

**November 12, 2023**  
**24th Sunday after Pentecost**

**PRELUDE** "Cantata No. 147" Bach

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**IN HONOR OF OUR VETERANS**

**OPENING SENTENCES**

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good. Ps. 118:1  
**God's steadfast love endures forever.**  
Stand firm and hold fast to your faith. 2 Thess. 2:15-17  
**God will strengthen us in word and deed.**  
The Lord watches over the strangers; Ps. 146:9  
**God upholds those who are in need.**  
Let us worship God!

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

+**HYMN:** GTG #363 "Rejoice, the Lord Is King!" DARWALL'S 148TH

**CALL TO CONFESSION** Col. 2:12

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O Lord our God,  
you call us to proclaim the gospel,  
but we remain silent in the presence of evil.  
You call us to be reconciled to you and one another,  
but we are content to live in separation.  
You call us to seek the good of all,  
but we fail to resist the powers of oppression.  
You call us to fight pretensions and injustice,  
but we sit idly by,  
endangering the lives of people far and near.

Forgive us, O Lord.  
Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit,  
and give us the courage and strength  
to be reconciled to others;  
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

**SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

... In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. 1 Tim. 1:15; 1 Pet. 2:24  
**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**HYMN:** GTG #819 "Be Still, My Soul" FINLANDIA

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

... God of grace,  
hear our prayer.

+ Those who are able may stand. 1

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Children and youth are dismissed to Sunday School*

**INVITATION TO OFFERING** Matt. 10:8

**OFFERTORY** "Valse no. 7" Granados

+**RESPONSE:** GTG #606 OLD HUNDREDTH  
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

+**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from *The Heidelberg Catechism*  
(Germany, 1563)

55. What do you believe concerning "the forgiveness of sins"?  
**I believe that God, because of Christ's satisfaction, will no longer remember any of my sins or my sinful nature which I need to struggle against all my life.**

**Rather, by grace God grants me the righteousness of Christ to free me forever from judgment.**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Exodus 16:1-5, 13-21 O.T. page 48

**PSALM** Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45  
Give thanks to the LORD and call upon God's name;  
make known the deeds of the LORD among the peoples.  
**Sing to the LORD, sing praises,**  
**and speak of all God's marvelous works.**

Glory in God's holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.  
**Search for the strength of the LORD;**  
**continually seek God's face.**

Remember the marvels God has done,  
the wonders and the judgments of God's mouth,  
**O offspring of Abraham, God's servant,**  
**O children of Jacob, God's chosen ones.**  
You led out your people with silver and gold;  
in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.  
**Egypt was glad to see them go,**  
**because they were afraid of them.**

You spread out a cloud for a covering  
and a fire to give light by night.  
**They asked, and you brought quail,**  
**and satisfied them with bread from heaven.**

You opened the rock, and water flowed,  
so the river ran in the dry places.  
**For you remembered your holy word**  
**and Abraham your servant.**  
So you led forth your people with gladness,  
**your chosen with shouts of joy.**

GTG = *Glory to God* (purple) 2

**GOSPEL LESSON** Luke 12:13-31 N.T. page 56

**GOSPEL LESSON** John 6:31-33 N.T. page 75

**RESPONSE TO SCRIPTURE** Ps. 112:1  
Happy are those who delight in God's word.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM** "Give Us This Day" Choplin

**SERMON** *The Lord's Prayer, Part 3:* Rev. Dr. Jim Hegedus  
"Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread"

+**HYMN:** GTG #839 "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!" ASSURANCE

+**BLESSING** Phil. 4:7  
... remain with you always.  
**Amen!**

+**CHARGE** 2 Tim. 4:2, 5; Luke 18:1  
Proclaim the good news,  
be persistent in prayer,  
do the work of the gospel,  
and carry out the ministry  
of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

+**CHORAL BENEDICTION** "Marvelous Things" anonymous

**POSTLUDE** "Spanish Dance No. 2" Granados

**You are invited to join us**  
**for fellowship and refreshments**  
**after worship in the Memorial Room.**  
*It is not necessary to remain seated during the postlude.*

**SERVING US TODAY**  
**Liturgist:** Rev. Bill Pinches  
**Greeters:** Tom and Tonya Seely  
**Sound:** Marty Subject  
**Livestream:** Tami Chapman  
**Security:** Tim Hammond

**Today's flowers are given by**  
Mary Garland Jackson & Rex Hauser  
in memory of  
Sharon Shouse and Sandy Hernandez

**CHURCH HISTORY IN MINIATURE**

**#59. Festus:**

Governor Porcius Festus succeeds Felix and considers Paul's case. Paul appeals to the Roman Emperor. Festus consults with King Herod Agrippa II. (*Acts 25:1-22*) (*AD 59*)

**THE STUDY CATECHISM**

**Question 109. What is the seventh commandment?**

"You shall not commit adultery" (Ex. 20:14; Deut. 5:18).

**Question 110. What do you learn from this commandment?**

God requires fidelity and purity in sexual relations. Since love is God's great gift, God expects me not to corrupt it, or confuse it with momentary desire or the selfish fulfillment of my own pleasures. God forbids all sexual immorality, whether in married or in single life.

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**DAILY PRAYER**

*Book of Common Worship: Daily Prayer* (2018)

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

<b>Today</b>	Adult Sunday School ( <i>The Chosen</i> )	11:15 am
	Explorers Class	11:15 am
<b>Tuesday</b>	Women's Association Craft and Lunch	10:30 am
	Friends!	3:30 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Lunch Packing for Advent House	10:30 am
	Prayer Fellowship	12:00 pm
	Wonderful Wednesday (children/youth)	4:00 pm
	Wednesday Night Dinner	6:00 pm
	Bell Choir rehearsal	6:30 pm
	Choir rehearsal	7:10 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Task Force	5:30 pm
	Session	7:00 pm
<b>Friday</b>	Church Office closed / Pastor's Sabbath	
<b>Saturday</b>	Yarners	10:00 am

**BIRTHDAYS**

Kyle McGonigal Nov. 15  
Jason Blonshine Nov. 16

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*The Gathering of the Manna*  
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*The fruit of the Spirit  
is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity,  
faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.  
(Galatians 5:22-23)*