

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude	Tyler Byford
Welcome and Announcements	Dr. Karl Kling
*Call to Worship	Elder Jennifer Quillen

O sing to the LORD a new song;

Bless God's name and tell of God's salvation from day to day.

Declare God's glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.

For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised!

Let us worship God!

*Hymn of Praise	Come Christians, Join to Sing	#267
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MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

*Call to Confession	Jennifer Quillen
(adapted from Exodus 33:19)	

The Lord says: I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. Let us now confess our sin, trusting ourselves to God's compassion.

*Prayer of Confession	Unison
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Our Gracious God, you love us, but we often stray from your way. We focus on our own desires and neglect the needs of others. We are quick to blame others and slow to recognize our own faults. Forgive our sin and help us to live the new life that Christ gives us. We pray this in Jesus' name, Amen.

* Kyrie Eleison	Unison
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Three staves of musical notation in G major, 6/8 time. The lyrics are: "You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy! You are the Christ, giv-er of mer-cy! You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!" Chords are indicated below the notes: Am, D, C, D, Em, C, Em, Em, D, G, Am, Em, D, E.

*Assurance of Pardon	Dr. Kling
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The Lord promises that Christ, who was without sin, carried our sin on himself. God covers us with Christ's righteousness. Receive the good news of God's mercy. In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

* The Gloria Patri	Unison
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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end; Amen.

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

"This Little Light of Mine"	
Time with Young Disciples	Dr. Kling

Prayer for Illumination	Jennifer Quillen
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Loving God, open our hearts, prepare our lives, and lead our congregation to live out the compassion inspired by our Lord. We pray this in Jesus' name, Amen.

First Reading	John 10: 9-11	Jennifer Quillen
	p. 1,062	

Anthem	Tyler Byford
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Second Reading	2 Corinthians 8:1-7	Dr. Kling
	p. 1,146	

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon	"Abundant Generosity"	Dr. Kling
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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

*Hymn of Discipleship	Just a Closer Walk With Thee	#835
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* Affirmation of Faith	Unison
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The 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; 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.

Prayers of The People	Dr. Kling
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The Lord's Prayer	Unison
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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.

Invitation to Worship God with Our Offering

Offertory	Tyler Byford
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*Doxology

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	Dr. Kling
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*Hymn of Sending	Take My Life	#697
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*Charge and Benediction

Wherever we go, God has sent us; Wherever we are, God has put us there; God has a purpose in our being there; there is something that God wants to do through us. Wherever we are!

As God's people we all say,
Alleluia, Amen!

* Postlude	Tyler Byford
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**Stand if you are able*

PRAYER REQUESTS

CHURCH FAMILY

Doris Welch (Home) Suzanne Weeks (Healing)
Dean Steele Stephen Toney (Home)
Susie Fogg (Home) Jac Catlett
Sharon Massey Diane Lynn (Health)
Melvin & Ruth Clem (Health) Gale Cottles (Healing)
Debbi O'Neill (Healing) Christy Arnett (Healing)
Marv & Elizabeth Price (Health) Ken (Healing) and Connie Brown
Larry and Cynthia Ugarte` (Healing)

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Brandon Noel - Army Sean Miller - Army
Adam Naves - Marines Damien Williams - Army
Kevin O'Neill-Army Nat. Guard Michael Ress - USAF -AZ
Joshua Hargrove - Deployed Jay Tulley- Middle East
Justin Ruf- Army Air Guard

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Bob Defour (Doyle & Suzanne Weeks son-in-law)
Brent Harris (Friend of Chris Hilgeman)
Larry Harris, (Healing, friend of Chris Hilgeman
Sue Guyer (Health & Healing, Bonny Noel's sister)
Gerry & Denzil Smith (Healing) cousin of Jan Ruth)
Alex Noel (Nephew of John & Bonny Noel)
Bill Grisham (Health, Pam Gregg's dad)
Hazel Ruf (Mason Ruf's mother, home)
Gary Kilgo (Health, Kay Baugher & Carol Quillen's family member)
Karen Ferguson (Potter's Hand)
Sherry Thompson (Healing, sister of Christy Arnett)
Keith Clem (Healing, cousin of Chris Paysinger)
Silvana Smith (Loss of Spouse cousins of Jan Ruth)
Amy Cotten (Potter's Hand)
John Cotten (Healing, Potter's Hand)
Telula Thornton (Healing and Comfort, mother of Karan Baker)
Maggie Ruth Naves (Healing, great granddaughter of Hazel White)
Robert Jones (Healing, friend of Jan Ruth)
Phyllis Ramshur (Health, mother- in - law of Sean Harbin)
Mike Frehner (Support, friend of David Lyle)
Dawn (Healing, mother of Brittney Hicks)
Cindy Newman (Healing, cousin of Chris Hilgeman)
Jesse Saunders (Healing, friend of Jan Ruth)
Rick Monroe (Healing, friend of Jan Ruth)

FOR OUR VISITORS:

We welcome you to worship and would love to connect. Prayer Request/Visitor cards are located in the pews. Please place it with the offering or give it to the pastor following the service. Thank you for worshipping with us today!

The Session

<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Courtney Greene	Karan Baker	Cindy Witt
Don Payne	Gary Boyd	Stephen Ware
Jerry Witt	Stanley Hand	Tom Clem

Trustees

Larry Burlingame	John Noel	Price Boyd
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Worship Leaders

Sermon

Dr. Karl Kling

Liturgist

Elder Jennifer Quillen

Musicians:

Tyler Byford

Church Nursery:

October 20th- Suzanne Paysinger
October 27th-Jennifer Quillen

Liturgist

October 20th- Karla Barnes
October 27th- Karan Baker

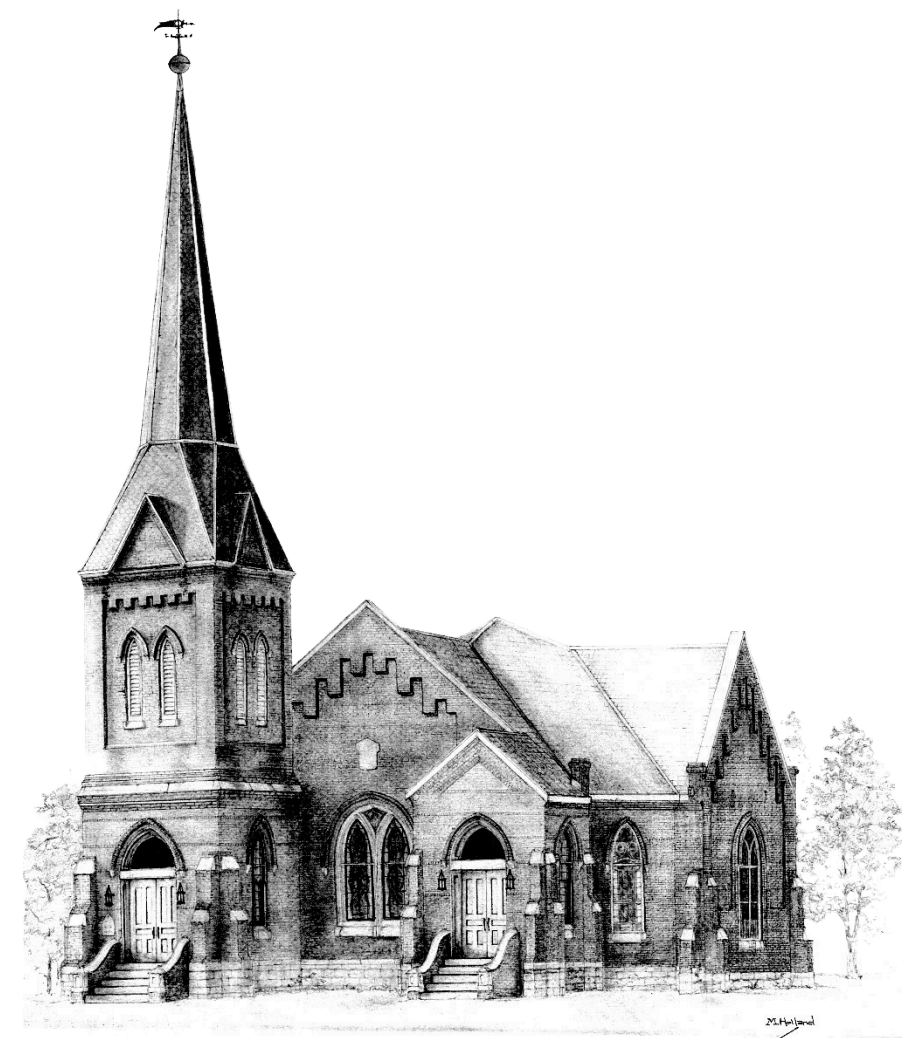
Communion Prep:

November 3rd - Karan Baker

Prayer Family

DeAnna and Tim McNeil
DeAnna is an Elder Elect for the Class of 2027
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October 13th, 2024
21st Sunday after Pentecost



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