

***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, Susan Somers, Rich Maurer, Marie Foster

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. 36** "For the Fruit of All Creation"

***Benediction**

***Benediction Hymn No. 726** "Will You Come and Follow Me" (verse 5)

"Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me."

Postlude "For the Fruit of All Creation" - *arr. Stoldt*

<i>Thank you to our Worship Servers</i>	
Ushers	John Fitzpatrick & Renee Sheridan
Liturgist	Betsy Wriggins
Acolyte	Jane Harrison

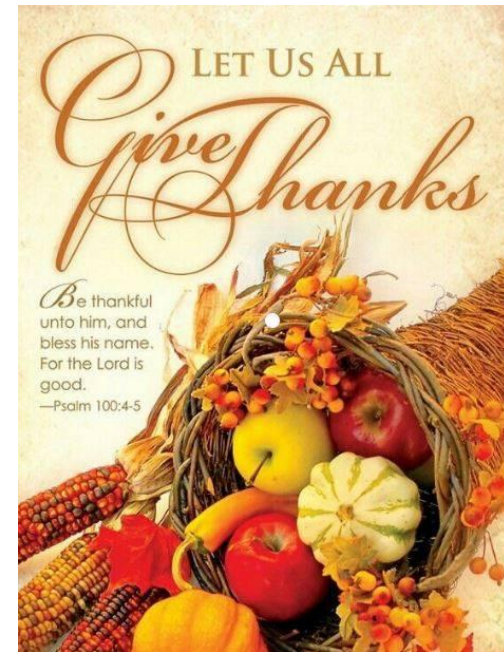


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10 AM Worship Service ❖ November 19, 2023

25th Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer & Contemplation

"You have succeeded in life when all you really want is only what you really need." - *Vernon Howard*

Welcome & Sharing Information

Prelude "We Gather Together" - *arr. Phillips*

Call to Worship (*adapted from Ephesians 5: 8-10*)

One: Once you walked in darkness,
But now in the Lord you walk in the light.

All: **Keep your mind on what is good, and right, and true,
Shine your light into the world's darkness,
And Christ will shine on you.**

*Hymn No. 336 "We Gather Together"

Prayer of Confession

Merciful Jesus, we confess that we find it difficult to forgive others and easy to forgive ourselves, when it should be the other way around. We look for splinters in the eyes of others, ignoring the planks in our own.

Forgive us Lord. Humble us so that we may be like you, ready to forgive, willing to lay down our selves for each other, obedient to your will.

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance (*Adapted From 1 Thessalonians 5: 4-5*)

One: Children of light, because we belong to Christ, we need not fear —he lived for us, died for us, was raised and prays for us.
Believe the promise of your baptism:

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: "I Will Give Joyful Thanks" - *Nolan* *Sanctuary Choir*

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: *Ephesians 5: 6-14* **New Testament** pg. 194 **LP** pgs. 237-238

2nd Reading: *Matthew 25: 14-30* **New Testament** pgs. 28-29 **LP** pgs. 34-35

Sermon "Burying the Talents"- *Rev. Drew Harrison*

*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 "We Gather Together" - *arr. Peters*

*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."