

# WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 13, 2022

11:00 a.m.

#### **GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

Prelude "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" arr. by Molly Ijames All Your works with joy surround You, earth and heaven reflect Your rays, Stars and angels sing around You, center of unbroken praise.

Welcome and Announcements (During this time the friendship pads are passed to be signed.)

Choral Call to Worship **"Rain Down"** Jaime Cortez Rain down; rain down; rain down your love on your people. Rain down; rain down; rain down your love, God of life.

Opening SentencesElder Joyce AngeLeader: O sing to the Lord a new song,All: for he has done marvelous things.All: for he has done marvelous things.Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;All: break forth into joyous song and sing praises.Leader: The Creator has done marvelous things.All: Let us sing a new song!Leader: Let all the earth join the choir.All: Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord our God!Elder God!

\*Hymn #611 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" нү

HYMN TO JOY

"Joy is what comes to us when we are walking in the way of faith and obedience." Eugene Peterson, A Long Obedience in the Same Direction: Discipleship in an Instant Society \*Unison Prayer of Confession

Eternal and merciful God, out of an abundance of love you created all the earth. Through your grace you fashioned us in your very image. Your works in our lives are mighty and marvelous. Yet sin blinds us to the fullness of your glory in our lives. We worry and we stress. We make it all about us. We forget to bless you and give you thanks. We often do not think of you as we make our plans for the

future. Help us to remember at all times we are disciples of Jesus. You alone are Lord of our lives. You judge us mercifully and y you shower us with grace. We give you thanks. Lord, hear our prayers . . .

(A time for silent prayers of confession . . .)

The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

"Praise is the mode of love which always has some element of joy in it." C.S. Lewis, A Grief Observed "For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning." Psalm 30:5 \*Responsive Assurance of Pardon Leader: Grace to you and peace from God. Grace to you and peace from Jesus Christ.

All: The Lord Jesus Christ gave himself for our sins to set us free from evil.

Leader: This is the will of our God, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Patri Glory Be to the Father 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.

#### PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your Word; and give us grace that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Malcolm: Chiefly on Prayer	Sermon	"Joy to the World!"	Dr. Philip K. Gladden
C.S.Lewis, Letters to	Old Testament Lesson	Psalm 98	
"Joy is the serious business of heaven."	Epistle Lesson	Philippians 4:4-7	Elder Joyce Ange

A Time for Silent Reflection

Pastoral Prayer with 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 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.



## **GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

"Joy is the simplest form of gratitude." Karl Barth, 20<sup>th</sup> century Swiss Calvinist theologian

#### Offertory Anthem

"Joy on the Mountain"

Pepper Choplin, 2013

Let there be joy on the mountain, singing in the valley Join the holy hosts of angels shouting, "Christ the Lord is born." Shepherds on the hillside, watching all their sheep, Everyone is weary, but there will be no sleep. Angels down from heaven bring the news to earth: A child is born now celebrate His birth. When the shepherds heard the angels, they went into town. They followed their directions and when the child was found, They were so happy when they had seen the boy, They went out a-shouting for joy. Glory to God, peace on the earth. Christ the Lord is born! Lift up your voice and sing for joy. Now Christ is born. Let there be glory to God, let there be joy!

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication 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.

Affirmation **Faih** 

\*The Affirmation of Faith: 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 guick 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. "Joy to the World" \*Hymn #134 ANTIOCH \*Benediction \*Choral Benediction "Amen" arr. by Nelsie Johnson Amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen. \*Postlude \*All who are able may stand.

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

	Sunday, November 13	9:30 am	Alternative Sunday School Class, Room 304 & via Zoom			
7		10:00 am	Sunday School Classes			
dy		11:00 am	Worship in person and live stream			
EP		12:00 pm	Children's Fellowship Activity,			
4		-	"Getting Ready for Advent". Lunch,			
ents			Music & Devotion, crafts to decorate			
			for Advent & Christmas.			
	Monday, November 14	7:00 pm	Bible Study, via Zoom			
	Tuesday, November 15	5:30 pm	PW Coordinating Team Meeting, Blue			
	Room					
		7:00 pm	Session Meeting, Room 304			
	Wednesday, November 9	10:00 am	Bible Study, Room 304 & via Zoom			
		6:30 pm	Handbells Practice			
r 13		7:00 pm	Choir Practice			
	Saturday, November 19	4:00 pm	Christmas at Twilight on Main Street			
		6:30 pm	Handbell Choir & Chancel Choir			
			Perform at Christmas at Twilight			

### NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* **Please join** the minister for our weekly Bible Study on Monday night, November 14 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. via Zoom or Wednesday morning, November 16 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in Room 304 or via Zoom. This week, in preparation for Christ the King Sunday on November 20, we will read and talk about the meaning of John 18:33-40 in which Jesus tells Pilate, "My kingdom is not from this world." Won't you join us in God's Word? Check your email on Monday for the Zoom links.

\* **The session** will meet on Tuesday, November 15 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 304. If you have any business or concerns for the session to consider, please speak to one of the elders or the minister.

\* **The session** has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, November 20 immediately following worship. The purpose of the meeting is to hear a report from the 2022 Nominating Committee, elect three Ruling Elders to the Class of 2025, act on proposed changes in the minister's terms of call, and hold the annual meeting of the corporation.

\* We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Saturday, November 26 at 10:00 am. Please come be a part of this festive time. Any questions, call Joyce Ange 910-599-5156.



The floral arrangement today is given in loving memory of Jim Hall on his birthday (November 11), by Tut and family.

Christmas at Twilight on Main Street, Saturday, November 19 Our Attie Carlton Handbell Choir will play and Chancel Choir will sing carols at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Clock by the railroad tracks.



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Dan Robinson Freddy Hall John Ludlum

Opening Church Building November 1-15: Jim Simpson

Children's Church 11/13: Casey Hall