



Glorify God, grow disciples, and meet the needs of our neighbors.

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Rich Lewis

PRELUDE

Fantasy in D minor

W. A. Mozart

Katia Dinas

You are righteous, O Lord, and your judgments are right. You have appointed your decrees in righteousness and in all faithfulness. Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it. Psalm 119:137-138, 140

◆ CALL TO WORSHIP

Kyle Feather, Lay Liturgist

Leader: Blessed are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

People: **We are glad in the Lord and rejoice!**

Leader: Blessed are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

People: **We shout for joy as we trust in the Lord!**

◆ OPENING HYMN

God of the Sparrow (vv. 1, 4, 5, 6)

GTG 22

ROEDER

CALL TO CONFESSION

Seeking to follow Jesus, we often wander down the wrong roads. Impatient with God, we rush off to do things our way. Let us acknowledge our foolishness, that we might receive God's hope for our lives.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Surrounded by so many seductions, O Patient God, we find it difficult to see you in our lives. We think comfort and hope come from the echo chambers of our opinions and the anxious actions of biases. However, our neighborhoods, our families, and sometimes even our churches, are filled with strife and contention. Doing good and seeking justice has become blindly myopic. We cry out for mercy and deliverance, O Listening God. As we wait for your grace to fill our lives and call us down from our isolation, may the Spirit open our hearts to your hope and healing, always giving thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

We are all God's children, and God continues to transform each of us into the people we are meant to be. Though our sins are like scarlet, they have been made like snow; though they are red like crimson, they have become like wool in Jesus Christ!

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! In the Spirit, may we learn to do good, seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the voiceless and plead for rejected.

◆ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GTG 582

GLORY TO GOD

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

***World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

HEARING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM

I Will Live My Thanks

words & music by Joseph M. Martin & Ruth Elaine Schram

I will live my thanks, O Lord; I will show my gratitude. In ev'ry day, in ev'ry way, I will live my thanks to you. I will share your gifts of love in all I say and do. With songs of praise and acts of grace, I will live my thanks to you.

I will live my thanks, O Lord, with my willing hands and feet. In ev'ry day, in ev'ry way, I will spread your joy and peace.

I will share your gifts of love in all I say and do. With songs of praise and acts of grace, I will live my thanks to you.

You have blessed me that I may be a blessing, filled my heart that love might overflow. You have given that I might give to others; you have touched me that I might be an instrument of hope,

And I will live my thanks, O Lord; I will show my gratitude. In ev'ry day, in ev'ry way, I will live my thanks to you. I will share your gifts of love in all I say and do. With songs of praise and acts of grace, I will live my thanks to you. With songs of praise, songs of praise and acts of grace, I will live my thanks to you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

SECOND READING

Luke 19:1-10

SERMON

"Waiting for Jesus; Living by Faith"

Rev. Dr. Ken Ritchie

RESPONDING

◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Confession of 1967, 9

The reconciling act of God in Jesus Christ exposes the evil in human beings as sin in the sight of God. In sin, humans claim mastery of their own lives, turn against God and their fellow person, and become exploiters and despoilers of the world. They lose their humanity in futile striving and are left in rebellion, despair, and isolation. God's love never changes. Against all who oppose him, God expresses his love in wrath. In the same love, God took on himself judgment and shameful death in Jesus Christ, to bring human beings to repentance and new life.

◆ HYMN OF MEDITATION

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

GTG 310

ST. THOMAS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND 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.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

OFFERING

Offertory

Whispering Hope

Jennifer Cook

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

GTG 606

**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.**

Prayer of Dedication

O Lord, how can we thank you for such wonderful love? You have covered us with blessing and sustained us with hope. Most of all you have given us your very self, for our life and the life of the world. In gratitude we give, for the sake of those you love, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

SENDING

◆HYMN OF DEDICATION
O God of Every Nation

GTG 756
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◆CHARGE & BENEDICTION

We will glorify God, grow disciples, and meet the needs of our neighbors.

◆CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

GTG 80

You Shall Go Out with Joy

THE TREES OF THE FIELD

**You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; the mountains and the hills will break forth before you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands;
the trees of the field will clap their hands while you go out with joy.**

◆ Stand as you are able

GTG-Glory to God Hymnal

Online giving is now available. Just scan the QR Code to the right with your smart phone or go to our website and click the "Give Now" button. www.FaithUnited-pc.com You will have the option to set up your giving profile. This will make it easy to login anytime you are ready to give, even designated giving like Special Offerings.

You can also select to donate the 2% fee so Faith United does not incur it.



Stewardship 2022

Eternally Loved, Intentionally Loving.

It's pumpkin spice season so it must also be stewardship season! As we near the end of 2022 and look forward to 2023, our church continues to face many challenges. This is not a time to pull back in fear, but a time to lean into the promises of God. Our giving is ultimately not about us, or the church or the church budget. We give because God has eternally loved us in Jesus Christ. This is the source of our hope. Yet, there is also a practical side to giving - ministry costs money and the costs of ministry are rising like everything else.

You will receive a packet (including a pledge card) in the mail soon. You may return the pledge card via mail or bring it on Sunday, 11/20. Sunday, November 20 will be Commitment Sunday as we commit ourselves through our 2023 financial pledges to following Jesus in God's mission. We offer and give what we have trusting that Jesus will multiply our giving! Consider an increase in your regular giving to help us be faithful in our neighborhood!

PRAYER LIST

Dale Durcholz

Mike Jones

Dennis Van Deventer

George & Mozelle Mills

David Duell

Greg Kaut (George & Mozelle's son-in-law)

Homebound or Recovering: Freddie Simmons, Charley Rae Furrh (Terri Russell's cousin)



NOMINATING COMMITTEE It is that time of year to discern who God is calling to participate in God's mission by serving on the Session. If you would have interest in exploring this opportunity or if you would be willing to serve on Nominating Committee, please contact Debbie Menefee or Kathleen Ferguson.

SAVE THE DATES This year we will be trying something new! VBS in December! Vacation Bible School will be offered the first two Saturdays in December, 12/3 and 12/10. This will allow neighborhood parents opportunity to do some holiday shopping or just enjoy a day out. We will partner with Iglesia Emmanuel for this ministry. We will need several volunteers! So save the dates! Watch and listen for more information to follow!



FALL WORKDAY We will be doing a fall workday on the church grounds, Saturday, November 5, 9-Noon. We will be trimming, weeding, clearing, etc. Please bring yard tools and implements. We expect folks from Iglesia Emmanuel will also be present! Let's make our grounds have curb appeal as we head into Advent!

Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services™

A luncheon event benefiting the children of PCHAS

November 3, 2022
12:00 pm

Location
DoubleTree by Hilton at
Campbell Centre
8250 North Central Expy
Dallas, TX 75206

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OPENING HYMN

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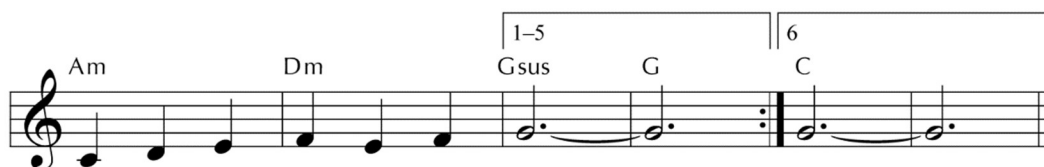
God of the Sparrow



1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the
 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand God of the



swirl - ing stars How does the crea - ture say Awe
 trum - pet blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe
 emp - ty grave How does the crea - ture say Grace
 prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care
 prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love
 lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy



How does the crea - ture say Praise
 How does the crea - ture cry Save
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks
 How does the crea - ture say Life
 How does the crea - ture say Peace
 How do your chil - dren say Home

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Though a lack of punctuation makes this text appear freeform and the flowing tune enhances a sense of movement, each stanza here is firmly anchored by a final weighty word (praise, save, thanks, life, peace, home), a sign of God's eternal presence in an ever-changing world.

HYMN of MEDITATION

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord 310



1 I love thy king - dom, Lord, the house of thine a - bode,
 2 I love thy church, O God. Her walls be - fore thee stand,
 3 For her my tears shall fall; for her my prayers as - cend;
 4 Be - yond my high - est joy I prize her heaven - ly ways:
 5 Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zi - on shall be given

the church our blest Re - deem - er saved with his own pre - cious blood.
 dear as the ap - ple of thine eye, and grav - en on thy hand.
 to her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.
 her sweet com - mu - nion, sol - emn vows, her hymns of love and praise.
 the bright - est glo - ries earth can yield, and bright - er bliss of heaven.

One of the oldest American hymn texts in continuous use, this paraphrase of Psalm 137 was created by a president of Yale University while compiling a popular revision of Watts's *Psalms of David*. The arranger of the tune was the clerk of a Presbyterian church in London.

TEXT: Timothy Dwight, 1800
 MUSIC: *The Universal Psalmist*, 1763; adapt. Aaron Williams, 1770

ST. THOMAS
 SM

O God of Every Nation 756

1 O God of ev - ery na - tion, of ev - ery race and land,
 2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,
 3 Lord, strength-en those who la - bor that all may find re - lease
 4 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,

re - deem the whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand.
 from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc - tion through the night,
 from fear of rat - tling sa - ber, from dread of war's in - crease;
 when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,

Where hate and fear di - vide us and bit - ter threats are hurled,
 from pride of race and sta - tion and blind - ness to your way,
 when hope and cour - age fal - ter, your still small voice be heard;
 till dawns the morn - ing glo - rious when truth and jus - tice reign

in love and mer - cy guide us and heal our strife - torn world.
 de - liv - er ev - ery na - tion, e - ter - nal God, we pray.
 with faith that none can al - ter, your ser - vants un - der - gird.
 and Christ shall rule vic - to - rious o'er all the world's do - main.

If we truly believe that God cares for all people, we cannot limit our prayers and songs for peace to the welfare of our own nation, no matter how much we may love it. This challenging text is set to a stirring Welsh tune, named for a hamlet with a prominent Baptist chapel.

FUPC Choir and Music leadership

David Pierce, Director of Music

Katia Dinas, Pianist

Soprano

Marissa Guerrero
Lois Norton
Barbara Ritchie
Gerry Shotswell
Katelyn Spivey

Alto

Patti Sloey
Jessica Stottlemeyer
Renee Wensley

Tenor

Houston Burns
Kyle Feather
Jeremy Rohwer

Bass

Hawkins Burns
Rich Lewis
Zachary Rohwer

The Session

Rev. Dr. Ken Ritchie, Moderator of Session
Rich Lewis, Treasurer

Class of 2022

*Kathleen Ferguson, W&M
*Debbie Menefee, CL
*Katie Miller, CE
*Tracy Tiemann, B&G

Class of 2023

*Courtland Lewis, O&E
*Patti Sloey, Finance
Brenda Burkham, CL

Class of 2024

Kurt Booth, O&E
Frank Fehmel, Finance
Terrie Russell, CE
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CHOSEN TO SERVE

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