

Worship Service on November 26, 2023

Welcome and Announcements ~ Alvie McKinstry

Monday ~ Judy Koch would love you to come at 9 am to help with the annual hanging of the greens in the church sanctuary.

Tuesday ~ We will be having Prayer Group at 7 pm via zoom and also discuss chapter 2 in *When God Comes Down*.

Wednesday ~ Women Who Pray will meet at the Sommons' home at 2 pm to discuss Rachel and Leah.
~ There will be a By-Laws Committee Meeting at 5 pm at church.
~ At 7 pm, the people working on Church Building Preservation will meet at the church.

Thursday ~ Choir Practice at 7 pm.

Looking Ahead ~ We are the church supplying volunteers to the Community Food Cupboard in the month of December. The days and times are Wednesdays - 6, 13, 20 from 2-4 pm Thursdays - 7, 14, 21 from 10-12 am and 2-4 pm. Please, call Lindy at 802-379-1921 or email her at ljmylott@gmail.com if you can help.

Happy Birthday Kay Keith today!

The flowers this morning are given by Alvie and Zilda McKinstry in loving memory of Alvie's mother, Janet McKinstry.



Word of Preparation ~ Alvie McKinstry

Prelude ~ Please prepare your hearts for worship as you listen to a song called ***"There is Another in the Fire."***

Call to Worship ~ Psalm 9:1-2 and Ephesians 5:19-20 (NIV)

read by Alvie McKinstry. Please join in reading the bold lines.

¹ I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart;

I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

² I will be glad and rejoice in you;

I will sing the praises of your name, O Most High.

¹⁹ Speaking to one another

with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit.

Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord,

²⁰ always giving thanks to God the Father for everything,

in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Song ~

"Your Name"

Humbly to the earth You came. Born into this world to save

God with us Emmanuel. Now we adore Your Name

Chorus

Your Name is a strong and mighty tower

Your Name is a shelter like no other

Your Name let the nations sing it louder

For nothing has the power to save

(But Your Name)

Jesus in Your Name we pray. Come and fill our hearts today

Lord give us strength to live for You and glorify Your Name

Chorus

Wonderful Counselor Prince of Peace

Chorus (two times)

God with us Emmanuel, God with us Emmanuel

God with us Emmanuel, now we adore Your Name

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Praying Together ~

**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**

Thanksgiving Video

Song ~ “Give Thanks” (#528 in the blue hymnal)

*Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son
And now let the weak say I am strong
Let the poor say I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us
[repeat all]
Give thanks*

Words and Music ~ Henry Smith, 1978 | Integrity's Hosanna! Music

Introducing the Sermon ~ Rev. Rebecca Sommons

Scripture Text ~ Colossians 3:15-17 (NLT) read by Alvie McKinstry

¹⁵ Let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts.
For as members of one body you are called to live in peace.
And always be thankful.
¹⁶ Let the message about Christ, in all its richness, fill your lives.
Teach and counsel each other with all the wisdom he gives.
Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts.
¹⁷ And whatever you do or say,
do it as a representative of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks through him to God the Father.

Sermon~ “Being Thankful” ~ Rev. Rebecca Sommons

Song ~ “Let All Things Now Living” (#717 in the blue hymnal)

*Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
to God our Creator triumphantly raise
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us
by guiding us onto the end of our days
God's banners are o'er us, pure light goes before us
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night
Till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished
as forward we travel from light into Light
By law God enforces. The stars in their courses,
the sun in its orbit obediently shine
the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains
the depths of the oceans proclaim God divine
We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing
with glad adoration, a song let us raise
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise*

Words ~ Katherine K. Davis, Music ~ Welsh Folk Melody, 1939

Benediction ~ Philippians 4:5-7 (NLT)

⁵ Let everyone see
that you are considerate
in all you do.
Remember,
the Lord is coming soon.
⁶ Don't worry about anything;
instead,
pray about everything.
Tell God what you need,
and thank him for all he has done.
⁷ Then you will experience
God's peace,
which exceeds anything
we can understand.
His peace will guard
your hearts and minds
as you live in Christ Jesus.

