

**Morning Worship**  
**November 15, 2009**  
**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Coming Together in Christ**

10:55 AM MEDITATION (Please pause in quiet preparation for worship.)

11:00 AM CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE *Now Thank We All Our God* Georg Kaufman

INTROIT *Hallelujah* “Hine ma tov”  
How good it is for all the people here to give thanks together. Hallelujah!

**Entering God's Presence**

THE CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 91: 14, 15-16

Leader: Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.

**People: When they call me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.**

\* HYMN OF PRAISE #470 *O Day of Radiant Gladness* “Es Flog Ein Kleins Waldvögelein”

THE PRAYER OF APPROACH

SILENCE

AMEN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**We are fearful folk, and we dwell in the midst of a fearful people, fearful of our world falling apart, in terror and moral decay, fearful of too many “dangers, toils, and snares”. Fearful of not doing well, of being found out, of being left out, of being abandoned, of our own shadow. And then we hear, astonishingly in the midst of our fearfulness, your almighty, “DO NOT FEAR”. Do not fear, I am with you, with you in wealth and in poverty, with you in success and in failure, with you for better or for worse. We hear, we trust, we receive your comfort and are made new.**  
*—Walter Bruggemann*

KYRIE ELEISON (Congregation & Choir)

**#65, Lift Up Your Hearts**

**Kind and merciful God, we have sinned in your sight  
we have all wandered far from your way; we have followed desire,  
we have failed to aspire to the virtue we ought to display.**

THE DECLARATION OF PARDON

John Dillon

\* THE RESPONSE IN PRAISE

#28, Lift Up Your Hearts

**Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!**  
**Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah!** (repeat)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Hearing God's Word

TIME FOR CHILDREN

\* SONG

*How Can I Keep from Singing?*

#34, Lift Up Your Hearts

FIRST LESSON

1 Samuel 17: 38-47

Pew Bible p. 250

SECOND LESSON

Mark 13: 1-8

Pew Bible p. 47

THE ANTHEM

*Now Thank We All & Praise to the Lord*

Arr. Willard Palmer

Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices, Who wondrous things hath done, In whom my heart rejoices; Who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love and still is ours today.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, the Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven: The one eternal God whom earth and heav'n adore! For thus is was, is now, and shall be ever more!

Praise to the Lord, Oh, let all that is in me adore Him! All that hath life and breath come now with praises before Him! Let the Amen sound from His people again; Gladly for aye we adore Him. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation!

THE SERMON

"Between Good Friday and Easter is Saturday"

Rev. John Dillon

## Our Response to God's Love

\* THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, 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 AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

WORSHIPPING THE LORD THROUGH OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Thanks Be To Thee*  
The JoyBells

G.F. Handel  
arr. Gerry Luethi

\* THE DOXOLOGY

#592 The Hymnal

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

\* THE HYMN OF PARTING #556

*The World Abounds with God's Free Grace*

"Halifax"

\* SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you.  
**People: And also with you.**

\* SUNG BENEDICTION *God Be With You Till We Meet Again* "Randolph"

(We will not be holding hands during flu season)

**God be with you till we meet again;  
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
With a shepherd's care enfold you:  
God be with you till we meet again.**

## **Going Forth in God's Love**

\* THE POSTLUDE

"Abbot's Leigh"

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\* Those who wish to do so are invited to stand

## Music Notes

The music for this morning's worship service reflects the themes of thanks and love.

The Prelude, Introit, Anthem and Postlude are based on our seasonal theme of thanksgiving to God for our bountiful blessings. The Introit is a two-part round, one part singing only Hallelujah (Praise God) while the second part is a translation of the Hebrew text Hine Ma Tov (How good it is to give thanks). The Anthem is a quodlibet, A Latin word literally meaning "what pleases you." In the musical world, it has come to represent a medley of two distinct tunes paired together. In our instance this morning, Willard Palmer has taken two hymns of thanks, *Nun Danket* and *Lobe den Herren*, and has given a three-part arrangement to the women of *Nun Danket* and a strong unison arrangement to the men of *Lobe den Herren*, creating a strong anthem of thanks and praise.

We welcome The JoyBells as they ring in the Thanksgiving season.



**THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON** is almost here! On **Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>** from **10 am to 2 pm** we will have our S.O.S. Mission Fair in the Fellowship Hall. Visit displays from 10 local non-profits, learn about our overseas mission projects and donate to any of these organizations in honor or memory of a loved one. Free notification cards for your gifts will be available. You can also purchase items from Ten Thousand Villages or stunning olive wood carvings from Bethlehem. And, don't forget to stop by the GAFOSAC table and grab a bite to eat. Bring your family and friends to this exciting event!

## About the Affirmation of Faith

The PC (USA) Book of Confessions is a collection of Confessions from the church in many ages and many different situations. Therefore, its expressions of faith cover a multitude of theological opinions, many of which are obviously influenced by who participated in their preparation and the times and customs of their era. While not necessarily agreeing with every statement precisely, our Ministers, Elders, and Deacons swear to be guided by its principles and truths. We select a passage from one of these Confessions each month to experience and explore the breadth and depth of our heritage.

Continuing our exploration of the Confessions, in November we will be using the Apostles' Creed.

Although not written by the apostles, the Apostles' Creed reflects the theological formulations of the first century church. The creed's structure may be based on Jesus' command to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. In a time when most Christians were illiterate, oral repetition of the Apostles' Creed, along with the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, helped preserve and further transmit the faith of the western churches.

## Statement of Purpose

Our Church exists to worship God and proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Spirit, we shall serve God's Kingdom by loving our neighbors and promoting peacemaking, justice and care of the earth.

## Statement of Vision

We embrace open and progressive theology. Through education, training, worship and Session leadership we will realize our vision both individually and in community. We will be open to new ideas and programs while staying true to our beliefs and traditions. We will commit our personal and corporate resources to embody our Statement of Purpose. We will live our lives responsibly with honesty and integrity.

## This Morning's Worship Leaders

Preacher .....	John Dillon
Liturgist .....	Charlene Lelinski
Organist.....	Judith Brown
Special Music.....	The JoyBells
Acolyte .....	Ben Fiscus
Time for Children .....	Melanie Ogu
Child Care.....	Janie Schlottmann, Jessie Gates
Greeter .....	Sue Scott
Ushers .....	Meredith & Jeremy Irons

## What's Happening This Week:



### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER (15)

#### December Newsletter Articles Due

9:15 AM	Children's Choir Rehearsal
9:45 AM	Sunday School for All Ages
10:15 AM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
11:00 AM	Worship Service, 33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time JoyBells Playing, On the Air WCBC
12:00 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
5:00 PM	Soccer Banquet in Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM	GAFOSAC Dinner & a Movie

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER (16)

9:00 AM	Church Office Open
9:00 AM	Learning Tree Preschool
12:00 Noon	Highlanders Lunch at Holiday Inn
5:30 PM	Congregational Care Mtg. in Parlor
7:00 PM	Choral Society Rehearsal

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER (17)

9:00 AM	Church Office Open
9:00 AM	Learning Tree Preschool
6:30 PM	Pee Wee Basketball Practice at Westside School

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER (18)

9:00 AM	Church Office Open
9:00 AM	Learning Tree Preschool
10:00 AM	Staff Meeting
6:15 PM	JoyBells Rehearsal
6:30 PM	Pee Wee Basketball Practice at Cresaptown
7:30 PM	Jr. High Basketball Practice at Cresaptown
7:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER (19)

9:00 AM	Church Office Open
9:00 AM	Learning Tree Preschool
1:00 PM	Presbytery Mtg. at Woods Memorial Church

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER (20)

9:00 AM	Church Office Open
9:00 AM	Learning Tree Preschool

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER (22)

#### Turkeys Collected for the Union Rescue Mission

9:15 AM	Children's Choir Rehearsal
9:45 AM	Sunday School for All Ages
10:15 AM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
11:00 AM	Worship Service, Christ the King Sunday On the Air WCBC
12:00 PM	Food Scavenger Hunt