



CHRIST
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Welcome to Worship

November 24, 2024

Gathering Song: For the Beauty of the Earth (page 6)

† **Call to Worship** (From Psalm 146)

Pastor: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

People: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble.

Pastor: For he satisfies the longing soul and the hungry soul he fills with good things.

People: Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, and for his wondrous works to the children of man!

Unison: And let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and tell of his deeds in songs of joy.

† **Let All Things Now Living** (pages 8-9)

† **Invocation and the Lord's Prayer**

† Standing as you are able

First Scripture Readings

Reader: Caroline Milam

Psalm 34:1-10 Responsive

- ¹ I will extol the LORD at all times;
his praise will always be on my lips.
- ² I will glory in the LORD;
let the afflicted hear and rejoice.
- ³ Glorify the LORD with me;
let us exalt his name together.
- ⁴ **I sought the LORD, and he answered me;
he delivered me from all my fears.**
- ⁵ **Those who look to him are radiant;
their faces are never covered with shame.**
- ⁶ This poor man called, and the LORD heard him;
he saved him out of all his troubles.
- ⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him,
and he delivers them.
- ⁸ **Taste and see that the LORD is good;
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.**
- ⁹ **Fear the LORD, you his holy people,
for those who fear him lack nothing.**
- ¹⁰ **The lions may grow weak and hungry,
but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.**

Ephesians 5:1-10, 18-20

- ¹ Follow God's example therefore, as dearly loved children, and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.
- ³ **But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people.** ⁴ **Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving.**
- ⁵ For of this you can be sure: No immoral, impure or greedy person—such a person is an idolater—has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. ⁶ Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of such things God's wrath comes on those who are disobedient
- ⁷ Therefore do not be partners with them.

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⁸ But you were once darkness but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) ¹⁰ and find out what pleases the Lord.

¹⁸**Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit,**
¹⁹**speaking to one another in psalms, hymns and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make melody in your heart to the Lord,** ²⁰**always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gloria Patri

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, Amen.

† **Hymn: This is my Father's World (page 7)**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: "Now Thank We All Our God"

Arr. Yuta Sugano

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Second Scripture Readings

Hebrews 13:14–16 Responsive

¹⁴For here we do not have an enduring city, but are looking for the city that is to come.

¹⁵Through Jesus therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifice God is pleased.

Luke 17:11-19 Responsive

¹¹Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, “Jesus, Master, have pity on us,!”

When he saw them, he said, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were cleansed.

One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

Jesus asked, “Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Rise and go; your faith has made you well.”

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: Where Are the Other Nine?

Dr. James N McGuire

Pastoral Prayer

† Hymn: Listen to My Cry, Lord (page 10)

Responsive Litany (Colossians 1:9b-14)

Pastor: We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives,

People: so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way; bearing fruit in every good work m growing in the knowledge of God,

Pastor: being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you might have great endurance and patience,

People: and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light.

Unison: For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Benediction

Welcome, Announcement and Prayers

Christmas Tea, December 14

Ladies, mark your calendar! We are

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Our Ladies' Advent Tea

Put it on your calendar for

December 14, 2-4 PM

Speaker: Sylvia Smith

Enjoy the
Christmas Boutique to benefit
W.A.R.

An international ministry
To women at risk.

SAVE THE DATE!

Invite a Friend

To Our Visitors

We welcome you and hope our worship enables you to draw near to God through Christ Jesus, and that you feel welcome among us. Please sign our guest book in the Narthex.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Prayer needs

Brenda, for her health (kidney)
Jenn, for encouragement
Jean, friend of Cheri, breast cancer
Pastor Scott McKee
Leona, 6th grader, for confidence
Elder Jack E, severe vision problems
Senie E, severe pain in back
Our children, who are learning about
Jesus at home and in Sunday School
Claudine Sordyl's uncle, Richard
Sister of Sue Dial
Diane Carr, grief, questions of future
Justin, with new employment
For Ellen Dorman's son, recent surgery
For Bert Schwab, eye problems
Patti B's friend Patricia, brain cancer
Trevor, for a good job.

Prayer need

Benita, tests for recurrence of blood disease
Carolyn Krueger, hospice care
Bunny, for continued strength
Pray for our military as they serve in dangerous places
Joshua, Son-in-law of Johnsons, in the Navy, his ship
has deployed to the Red Sea
Sue Work, for continued improvement
Lisa, Pastor's niece, multiple cancers
Johnny, injury in a fall, not doing well, and wife, Betty
Emilee for a job, and for several family members' health
Lila's husband, David, for mercies in hospice care.
Diane, friend of Cheri, fall with injury
Pam's father, Nathan, in pain,
Sean, laid off, needs job.
Friend of Bruce's co-worker, Elaine, stage 3 ovarian cancer
Kevin, laid off, has new job, involves move back to MI
Pray for those who are grieving the loss of loved ones

Thank you for your faithful giving.

Giving for November 17: \$2,832

November giving to date: \$13,828

**Pray for the continued work of Central Detroit Christian,
effectively ministering to people in the inner city of Detroit.
Pray for the children and teen ministries and for growth in
family ministry, as well. Pray for Lisa, serving her 30th year.**

Heidelberg Catechism. Q 49. How does Christ's ascension into heaven benefit us? **A.** First, he pleads our cause in heaven in the presence of his Father. Second, we have our own flesh in heaven—a guarantee that Christ our head will take us, his members, to himself in heaven. Third, he send his Spirit to us on earth as a further guarantee. By the Spirit's power we make the goal of our lives, not earthly things, but the things above where Christ is, at God's right hand.