

Prelude "Trumpet Tune" Henry Purcell / arr. Rick Parks

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

Call to Worship

The world is filled with the glory of God.

We give thanks to God!

The hills and valleys are filled with colour.

We give thanks to God!

The vines and trees are filled with fruit.

We give thanks to God!

Because we have food to put on the table,

We give thanks to God!

Because we have this community that loves us,

We give thanks to God!

We fill this house of God with our voices, saying,

We give thanks to God!

May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to you, O God,
as we enter into this service of thanksgiving and praise.

*Trinity Hymnal, 604 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" (v. 1, 3, 6) MARION

*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, 638 "Savior, Thy Dying Love Thou Gavest Me" SOMETHING FOR JESUS

Psalter Reading Psalm 100 (Trinity Hymnal, page 821)

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 "Meditation on VALLEY" (excerpt) arr. Jeanette Keyser

Prayer

Offertory "Now Thank We All Our God" arr. Marie Pooler

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

*Prayer

Scripture Lamentations 3:21-25 ESV

²¹ But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: ²² The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; ²³ they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴ "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."
²⁵ The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him.

Sermon "Thanksgiving Blessings"

Prayer

*Trinity Hymnal, 635 "How Good It Is to Thank the Lord" ST. PETERSBURG

*Prayer

*Benediction

*Postlude "Festive Trumpet Tune" David German

Announcements for Sunday, November 24, 2024

We welcome Jamey Dagenhart as our guest speaker today.

Paul would like to meet with one representative from each family lighting the Advent candles in the Choir Room following worship.

There will be a joint meeting of the Session and Diaconate this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Every family should pick up a copy of *Everyday Gospel Christmas Devotional*. Thanks to Rev. Neely Gaston for providing them.

There is still time to donate to the Special Fall Offering that supports the work and ministry of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. Another ministry you may want to contribute to this month is the Dunlap Foundation. If you would like to contribute to Dunlap Foundation through the church remember to write Dunlap on the memo line.

We are planning to decorate the church for Advent and have lunch on Saturday, November 30th at 9:30 a.m. We are hoping to put up our outside Christmas lights too.

We will begin our Advent Food Drive next Sunday. On the first Sunday of Advent remember the letter "H" for "Hope. So as you shop look for Hamburger Helper, Hazelnut Spread, Honey Nut Cheerios ... All non-perishable foods accepted! There will be a container in the vestibule and in the hallway to collect your donations.

There is a sign-up sheet for our Christmas Dinner on Friday, December 13th at 6:30 p.m. Our meal will be provided by the church at no charge. We simply need to get a count.

We are planning to have a float in the Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 14th at 11:00. If you are interested in riding our float, please let Katherine Dodson know. It was lots of fun last year!

Wishing everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving filled with love and happiness!

Special Offering (Union Cemetery):

Ruth Brown, Ken & Jean Frick, and Kenneth & Sharon Caldwell

Birthdays & Anniversaries

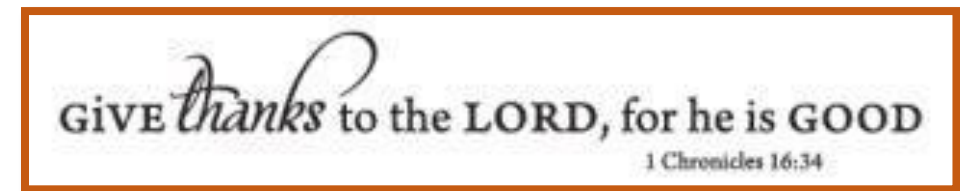
November 24 – Mary Beth Burton

November 24 -- Scottie Gibson

November 26 – Jessie Gordon

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Order of Worship
Sunday, November 24, 2024



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.