The 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.

ANTHEM

"Give Me Jesus" (9:00)

arr. Moses Hogan

"Exsultate Justi" (11:10)

Ludovico Grossi Da Viadana

*Sing, Ye Righteous, Unto the Lord*

## PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 25: 1-13

page 806 of the pew Bible

*This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!*

SERMON

"Still Burning Bright?"

Dr. Zieman

PRAYER

## RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Christ, Mighty Savior"

Anne Krentz Organ

# THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*The elders will serve you in the pews. All baptized Christians are invited to partake.*

*We ask that you hold on to the piece of bread or the cup until all have been served, so that we may partake as one body.*

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

**\*MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION** *a short creed that we remember and proclaim at the Lord's Supper*

We shall do as our Lord commands.

We proclaim that our Lord Jesus  
was sent by the Father into the world,  
that he took upon himself our flesh and blood,  
and bore the wrath of God against our sin.

We confess that he was condemned  
to die that we might be pardoned,  
and suffered death that we might live.

We proclaim that he is risen to make us right with God  
and that he shall come again in the glory of his new creation.

This we do now and until he comes again.

**\*SANCTUS (#572)**

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

(Pavlechko)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na  
in the high-est. — Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in — the high - est.

## SERVING OF THE BREAD

Dr. Zieman will walk down the center aisle with gluten-free bread

## COMMUNION ANTHEM

"Let Us Break Bread Together" (9:00)

arr. Moses Hogan

"We give thee but thine own" (11:10)

Fred Gramann

## SERVING OF THE CUP OF THE NEW COVENANT

### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Holy God, in this meal you have given us what we need; indeed, you have given us more than we need. Grant that we would see you at work in our world and in ourselves as we serve others. Amen.

### \*HYMN OF DEDICATION #175

Seek Ye First

LAFFERTY

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

"Trumpet Voluntary"

Jeremiah Clarke

## SERVING IN MINISTRY TODAY

<b>Liturgist</b>	Amy Boesen, elder on Session		
<b>Music</b>	9:00	Tyler Kalinowski, baritone; Mark Kanitz, organ	
	11:10	Chamber Singers; Mark Kanitz, organ	
<b>Elders serving Communion</b>	9:00	Jeremy Cunningham, Tim Graumann, Darold Bauer, Mimi Bauer, Brenda Graumann, Jeff Boyum, John Sparks, Kathy Nickel, Kathy Moore, Patti Sparks	
	11:10	Josh Murray, Keith Allen, Lloyd Meyer, Charlene Meyer, Paula Allen, Bidong Tot, Barb Scanlan, Annie Wattles, Alta Empkey, Pam Otto	
<b>Ushers</b>	9:00	Jim Miller, Captain, Linda Miller, Darold Buer, Mimi Bauer	
	11:10	Tim Goodman, Captain, Kris Goodman, Judy Sundberg, Barb Scanlan, Dan Scanlan	
<b>Greeters</b>	9:00	North Door:	Bob and Judy Thomas
		Welcome Center:	Dave and Mary Ann Pederson
	11:10	North Door:	Paul and Kathy Nickel
		Welcome Center:	Pam Swenson
<b>Information Center</b>	9:00	Kathy Nickel	11:10 Sue Jenkins
	<b>Childcare Ministry</b> Kari Bernet, Chelsea Spielman, and Brandon Fisher		
<b>Coffee Host</b>	Tammy Holdren		
<b>Flowers</b>	The flowers in the chancel today are given by Sue Meusey, Craig Mack, Dennis Mack and their families. Happy 100 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Betty Mack (Mom, Grammie, Great-Grammie)		

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# Announcements

For the week of November 12, 2023

## The Week at a Glance

### Sunday, November 12

- 9:00 Worship in Sanctuary/with Communion  
10:00 Children's/Youth Sunday School, Albert Sweitzer SS Class, Coffee Fellowship  
11:10 Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream/with Communion  
11-3 Caring and Sharing at Don and Millie's  
4:15 Serve Dinner at Siena Francis House  
4:45 SHF/JHF Set up Angel Tree  
5:30 Presbyterian Men Shrimp Boil

### Monday, November 13

- 9 & 11:00 Music & Movement  
10:00 Tai Chi  
6:30 CE Committee

### Tuesday, November 14

- 9:30 Staff Meeting  
11:30 49er's at Wheatfields  
1:00 Active Minds  
5:30 Finance Committee  
5:30 Membership Committee  
6:00 Vesper Concerts Board  
6:30 Mission Committee

### Wednesday, November 15

- 5:15 Children's Choir  
5:15 PCOC Book Group  
5:50 Chamber Singers  
6:00 Cornerstone Dinner  
6:30 Bible Study  
6:50 Alleluia Singers

### Thursday, November 16

- 9 & 11:00 Music & Movement  
10:00 Tai Chi  
6:00 Carillon Choir

### Friday, November 17

#### **Cross Currents Deadline**

- 6:00 SHF Set up for Advent Dinner  
7:00 Vesper Concert

### Sunday, November 19 – Pantry Sunday

- 9:00 Worship in Sanctuary  
10:00 Children's/Youth Sunday School, In Welcome Center - Coffee Fellowship/International Mission Forum  
11:10 Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream  
12:00 Advent Workshop  
12:00 Nominating Committee

**Joys & Concerns.** Both Bob Reid and Stan Hale continue recuperating at rehab care facilities.

**100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration for Betty Mack 10:00 TODAY.** Sue Meusey and family invite the whole church family to stop by Fellowship Hall between services to have a piece of cake and celebrate Betty becoming a centenarian. Cards are welcome.

**Don & Millie's Caring & Sharing TODAY.** Stop by Don & Millie's at 108th & Center to grab lunch from 11 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. today. Tell them you're with PCOC, and 20% of your bill comes back to us for next year's JHF Mission Trip.

**Serve Dinner at Siena Francis House TODAY.** We are serving dinner today at Siena Francis House from 4:15 to 6:15 p.m. Sign up online via the church website. You can use the same form to join our last minute volunteer list, too! Questions? Contact Keith Allen.

**Youth Groups Tonight.** Both groups will meet at 4:45 p.m. to set up the angel tree followed by some fun & games.

**Classic Shrimp Boil Dinner & Fundraiser TONIGHT.** For those who signed up, Presbyterian Men's old-fashioned shrimp boil begins at 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Questions? Contact Jim Miller or Frank McMullen.

**Active Minds on Tuesday Afternoons.** For November and December, Active Minds will play mah-jongg from 1-4 p.m. Please let Earlene Uhrig know if you plan to play/learn mah-jongg, so we have enough sets. There will also be one table of Sequence in November.



#### **No Tuesday Bible Studies This Week.**

Both the men's group at 7 a.m. and the afternoon group at 1 p.m. will not meet this week (Nov. 14).

**Book Group – Wednesday, November 15.** PCOC Book Group will meet Wednesday, November 18 from 5:15 to 6:30 p.m. to review *The Last Bookshop in London* by Madeline Martin. All readers are welcome! Questions? Contact June Fettig.

**Cross Currents Deadline - Friday, November 17.** If you have content for the December issue of the church



newsletter, please send to [communications@pcoc.us](mailto:communications@pcoc.us).

**Next Vesper Concert - Friday, November 17.** Tenor Brian Jeffers, together with collaborative pianist Stacie Haneline, will present a solo recital on Friday evening November 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Originally from Omaha, Brian Jeffers is a NYC-based vocalist and actor praised for his flexible and heroic tenor (Opera News). Brian is the grandson of PCOC member Nancy Hamil. As always, the concert is FREE.



**Mission Report from Romania and Moldova - Next Sunday, November 19.** See photos and hear about Karen Morey and Annie Wattle's trip to the region between services on November 19 in the Welcome Center.

**Give to the Thanksgiving Offering.** Throughout the month, we'll collect a Thanksgiving Offering. Please use the special giving envelope for this donation, or write Thanksgiving Donation on the memo line of your check. These funds provide Thanksgiving baskets for families in need through our mission partner Completely Kids. Our confirmation class, along with anyone else interested in helping, will assemble the baskets on Wednesday, November 15 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 3.



**Presbyterian Women Christmas Project.** The Presbyterian Women have a Christmas Project for the kids through Heartland Hope Mission. They are collecting crayons, pencils, erasers, and candy to stuff Christmas Stockings. Find the poster and donation bin in the Lobby by the office.

**Advent Workshop - Next Sunday, November 19.** Our Senior High Fellowship (SHF) group will prepare and serve lunch after late worship, and then the crafting begins. Sorry, the deadline to sign up for crafts is closed. However, you may still sign up online to attend the lunch. There is no cost to attend this event, but a freewill donation is encouraged. This is a fundraiser to support the SHF mission trip. **Reminder:** SHF will set up on Friday, November 17 at 6:00 p.m.

**Annual Hanging of the Greens - Saturday, December 2.** Join us at 10:00 a.m. to assemble and decorate Christmas trees, hang wreaths and garlands, and enjoy treats and music. This is a fun event for the entire family. Sign up online if you plan to attend, so we know you're coming!

**Children's Christmas Pageant & Advent Dinner - Sunday, December 3.** The Children's Christmas Pageant starts at 5 p.m., and the Advent Dinner follows. Find the menu details when you sign up for the dinner online or at the Information Desk.



**Light the Advent Candles.** Starting December 3, we need families to light the Advent candles during worship. You will read the Call to Worship as you light the Advent candle(s). Please sign up at the Information Desk.

**Elder & Deacon Nominations.** The PCOC Nominating Committee requests your recommendations as it seeks to nominate men and women to serve as Deacons and Elders for our congregation. Nomination forms are available at the Information Desk in the Welcome Center and online.

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