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MISSION STATEMENT

"WALKING WITH JESUS TO BRING NEW LIFE AND HOPE TO EVERY PERSON"

WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2024

6:00 P.M.

**WE GATHER TOGETHER
A SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING**



We welcome you to the worship of this community of faith.

As we sing, pray and study God's word together may we strengthen each other's faith in the saving power of Jesus Christ. It is difficult to be a Christian by yourself!

Abraham Lincoln Thanksgiving Presidential Proclamation

It has pleased Almighty God to prolong our national life another year, defending us with His guardian care against unfriendly designs from abroad and vouchsafing to us in His mercy many and signal victories over the enemy, who is of our own household. It has also pleased our Heavenly Father to favor as well our citizens in their homes as our soldiers in their camps and our sailors on the rivers and seas with unusual health. He has largely augmented our free population by emancipation and by immigration, while He has opened to us new sources of wealth and has crowned the labor of our workingmen in every department of industry with abundant rewards. Moreover, He has been pleased to animate and inspire our minds and hearts with fortitude, courage, and resolution sufficient for the great trial of civil war into which we have been brought by our adherence as a nation to the cause of freedom and humanity, and to afford to us reasonable hopes of an ultimate and happy deliverance from all our dangers and afflictions:

Now, therefore, I, Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States, do hereby appoint and set apart the last Thursday in November next as a day which I desire to be observed by all my fellow-citizens, wherever they may then be, as a day of thanksgiving and praise to Almighty God, the beneficent Creator and Ruler of the Universe. And I do further recommend to my fellow-citizens aforesaid that on that occasion they do reverently humble themselves in the dust and from thence offer up penitent and fervent prayers and supplications to the Great Disposer of Events for a return of the inestimable blessings of peace, union, and harmony throughout the land which it has pleased Him to assign as a dwelling place for ourselves and for our posterity throughout all generations.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this 20th day of October, A.D. 1864, and of the Independence of the United States the eighty-ninth.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

Welcome & Announcements

GATHERING HYMN (Sung after each petition of the Litany)

**We gather together to seek the Lord's favor, For
daily we savor God's goodness divine. Together
confessing, we seek his great blessing And find
an honored place at his table to dine.**

P Lift up your voices, O people; sing together for joy.

C Break forth together rejoicing.

P Witness what the Lord has done, the Lord who promises and saves.

**We gather together with songs of thanksgiving.
To God ever-living our anthems we raise.
With anthems unending let praise be ascending
With hearts and lives united to show forth our praise.**

P Let all the nations gather together, and let the peoples assemble.

**C Gather to me my faithful ones, says the Lord, those who made a
covenant with me by sacrifice.**

P How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity.

**We gather together, abundantly gifted, Our
voices uplifted ring sweet in God's ear.
O blest congregation, with high adoration
Come now to offer thanks; in God's temple appear.**

P I will surely gather all of you, says the Lord.

C I will set you together like sheep in a fold, like a flock in its pasture.

P Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

We gather together, most firmly believing.

**From God's hand receiving, wherever we go Our
shepherd beside us, to lead us and guide us, A
table set before us, our cups overflow.**

P Oh, magnify the Lord with me.

C Let us exalt his name together.

P Let us offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay our vows to the Most High.

**We gather together, our offerings bearing, In
gratitude sharing with others in need.**

**Receive them, O Father, these gifts that we gather, To
spread your name abroad, like true life-giving seed.**

WORSHIP CAROL

CHOIR

"Sing to the Lord of Harvest"

FIRST READING**Deuteronomy 8: 1-10***A Warning Not to Forget God in Prosperity*

8 "The entire commandment that I command you today you must diligently observe, so that you may live and increase and go in and occupy the land that the LORD promised on oath to your ancestors. **2** Remember the long way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, in order to humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep his commandments. **3** He humbled you by letting you hunger, then by feeding you with manna, with which neither you nor your ancestors were acquainted, in order to make you understand that one does not live by bread alone but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD. **4** The clothes on your back did not wear out, and your feet did not swell these forty years. **5** Know, then, in your heart that, as a parent disciplines a child, so the LORD your God disciplines you. **6** Therefore keep the commandments of the LORD your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. **7** For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, **8** a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive oil and honey, **9** a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. **10** You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you.

R The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

HYMN

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

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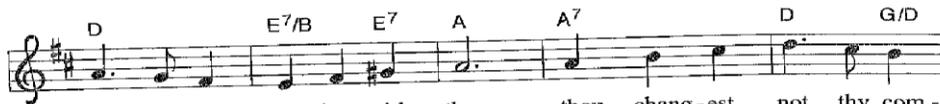
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Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no
 2 Sum-mer and win-ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and
 3 Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, thine own dear



shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com-
 stars in their cours-es a-bove join with all na-ture in
 pres-ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to-day and bright



pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for-ev-er wilt be.
 man-i-fold wit-ness to thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy, and love.
 hope for to-mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!

Refrain



Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by



morn-ing new mer-cies I see; all I have need-ed thy



hand hath pro-vid-ed; great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me.



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FAITHFULNESS
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Blessed Assurance

1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,

Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.
 an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.
 watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

Refrain

This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:

this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

PSALM 65

(we will read responsively)

R Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion, and to you shall vows be performed, **C** ²
O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.

R ³ When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.

C ⁴ **Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.**

R ⁵ By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

C ⁶ **By your^[a] strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might.**

R ⁷ You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples.

C ⁸ **Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.**

R ⁹ You visit the earth and water it; you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

C ¹⁰ **You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.**

R ¹¹ You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

C ¹² **The pastures of the wilderness overflow; the hills gird themselves with joy;**

R ¹³ the meadows clothe themselves with flocks; the valleys deck themselves with grain; they shout and sing together for joy.

HYMN "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

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693 **Come, Ye Thankful People, Come**

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 un-to his praise to yield;
3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his har-vest home;
4 E-ven so, Lord, quick-ly come to thy fi-nal har-vest home.

All be 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 his field shall in that day all of-fens-es purge a-way;
Gath-er then 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 his an-gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
there, for-ev-er pu-ri-fied, in thy gar-ner 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 his gar-ner ev-er more.
Come, with all thine an-gels, come, raise the glo-rious har-vest home!

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Faith of Our Fathers

1 Faith of our fa - thers, liv - ing still in spite of dun - geon,
 2 The mar - tyrs, chained in pris - ons dark, were still in heart and
 3 Faith of our fa - thers! We will love both friend and foe in

fire, and sword. Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy
 con - science free; and blest would be their chil - dren's fate
 all our strife; pro - claim thee too, as love knows how,

Refrain

when - e'er we hear that glo - rious word.
 if they, like them, should die for thee. Faith of our fa - thers,
 by sav - ing word and faith - ful life.

ho - ly faith, we will be true to thee till death.

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:6-20

⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about^[a] these things. ⁹ As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰ I rejoice^[b] in the Lord greatly that now at last you have revived your concern for me; indeed, you were concerned for me but had no opportunity to show it.^[c]

¹¹ Not that I am referring to being in need, for I have learned to be content with whatever I have. ¹² I know what it is to have little, and I know what it is to have plenty. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being well-fed and of going hungry, of having plenty and of being in need. ¹³ I can do all things through him who strengthens me. ¹⁴ In any case, it was kind of you to share my distress.

¹⁵ You Philippians indeed know that in the early days of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving except you alone. ¹⁶ For even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me help for my needs more than once. ¹⁷ Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the profit^[d] that accumulates to your account. ¹⁸ I have been paid in full and have more than enough; I am fully satisfied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. ¹⁹ And my God will fully satisfy every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. ²⁰ To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound 779

1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found; was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

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For the Beauty of the Earth



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;




for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
 hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:



Refrain



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.



GOSPEL

Luke 17: 11-19

Jesus tells us that he is the bread of life and that faith in him will lead to eternal life.

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus^[a] was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten lepers^[b] approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus^[c] feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸ Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

TEACHING

Vicar Jerry Randby

Now Thank We All Our God

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1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voi - es,
 2 Oh, may this boun-teous God through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God the Fa-ther now be giv-en,

who won-drous things has done, in whom this world re-joic-es;
 with ev-er joy-ful hearts and bless-ed peace to cheer us,
 the Son, and Spir-it blest, who reign in high-est heav-en,

who, from our moth-ers' arms, has blest us on our way
 and keep us all in grace, and guide us when per-plexed,
 the one e-ter-nal God, whom earth and heav'n a-dore;

with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all harm, in this world and the next.
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev-er-more.

Jesus Loves Me!

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1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
 2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
 3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;

lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.
 he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
 when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

Refrain

Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,

yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

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 Music: William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868

JESUS LOVES ME
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Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all
5. creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'n -
9. ly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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How Great Thou Art

Capo 1: A
B \flat

1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der con-sid-er
2 When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der, I hear the
3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar-ing, sent him to
4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac-cla-ma-tion, and take me

A/E
B \flat /F

A
B \flat

D
E \flat

all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y
birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft-y moun-tain
die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur-den glad-ly
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad-o-

A/E
B \flat /F

A
B \flat

thun-der, thy pow'r through-out the u-ni-verse dis-played;
gran-deur and hear the brook and feel the gen-tle breeze;
bear-ing he bled and died to take a-way my sin;
ra-tion and there pro-claim, "My God, how great thou art!"

Refrain

D
E \flat

A
B \flat

Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to thee, how great thou

E
F

A
B \flat

D
E \flat

art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to

A
B \flat

Bm/D
Cm/E \flat

E \flat
F

A
B \flat

thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

BENEDICTION

P The church is surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. May you find strength and courage in their presence.

C Amen.

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace and be thankful for all that God has done.

C Thanks be to God.

Announcements

Thanksgiving Meal **Tomorrow, November 27th, 12pm,** Fellowship Hall.

Christmas Bazaar: Our Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale is ***December 6th from 8 am-12 pm.*** We hope you will find time to visit the Fellowship Hall as it will be filled with creative, new crafts and delicious bake goods. A time to buy a special gift for a friend or neighbor or find a small Christmas tree or wreath that will fit right in with your RV/Park Model lifestyle

Baked goods will be accepted on Thursday and Friday, December 4/5th from 8 am-12 pm. Proceeds from the Bazaar are used to improve the kitchen in Fellowship Hall.

REMINDERS

Service

Monthly Potluck: The 1st Sunday is our monthly Potluck following the 10:15 worship. Mark your calendar, bring your favorite dish to share and join us for fellowship and food.

Food Pantry: 1st Sunday of each month we collect food for the local Food Pantry. When doing your shopping consider picking up a couple of items to bring and donate.

Men's Breakfast the 1st Saturday of each month, 8 am at **Daybreakers**. All gentlemen of the congregation are invited to come.

Women's Breakfast Club 1st Saturday of each month, 8 am at Izzy's on Foothills Blvd. All ladies of the congregation are welcome to attend.

Days for Girls: will meet the 2nd & 4th Saturday's of each month @ 9 am in Fellowship Hall. Come join us for fellowship and fun

GriefShare: Every Sunday at 12:15 pm in the Fellowship Classroom.

Reading and Learning

Monday's Bible Study: 1 pm in Fellowship Classroom

Coffee With Jesus: Tuesday's, 9 am in Fellowship Hall

Old Testament Bible Study: Thursday's @ 4 pm in Fellowship Hall.

Prayer Fellowship: will resume in January, 2026

Fun and Fellowship

Line Dance Exercise: every Wednesday in Fellowship Hall. Teaching at 9 am and Dancing at 9:30 am.

Chair Aerobics : Classes are held every Wednesday at 1 pm in Fellowship Hall. A donation of \$5/session is appreciated to offset the cost of the instructor. Everyone is welcome.

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