



Faith United
Presbyterian
Church
in Farmers Branch

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



November 22, 2020

O come, let us sing to the LORD: the rock of our salvation! Psalm 95:1

GATHERING

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 65

Leader: Praise is due you, O God.

People: **By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation.**

Leader: Blessed are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.

People: **O God you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.**

OPENING HYMN

GTG 367

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

CALL TO CONFESSION

We are a forgetful people; God does not forget his steadfast love and faithfulness. Let us confess our sin to the One who longs to create in us a new heart.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God of grace, we bring you our ingratitude for all that you have done for us, our impatience when prayers seem to be ignored, our selfishness when prompted to give or share, our unfaithfulness when wandering from your way. We ask for forgiveness and redeemed hearts through Jesus Christ who gave all, that we might learn to do likewise. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

You are invited to take a moment for silent confession.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Take comfort: we, and the whole world with us, are always embraced in Christ's love. In Christ, there is always enough forgiveness, healing, hope, joy.
We are a forgiven people raised to new life in the power of the Holy Spirit!

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

GTG 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

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

Our Many Hymns of Thanks

Words, Herb Frombach; Music, David Lantz, III

Sydney Barber, accompanist

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 8:7-18

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Luke 17:11-19

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Ken Ritchie

"A Giving Thanks Faith"

RESPONDING

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Brief Statement of Faith, 11.4

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

HYMN OF MEDITATION

Now Thank We All Our God

GTG 643

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

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

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, you are the bread of heaven, giving life to the world. You fill our emptiness with your goodness.

You come to our weakness with your strength. Take and use these offerings to bring in a rich harvest of your heavenly food and life-giving refreshment, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

SENDING

HYMN OF DEDICATION

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

GTG 804

MARION

CHARGE

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

BENEDICTION

Choral Amen

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.
2 All the world is God's own field, fruit in thank-ful praise to yield,
3 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the har - vest home;
4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home.

All is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the win - ter storms be - gin.
wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.
from each field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;
Gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,


God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.
give the an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
there for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy pres - ence to a - bide:

Come to God's own tem - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.
Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.
but the fruit - ful ears to store in God's gar - ner ev - er - more.
come, with all thine an - gels, come; raise the glo - rious har - vest home!

COVID-19 Update! We continue to worship online. COVID-19 may change how we worship. BUT, it does not stop worship! We will keep you informed as best we can as we continue this journey. Remember, keep connected to each other through phone calls, emails, and texts! If you are aware of anyone who needs something, please let Pastor Ken know.



1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
 2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,



who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
 with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
 to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:

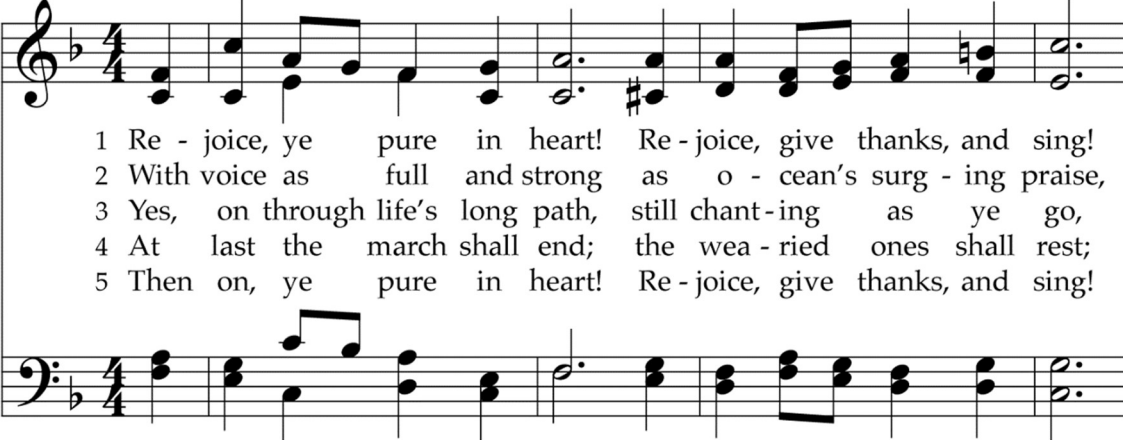


who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
 and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,
 the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,

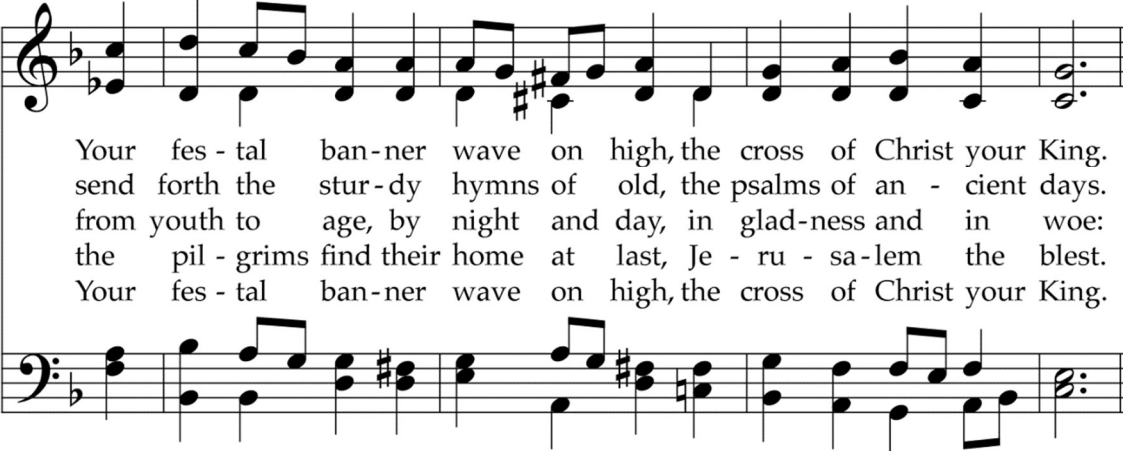


with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
 the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

Although this hymn is often used on large and festive occasions, its first two stanzas had much humbler beginnings: they originated as a family table prayer during the Thirty Years' War (1618–1648). These words have been associated with this tune since the mid-17th century.



1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!
 2 With voice as full and strong as o - cean's surg - ing praise,
 3 Yes, on through life's long path, still chant - ing as ye go,
 4 At last the march shall end; the wea - ried ones shall rest;
 5 Then on, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!



Your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.
 send forth the stur - dy hymns of old, the psalms of an - cient days.
 from youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe:
 the pil - grims find their home at last, Je - ru - sa - lem the blest.
 Your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain


Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!
 Re - joice! Re - joice!

The FUPC Staff is here for you!

Pastor Ken, Brenda Swindle, and David Pierce are in their "Work from Home" offices and ready to assist. Ken and Brenda are checking the mail box daily to receive your notes or checks. They are also receiving your emails and calls with any questions or concerns.

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