

November 17, 2024; 9:00 am
Thirty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

We Gather Together

Welcome to today's Service of Worship. Whether you are with us in person, joining us live on zoom, watching on our YouTube channel, or listening on KFIZ, we are glad you are here. For those in person, please use the time before worship to fill in the Friendship Pad in your pew. We extend a special welcome to our visitors, and if you have not already received your welcome gift, please pick one up as you leave the sanctuary after worship.

Copies of the Glory to God hymnal and Common English Bibles are available at the back of the sanctuary for your use during worship.

Prelude: "Great is Thy Faithfulness" *arr. by Douglas E. Wagner*

Welcome & Announcements *Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin*

Ringling of the Bell and entrance of the Light of Christ

***Call to Worship**

Jolene S.

Let our hearts rejoice in the God of hope and faithfulness.

Our strength is in the maker of heaven and earth.

Our foundation is the cornerstone that never fails.

The rock of ages is a foundation like no other.

Hope arises, as the tools of war are broken
and the weak are given strength.

**Hope lives when the hungry are fed
and the poor are lifted up.**

God comes bringing judgment to the ends of the earth,
calling us to hope and faithfulness.

Come, rock of ages, come quickly now.

*** Opening Prayer**

Holy God, your faithful love toward us never ends! It is as sure and dependable as the sky over our heads. We praise you! We've gathered

together in this place to offer you our worship and our thanksgiving; to declare to any who will listen that you are our God, and we are your people. May your Spirit be at work among us as we worship, opening our eyes to the light of your presence in this place. To you alone, be all glory and honor, now and forever. Amen.

***Hymn: GTG 39 “Great is thy Faithfulness”**

Carol W., Cantor

***Call to Confession**

Jolene S.

Longing for the touch of God, we cry out; humbled by the awareness of our human nature and brokenness, we bring our prayers of confession to God, praying together,

***Prayer of Confession**

Jolene S.

Merciful God, look upon us, your servants gathered here, with grace and compassion. Hear our every need. Speak to our fearful hearts, that we may pour out our confessions and admit our wrongdoings...

Silent Confession

(In the silence of our hearts we confess our sins to God.)

Loving God, you have heard our anxieties, our vexations, our worries, our hopes, our dreams. Breathe in us the spirit of forgiveness, that we may receive your grace, and may walk in freedom and glorious hope. In Christ’s name, we pray. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for our God, the God of all ages, the one who has promised forgiveness, is faithful! In the name of Christ, you are forgiven!

Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Sharing God’s Peace**

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also, with you!**

*(Please share the Peace of Christ with those around you using the ancient formula 'The Peace of Christ.' 'And also, with you.' Please be mindful of those who do not wish to shake hands or be too close. **We encourage you to use this time to send a text or emoji to someone who cannot be here.**)*

***Sung Response: GTG 582** "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

God's Word Is Proclaimed

Psalm Reading: Psalm 16 (Common English Bible)

(page 495 in the pew Bible, page 673 Common English Bible)

Protect me, God, because I take refuge in you.

I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord.

Apart from you, I have nothing good."

Now as for the "holy ones" in the land,

the "magnificent ones" that I was so happy about;

let their suffering increase because

they hurried after a different god.

I won't participate in their blood offerings;

I won't let their names cross my lips.

You, LORD, are my portion, my cup;

you control my destiny.

The property lines have fallen beautifully for me;

yes, I have a lovely home.

I will bless the LORD who advises me;

even at night I am instructed

in the depths of my mind.

I always put the LORD in front of me;

I will not stumble because he is on my right side.

That's why my heart celebrates and my mood is joyous;

yes, my whole body will rest in safety

because you won't abandon my life to the grave;

you won't let your faithful follower see the pit.

You teach me the way of life.

In your presence is total celebration.

Beautiful things are always in your right hand.

Scripture Reading: Mark 13:1-8 (Common English Bible)
(page 50 in the pew Bible, page 1235 Common English Bible)

As Jesus left the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Teacher, look! What awesome stones and buildings!”

Jesus responded, “Do you see these enormous buildings? Not even one stone will be left upon another. All will be demolished.”

Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives across from the temple. Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will these things happen? What sign will show that all these things are about to come to an end?”

Jesus said, “Watch out that no one deceives you. Many people will come in my name, saying, ‘I’m the one!’ They will deceive many people. When you hear of wars and reports of wars, don’t be alarmed. These things must happen, but this isn’t the end yet. Nations and kingdoms will fight against each other, and there will be earthquakes and famines in all sorts of places. These things are just the beginning of the sufferings associated with the end.

Children’s Time

Jennifer Zander

***Hymn: GTG 749** “Come! Live in the Light!”

Sermon: “the end...of the beginning”

Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin

Prayers of the People

Arnold L.	Elaney, Gina & Randy* (Andy L. granddaughter, daughter, sil)	Marie L.
Bob & Ollive B.	Elias B* (Laurie C grandson)	Pass Family
Brian C.	Gib D.	Pat D.
Chastity G. & Joan S.	Jesse F.	Pat M.* (Bonnie H sister)
Corinne C.	Joan K. (Marcus A. Mom)	Paul W.
Dan B.	Kathy A*(sis/Kevin B., sil/Kim B)	Qualine S.* (Jodi A mom)
Danielle B.	Liam A.	Sally S.
Dick and Maryann*	Lynn M.	Sherry M.
Dirk V.		Vern A.* (Debra S dad)

The names in bold are new to the prayer list. The names with an asterisk (*) are not church members. However, a church member has received permission to ask that they be lifted in prayer.

If you or someone you know wants added to our prayer list, contact a Deacon or the church staff. Prayer request cards are available in the Prayer Box located in the Narthex, in the church pews, or online ([click here](#)). You can place your prayer request in the offering plate or the lock box at the church office door. For electronic prayer requests, please complete the form and click submit.

If you have a pastoral concern, that happens before or after office hours, please call the office (920.922.0425), press #2 for Pastoral Care.

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.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.

Amen.

We Respond to God's Word

Moment for Mission: Angel Tree

The Practice of Gratitude

In response to God's Word and remembering all things come from God, we offer with thanks a portion of that which God has entrusted to us. The ushers will collect God's tithes and our offerings. For those who have given in other forms, there are cards in the pew racks that you may use as a tangible action of gratitude to God. No matter what we return to God in material forms, may we spiritually place our hearts, and our very lives, in God's hands, to be re-shaped for ministry in Christ, furthering God's kingdom here on earth.

Offering Music: "Sonatina" by William Duncombe

arr. Doria Aparicio *Organ Trio: Peyton T., Paige T. and Kristina A.*

***Offertory: GTG 708** "We Give Thee but Thine Own" v. 1 & 4

***Offertory Prayer**

***Hymn: GTG 357** "The Days are Surely Coming"

***Taking the Light of Christ into the World**

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude: "Llangloffan"

arr. by D. Dewitt Wasson

WEEKLY STATISTICS FOR NOVEMBER 10,2024

Individuals in Person: 114

Zoom Households: 3

<u>DATE</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>NOTES</u>
11/10/2024	\$ 6495.95	Tithes/Offerings
	.00	"Peace & Global Witness"
11/04--		
08/24	\$ 441.00	Vanco Online "Tithes/Offerings"
	.00	Vanco Online "Peace & Global Witness"
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	\$6936.95	TOTAL INCOME FOR THE WEEK

Financial Giving and Gratitude

You can give online at www.fdlpresbyterian.org Giving page. (Click on 'Online Giving'.) You can also give by cash or check on Sunday morning, or by mail. We are so very thankful for your contributions that help us do God's work in our church and in our community.

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November

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This Week

Sunday

9:00-10:00am
10:15-11:15am
10:15-11:15am
10:15-11:15am
11:30-12:45pm
1:00-2:00pm
3:00-4:30pm

November 17

Worship
Fellowship Time
Growing Connections- Adult Day Services-Host Laurie C.
Sunday School in the Gathering Room
PYA Lunch and Activities
PYA at the Woodlands
Cantata Rehearsal

Monday

10:00-11:30am
6:30-7:30pm
6:30-8:30pm

November 18

Staff Meeting
Confirmation Class Observation of Session
Session Meeting

Tuesday

5:00-6:30pm
6:30-8:00pm

November 19

Finance Team Meeting
Slow Church Study

Wednesday

8:00-9:00am
10:00-11:30am
4:00-5:00pm
6:00-8:00pm
6:30-7:30pm

November 20

Men's Breakfast
Slow Church Study
Handbell Rehearsal
Surviving the Holidays
Confirmation Class

Sunday

9:00-10:00am
10:15-11:15am
10:15-11:15am
10:15-11:15am
11:30-12:30pm
3:00-4:30pm

November 24

Worship
Fellowship Time
Growing Connections-Gratitude and Traditions
Sunday School in the Gathering Room
Learning Team Meeting
Cantata Rehearsal