

***Unison Prayer of Dedication:**

Generous God, every good thing that we have comes from you, and without you, we would be nothing. Accept our humble offerings, not because of their size, but because they come from thankful hearts longing to serve you. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Maureen St. John, Roxanne Somers, Meg Yanefski, Damian, David, Doug Hoffman, Erin Fitzpatrick, Jason Russell, Jennifer Martin, Barbara, Geoff Hicks, Butch Hahn, The Langlois Family, Patty Christopher, Rev. Michele Allen, Annie Galm, Rev. Bruce Gillette, The Walters Family, Jennifer Grenier, Kyle Currier

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.

***Hymn No. 643** "Now Thank We All Our God"

Commitment Time and Benediction *Dr. Rev. Cheni Khonje*

***** Please stand as you are able. *****

<i>Thank you to our Worship Servers</i>	
Ushers	Dave Nicastro & Margaret Ginter
Liturgist	Bev Donofrio
Acolyte	Emory Wichart

Flowers are in Memory of:

Grace Hamilton Snelbaker and Earl Warner



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10 AM Worship Service ❖ November 12, 2023
24th Sunday after Pentecost
Rev. Dr. Khonje

For Prayer & Contemplation

"That to which your heart clings and entrusts itself is, I say, really your God." -Martin Luther

Welcome & Sharing Information

Prelude "Simple Gifts" - arr. Purifoy George Rabbai, trumpet

Call to Worship (Psalm 147: 7-11)

One: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre.

All: He covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass grow on the hills.

One: He gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens when they cry.

All: His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner; but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

*Hymn No. 712 As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought

Prayer of Confession (The Worship Sourcebook)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance (Adapted From Romans 5: 8-10)

One: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. If he died for us while we were enemies, now that we have been reconciled, we can trust even more in the love and grace of our Lord.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Hymn No. 581 "Glory Be to the Father"

"Glory be the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen."

*Passing of Peace

One: May the Peace of Christ be with you. **All: And also, with you.**

Anthem: "Grateful Hearts" - Organ Sunshine Singers

Time with Children (Dismissal to Sunday School)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: God be with you there.

Children: God be with you here.

Scripture

1st Reading: *Matthew 6: 9-21* NT pg. 6 LP pg. 7

2nd Reading: *1 Chronicles 29: 1-16* OT pgs. 386-387 LP pgs. 478-479

Sermon "God's House" - Rev. Dr. Khonje

*Affirmation of Faith (Apostle's Creed)

I believe in God, the Father, almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory "For the Beauty of the Earth" - arr. Ashdown

*Doxology No. 606 "Praise God...All Blessings Flow"

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."