

Prelude "Thanks be to God" G. F. Handel / arr. Patricia Lou Harris

Welcome and Announcements Rev. H. Neely Gaston, D. D.

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Sing to the Lord a new song, a song of hope and rejoicing!

Praise God for wonderful acts of mercy and kindness!

God has remembered God's faithful ones.

God has poured blessing upon blessing upon us!

Praise the Lord, all the earth, shout your praise!

Rejoice, for God is truly with us. AMEN.

* *Bible Songs*, 283 "Sing His Praises" O PRAISE YE THE NAME OF JEHOVAH

*Invocation

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.

Trinity Hymnal, 501 "Just As I Am, without One Plea" (v. 1, 4-6) WOODWORTH

Psalter Reading Psalm 135 (*Trinity Hymnal*, pages 834-835)

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; and the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*universal or world-wide

Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father" [TH 734] MEINEKE

Children's Sermon

Silent Prayer "Eye Hath not Seen" (from *The Holy City*) A. R. Gaul / arr. Stewart Landon

Prayer

Offertory "Do You See the Reason" Bill Sloan and Barry Braman

*Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" [TH 731] OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer

Scripture Romans 11:1-10

¹ I ask then: Did God reject his people? By no means! I am an Israelite myself, a descendant of Abraham, from the tribe of Benjamin. ² God did not reject his people, whom he foreknew. Don't you know what Scripture says in the passage about Elijah—how he appealed to God against Israel: ³ "Lord, they have killed your prophets and torn down your altars; I am the only one left, and they are trying to kill me"? ⁴ And what was God's answer to him? "I have reserved for myself seven thousand who have not bowed the knee to Baal." ⁵ So too, at the present time there is a remnant chosen by grace. ⁶ And if by grace, then it cannot be based on works; if it were, grace would no longer be grace. ⁷ What then? What the people of Israel sought so earnestly they did not obtain. The elect among them did, but the others were hardened, ⁸ as it is written: "God gave them a spirit of stupor, eyes that could not see and ears that could not hear, to this very day." ⁹ And David says: "May their table become a snare and a trap, a stumbling block and a retribution for them. ¹⁰ May their eyes be darkened so they cannot see, and their backs be bent forever."

Sermon "The Remnant"

Prayer

* *Trinity Hymnal*, 128 "God Moves in a Mysterious Way" DUNDEE

*Prayer

*Benediction

*Postlude "A Trumpet Tune" Lani Smith

Announcements for November 12, 2023

The Diaconat meets following worship in the Fellowship Hall.

The Session and our Women's Ministry meets next Sunday following worship.

Twice each year the ARP Church collects a special offering to support some of the ministries of our denomination. The Fall Offering is for the benefit of: Christian Benevolent Fund, Erskine College, and Erskine Seminary. The Christmas Benevolent Fund make it possible to minister to those who have served in the past as minister, missionary, or General Synod employee. One hundred percent of your gift is passed on to these men and women who have faithfully served our denomination. We urge you to give generously to these special causes and beyond your tithe to the church. If you would like to give online, go to <https://abundant.co/generalsynodarpchurc/thanks>.

Today is Orphan Sunday. The ministry the ARP Church has to orphans is through the Dunlap Foundation. Dunlap Foundation supports French Camp Academy (Mississippi), Hope for the Fatherless (Ethiopia), Miracle Hill Ministries (Greenville, SC), Palmer Home for Children (Mississippi), Reach the Children of Rwanda International (RCRI), Boys Farm (Newberry, SC), King's Kids (International), Mabel Lowry Home (Pakistan), Collins Home for Children (Seneca, SC). If you would like to contribute through the church, you can write a check and write Dunlap on the memo line any time during the month of November. David McCain will then write a check from the church.

We plan to decorate the church for Christmas after worship on Sunday, November 26th. I have hot dogs, chili, and chips. You are welcome to bring a side or a dessert. In addition to indoor decorations, we would like to set up the outside tree lights in front of the church. Everyone is invited to help out.

Paul is asking for volunteers to help with the readings and lighting of the candles for Advent. Please consider volunteering. A sign-up sheet is on the hallway desk. One person from each family needs to meet with Paul following worship on Sunday, November 26th on the first pew in the Sanctuary.

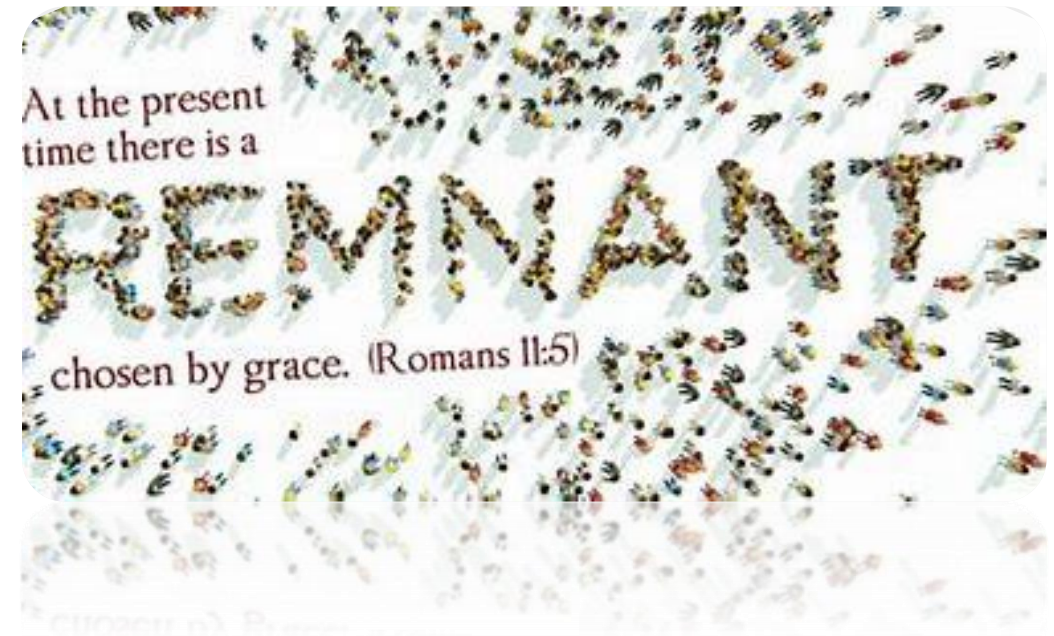
York County Choral Society is sponsoring a Pecan Fundraiser. One-pound bags are \$14 each. See Paul Broome for more information.

Our Christmas Dinner will be Friday, December 8th at 6:30. Our catered meal will be ham, turkey, dressing & gravy, brown rice, green beans, macaroni & cheese, sweet potato casserole, cranberry sauce, roll, and dessert. Everyone is invited to attend, There is no charge for the meal. Please plan to join us. There is a sign-up sheet in the hallway so we can get a count for the meal.

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Sunday, November 12, 2023



Welcome in the name of Christ to all who gather for worship at Union Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. As you join us for worship, we hope that you will sense God's presence, be caught up in joyful praise, be challenged by God's Word, and leave strengthened to live for Christ in the world. If you do not have a church home in this community, we encourage you to consider uniting with us in our work and worship.