

Sunday, November 16, 2025

Twenty-third Sunday of Kingdom Time

The Lord's Day

Organ Voluntary & Quiet Reflection	1. I Will Serve Thee - Gaither / Root	Pat Shroff
Call to Worship	2. "Are Ye Able," Said the Master - Mason / Bartlett	
	Psalms 67:5-7	Rev. Tim Valentino
Hymn	545: For the Fruit of All Creation	Jim Danielson
Prayer of Adoration		Congregation
Scripture Readings		Rev. Tim Valentino
The Old Testament Reading	Isaiah 65:17-25	Kaye Focht
The Response	Psalms 98:1-9	Kaye Focht/Jim Danielson
The New Testament Reading	Luke 21:5-19	Kaye Focht
Missions Moment		Pat Strain
Worship in Giving	Proverbs 11:25	Rev. Tim Valentino
Prayer Hymn	257: O How He Loves You and Me! (v.1 only)	Congregation
Prayer Led by Pastor		Rev. Tim Valentino
Praise and Worship	Hosanna Praise is Rising / Gratitude	Congregation
Sermon	All in, Part 7: Jesus, Lord of Our Purpose (2 Timothy 2:20-26)	Rev. Tim Valentino
Response Hymn	464: Take Up Thy Cross and Follow Me	Congregation
Benediction		Rev. Tim Valentino
Postlude	Fight the Good Fight - Boyd / Barnett	Pat Shroff

Hospital Visitor This Week: Faye Hipkiss, 717-813-4638

Lector	Kaye Focht	Children's Church Leader	Tracy Farmer & Jen Danielson
Responder	Jim Danielson	Nursery	Lori & Jim Danielson
Organist	Pat Shroff	Narthex Greeters	Kaye & Dave Focht
Pianist	Shelley Miller	Sound Technician	Bob Long
Flutist	Shirley Long	Video Technician	Andrew Valentino
Violin	Rebecca Sorg	Lead Pastor	Rev. Dr. Timothy Valentino
Trumpeter, Pianist, Vocalist	Marcy Garman, Sonya Valentino	Visitation Minister	Pat Strain
Guitarist	Scott Auchenbach	Counters (November)	Kaye Focht, Vivian Hardy
Vocalist	Susie Auchenbach	Director of Buildings & Grounds	Will Robertson
Hymn Leader, Office Administrator	Maureen Logan		

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545 For the Fruit of All Creation



1. For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, Thanks be to God.
 2. In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
 3. For the har - vests of the Spir - it, Thanks be to God.

For His gifts to ev - ery na - tion, Thanks be to God.
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.
 For the good we all in - her - it, Thanks be to God.

For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, Si - lent growth while we are
 In our world-wide task of car - ing For the hun - gry and de -
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, For the truths that still con -

sleep - ing, Fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, Thanks be to God.
 spair - ing, In the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
 found us, Most of all, that love has found us, Thanks be to God.

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Call to Worship: Psalm 67:5-7

⁵ May the peoples praise you, God;
may all the peoples praise you.
⁶ The land yields its harvest;
God, our God, blesses us.
⁷ May God bless us still,
**so that all the ends of the earth
will fear him.**

The Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 65:17-25

¹⁷ “See, I will create
new heavens and a new earth.
The former things will not be remembered,
nor will they come to mind.
¹⁸ But be glad and rejoice forever
in what I will create,
for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight
and its people a joy.
¹⁹ I will rejoice over Jerusalem
and take delight in my people;
the sound of weeping and of crying
will be heard in it no more.
²⁰ “Never again will there be in it
an infant who lives but a few days,
or an old man who does not live
out his years;
the one who dies at a hundred
will be thought a mere child;
the one who fails to reach a hundred
will be considered accursed.
²¹ They will build houses and dwell in them;
they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
²² No longer will they build houses and others
live in them, or plant and others eat.
For as the days of a tree,
so will be the days of my people;
my chosen ones will long enjoy
the work of their hands.
²³ They will not labor in vain, nor will
they bear children doomed to misfortune;

for they will be a people blessed by the LORD,
they and their descendants with them.
²⁴ Before they call I will answer;
while they are still speaking I will hear.
²⁵ The wolf and the lamb will feed together,
and the lion will eat straw like the ox,
and dust will be the serpent’s food.
They will neither harm nor destroy
on all my holy mountain,”
says the LORD.

The Response: Psalm 98:1-9 (Responsive)

¹ Sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvelous things;
**his right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him.**
² The LORD has made his salvation known
and revealed his righteousness
to the nations.
³ **He has remembered his love
and his faithfulness to Israel;**
all the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
⁴ **Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth,
burst into jubilant song with music;**
⁵ make music to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and the sound of singing,
⁶ **with trumpets and the blast of the
ram’s horn—shout for joy
before the LORD, the King.**
⁷ Let the sea resound, and everything in it,
the world, and all who live in it.
⁸ **Let the rivers clap their hands,
let the mountains sing together
for joy;**
⁹ let them sing before the LORD,
for he comes to judge the earth.
**He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples with equity.**

The New Testament Reading: Luke 21:5-19

⁵ Some of his disciples were remarking about
how the temple was adorned with beautiful
stones and with gifts dedicated to God. But Jesus
said, ⁶ “As for what you see here, the time will
come when not one stone will be left on another;
every one of them will be thrown down.”

⁷ “Teacher,” they asked, “when will these
things happen? And what will be the sign that
they are about to take place?”

⁸ He replied: “Watch out that you are not
deceived. For many will come in my name,
claiming, ‘I am he,’ and, ‘The time is near.’ Do
not follow them.” ⁹ When you hear of wars and
uprisings, do not be frightened. These things
must happen first, but the end will not come
right away.”

¹⁰ Then he said to them: “Nation will rise
against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.
¹¹ There will be great earthquakes, famines and
pestilences in various places, and fearful events
and great signs from heaven.

¹² “But before all this, they will seize you
and persecute you. They will hand you over to
synagogues and put you in prison, and you will
be brought before kings and governors, and
all on account of my name. ¹³ And so you will
bear testimony to me. ¹⁴ But make up your mind
not to worry beforehand how you will defend
yourselves. ¹⁵ For I will give you words and
wisdom that none of your adversaries will be
able to resist or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed
even by parents, brothers and sisters, relatives
and friends, and they will put some of you to
death. ¹⁷ Everyone will hate you because of me.
¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ Stand
firm, and you will win life.

Worship in Giving: Proverbs 11:25

²⁵ A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

257 O How He Loves You and Me!

1. O how He loves you and me, O how He loves you and me;
He gave His life—what more could He give? O how He loves you, O how He loves me, O how He loves you and me!

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HE LOVES YOU AND ME
Irregular meter

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Praise Is Rising (Hosanna)

Praise is rising, eyes are turning
to You, we turn to You
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning
for You, we long for You
'Cause when we see You we find
strength to face the day
In Your presence all our fears are
washed away, washed away

[CHORUS]

Hosanna, Hosanna
You are the God who saves us
Worthy of all our praises
Hosanna, Hosanna
Come have Your way among us
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus

Hear the sound of hearts returning
to You, we turn to You
In Your Kingdom broken lives
are made new, You make us new
'Cause when we see You we find
strength to face the day
In Your presence all our fears are
washed away, washed away

[REPEAT CHORUS]

'Cause when we see You, we find
strength to face the day
In Your Presence all our fears
are washed away
'Cause when we see You,
we find strength to face the day
In Your Presence all our fears
are washed away, washed away

[REPEAT CHORUS 2X]

Hosanna, Hosanna
Hosanna, Hosanna

Gratitude

All my words fall short
I got nothing new
How could I express
All my gratitude?

I could sing these songs
As I often do
But every song must end
And You never do

[CHORUS]

So I throw up my hands
And praise You again and again
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah
Hallelujah
And I know it's not much
But I've nothing else fit for a King
Except for a heart singing hallelujah
Hallelujah

I've got one response
I've got just one move
With my arm stretched wide
I will worship You

[REPEAT CHORUS]

So come on, my soul
Oh, don't you get shy on me
Lift up your song
'Cause you've got a lion
inside of those lungs
Get up and praise the Lord

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[REPEAT CHORUS]

464 Take Up Thy Cross and Follow Me



1. "Take up thy cross and fol - low Me," I heard my Mas - ter say;
 2. He drew me clos - er to His side, I sought His will to know,
 3. It may be through the shad - ows dim, Or o'er the storm - y sea,
 4. My heart, my life, my all I bring To Christ who loves me so;

"I gave My life to ran - som thee, Sur - ren - der your all to - day."
 And in that will I now a - bide, Wher - ev - er He leads I'll go.
 I take my cross and fol - low Him, Wher - ev - er He lead - eth me.
 He is my Mas - ter, Lord, and King, Wher - ev - er He leads I'll go.

Refrain
 Wher - ev - er He leads I'll go, Wher - ev - er He leads I'll go,

I'll fol - low my Christ who loves me so, Wher - ev - er He leads I'll go.

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LOOKING AHEAD

* Sign-up Sheet in the Narthex

TODAY! Poinsettia orders due to Carol Keller!

TODAY! CHURCH THANKSGIVING DINNER @ 12:15 p.m. in Zinn Commons.

Monday, November 17 @ 6:30 p.m. CHURCH FAMILY CARE MEETING • Zinn Commons

Calling all to Prayer

Wednesday, November 19 @ 7:00 p.m. BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER • BOTH on-line & in Zinn Commons

Sunday, November 23 @ 10:30 a.m. CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY / COMMUNION

Sunday, November 23 OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Your boxes need to be returned today.



Saturday, November 29 MYERSTOWN HOLIDAY PARADE* Join us walking! Sign-up sheet in narthex

Monday, December 8 @ 6:30 p.m. MINISTRY COUNCIL MEETING • Zinn Commons

Thursday, December 11 @ 7:00 p.m. WOMEN OF FAITH in the Student Lounge

MEN OF ADVENTURE at the home of Kirby Keller

Sunday, December 14 CHURCH CHRISTMAS DINNER @ 12:15 p.m. in Zinn Commons.*

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Dinner moved to 2nd Sunday in December

Wednesday, December 24 @ 7:00 p.m. CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

in the sanctuary. Invite a friend!

Sunday, December 28 @ 9:00 a.m. The CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

AND COOKIE SHARING in Zinn Commons.

Start collecting for VBS Crafts & Decorations!

- Paper towel rolls
- Toilet paper rolls
- Wrapping paper rolls

NEW CONTACT INFO

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SHARING CUPBOARD NEEDS

- Spaghetti Sauce • Canned Fruit • Soup • Cereal
- Snack Foods • Peanut Butter • Corn • Chips & Pretzels
- Cookies & Crackers • Spaghetti • Liquid & Bar Soap
- Toothpaste • Women's Care Items

PRAYER REQUESTS:

If you have any prayer requests for distribution, please send them to Pastor Tim at pastortim@christcomm.church or (484) 269-4313.