#### **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

Prelude Dr. Mary Crowell

Welcome and Announcements Dr. Karl Kling

\* Call to Worship Katherine Greene

The Lord walks with us in every situation.

Each day is filled with God's good gifts.

God's Spirit leads us to joyfully serve in Christ's name.

Jesus, the Good Shepherd surrounds us with never-failing care.

Let us worship God.

\*Hymn of Praise Come Sing, O Church, In Joy! # 305

\*Call to Confession Katherine Greene

God's love never changes. The Lord is always ready to hear about our failures. Let us confess our sin to God.

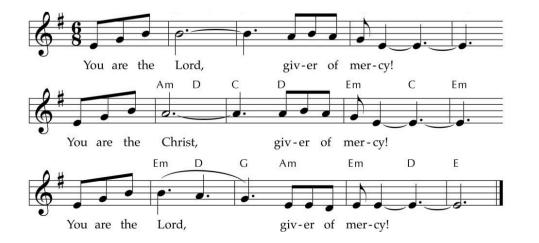
\* Prayer of Confession

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Our Merciful God, we frequently fail to recognize your miraculous care. We overlook your daily answers to prayer. You give us what we need and we wish for more. Please forgive our selfishness. Through your Spirit, help us to pay more attention to the needs in our community. We pray this in Jesus' name, Amen.

\* Kyrie Eleison



\*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, God sent Christ into the world to bring healing and salvation for all people. Receive God's grace and share the Good News of God's peace. In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

**PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!** 

\* The Gloria Patri

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Dr. Kling

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.

\* Sharing the Peace of Christ

Dr. Kling

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 of Illumination

Katherine Greene

Dear Lord, you are the way, the truth, and the life. Please open our hearts to hear your Word and obey your call. We pray this in Jesus' name, Amen.

First Reading

Jeremiah 8:20-22

Katherine Greene

p. 757

Anthem

Second Reading

Revelation 21: 1-7 p. 1,208

Dr. Kling

Leader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

All:

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Response

"All Things New"

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE**

\*Hymn of Discipleship

There Is a Balm in Gilead

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Dr. Kling

\* Affirmation of Faith

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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

\*The Lord's Prayer

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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

\*Doxology

Dr. Mary Crowell

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

\*Hymn of Sending

O For a World

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Dr. Kling

\*Charge

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!

\*Benediction

As God's people we all say,

Alleluia, Amen!

\* Postlude

Dr. Mary Crowell

\*Stand if you are able

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

#### **CHURCH FAMILY**

Marv & Elizabeth Price (Health)
Larry and Cynthia Ugarte` (Healing)
Doris Welch (Home)
Dean Steele
Susie Fogg (Home)
Sharon Massey
Melvin & Ruth Clem (Health)

Debbi O'Neill (Healing)

Duane Counter (Health & Healing)
Suzanne Weeks (Healing)
Stephen Toney (Home)
Jac Catlett
Diane Lynn (Health)
Gale Cottles (Healing)
Christy Arnett (Healing)
Ken (Healing) and Connie Brown

#### **THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY**

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

#### **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 Smith(loss of Spouse 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) 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)

Candee & Blair Berger (Loss of a spouse & father damage from the hurricanes, friend of Jan Ruth) Martha Taylor(Healing, mother of John Cagle)

## **FOR OUR VISITORS:**

We welcome you to worship and would love to connect with you personally. 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 worshiping with us today!

### The Session

Class of 2024
Courtney Greene
Don Payne
Jerry Witt

Class of 2025
Karan Baker
Gary Boyd
Stanley Hand
Trustees

Class of 2026 Cindy Witt Stephen Ware Tom Clem

Larry Burlingame John Noel

Price Boyd

<u>PNC</u>

Hal Baker *Vicki Kellogg*  Karla Barnes John Noel (Chair) Stanley Hand Libby Shindorf Randi Harbin

November 24th- Jennifer Quillen

December 1st- Courtney Greene

**Today's Services:** 

Sermon

Dr. Karl Kling

Katherine Greene

**Musicians:** 

Dr. Mary Crowell

**Volunteers:** 

**Liturgist:** 

**Church Nursery:** 

Erica Hand

**Emily Clem** 

Liturgist

#### <u>Staff</u>

#### **Transitional Pastor:**

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#### **Office Administrator:**

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## **Treasurers:**

Julie McNeese

#### **Choir Director:**

Erica Hand **Nursery:** 

Alice Whitt

## <u>Communion Prep:</u>

December 1st-Stanley Hand

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## **Flowers**

The flowers are given to the glory of God.

To sign up for

flowers call the

church office.



Prayer Family

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# November 17, 2024 26th Sunday of Pentecost



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