Christ Community CHURCH
AN AFFILIATE OF THE E.C. CHURCH

Sunday, November 8, 2026

Twenty-fourth Sunday of Kingdom Time
The Lord's Day • Veterans Day

Organ Voluntary	***1. Allemanda*** – *Corelli / Norris* ***2. Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*** – *Atkinson / Brunner*	Pat Shroff
Announcements		Pastor Tim Valentino
Call to Worship	***Psalm 96:11, 13***	Pastor Tim Valentino Shelley Miller
Hymn	***549: Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory***	Congregation
Prayer of Adoration		Pastor Tim Valentino
Scripture Readings		
The Old Testament Reading	***Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-18***	Faye Hipkiss
The Response	***Psalm 78:1-8***	Faye Hipkiss / Shelley Miller
The Gospel Reading	***Matthew 25:1-13***	Faye Hipkiss
Worship in Giving	***Haggai 2:8***	Pastor Tim Valentino
Recognition of Veterans		
Prayer Hymn	***179: Breath on Me, Breath of God*** *(vs.2)*	Congregation
Prayer Led by Pastor		Pastor Tim Valentino
Praise Hymns	***Draw Me Close / You Are Near***	Congregation
Sermon	***Activated, Part 3: Activated Energy—Filled with the Spirit*** (Ephesians 3:16-19; 5:18-21)	Pastor Tim Valentino
Response Hymn	***209: Blest Be the Tie That Binds***	Congregation
Benediction		Pastor Tim Valentino
Postlude	***O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*** – *Jarman / Brunner*	Pat Shroff

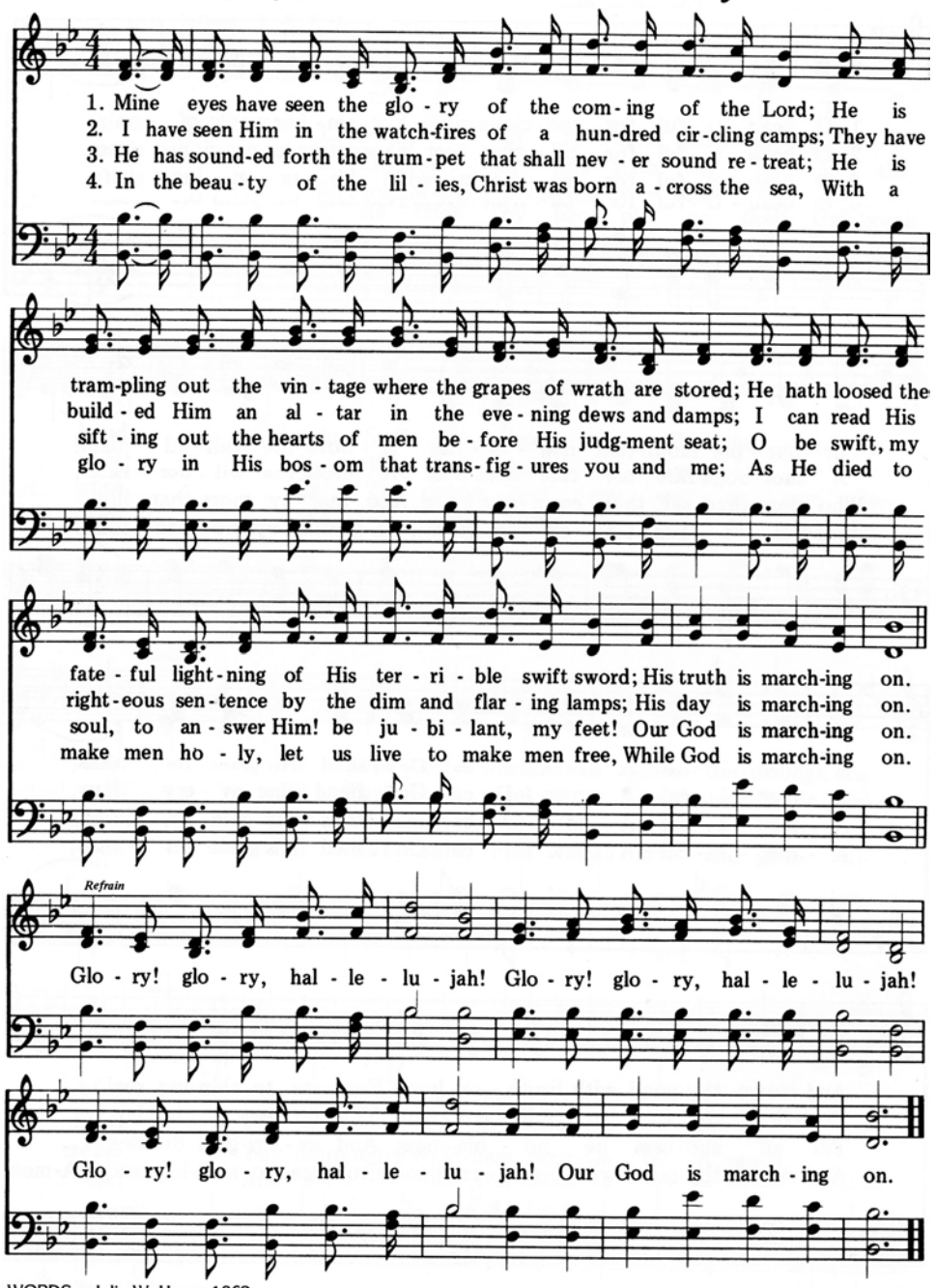
Hospital Visitor This Week: Faye Hipkiss, 717-813-4638

Lector	Faye Hipkiss	**Children's Church Leader**	Deb Smith
Responder	Shelley Miller	**Nursery**	Julie Barskey & Jenn Danielson
Organist	Pat Shroff	**Narthex Greeters**	Kaye & Dave Focht
Pianist	Shelley Miller	**Sound Technician**	Bob Long
Trumpeter, Pianist, Vocalist	Sonya Valentino, Marcy Garman	**Video Technician**	Dawn Sharp
Violin	Rebecca Sorg	**Lead Pastor**	Rev. Dr. Timothy Valentino
Flutist	Shirley Long	**Visitation Minister**	Pat Strain
Guitarist	Scott Auchenbach	**Counters (Novmber)**	Kaye Focht, Vivian Hardy
Vocalist	Susie Auchenbach	**Director of Buildings & Grounds**	Will Robertson
Hymn Leader, Office Administrator	Maureen Logan	**My PALS Preschool Ministry Director**	Sharon Wenger

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549 Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory



WORDS: Julia W. Howe, 1862
MUSIC: Traditional American melody, c.1852

BATTLE HYMN
15.15.15.6 Ref.

Call to Worship: **Psalm 96:11, 13**

11 Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;

let the sea resound, and all that is in it.

13 Let all creation rejoice before the LORD, for he comes,

he comes to judge the earth.

He will judge the world in righteousness

and the peoples in his faithfulness.

The Old Testament Reading: **Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-18**

1 Then Joshua assembled all the tribes of Israel at Shechem.
He summoned the elders, leaders, judges and officials of Israel,
and they presented themselves before God.

2 Joshua said to all the people, "This is what the LORD, the
God of Israel, says: 'Long ago your ancestors, including Terah the
father of Abraham and Nahor, lived beyond the Euphrates River
and worshiped other gods. 3 But I took your father Abraham from
the land beyond the Euphrates and led him throughout Canaan
and gave him many descendants.

14 "Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness.
Throw away the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the
Euphrates River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. 15 But if serving
the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves
this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors
served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in
whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we
will serve the LORD."

16 Then the people answered, "Far be it from us to forsake
the LORD to serve other gods! 17 It was the LORD our God himself
who brought us and our parents up out of Egypt, from that land
of slavery, and performed those great signs before our eyes. He
protected us on our entire journey and among all the nations
through which we traveled. 18 And the LORD drove out before us all
the nations, including the Amorites, who lived in the land. We too
will serve the LORD, because he is our God."

The Response: **Psalm 78:1-8** (Responsive)

1 My people, hear my teaching;
listen to the words of my mouth.

2 I will open my mouth with a parable;
I will utter hidden things, things from of old—

3 things we have heard and known,
things our ancestors have told us.

4 We will not hide them from their descendants;
we will tell the next generation

the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD,
his power, and the wonders he has done.

5 He decreed statutes for Jacob
and established the law in Israel,

which he commanded our ancestors
to teach their children,

6 so the next generation would know them,
even the children yet to be born,
and they in turn would tell their children.

7 Then they would put their trust in God
and would not forget his deeds
but would keep his commands.

8 They would not be like their ancestors—
a stubborn and rebellious generation,
whose hearts were not loyal to God.

PLEASE STAND: The Gospel Reading: **Matthew 25:1-13**

1 “At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins
who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. 2 Five
of them were foolish and five were wise. 3 The foolish ones took
their lamps but did not take any oil with them. 4 The wise ones,
however, took oil in jars along with their lamps. 5 The bridegroom
was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell
asleep.

6 “At midnight the cry rang out: ‘Here’s the bridegroom! Come
out to meet him!’

7 “Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps. 8 The
foolish ones said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil; our lamps
are going out.’

9 “ ‘No,’ they replied, ‘there may not be enough for both us and
you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.’

10 “But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the
bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him
to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut.

11 “Later the others also came. ‘Lord, Lord,’ they said, ‘open the
door for us!’

12 “But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I don’t know you.’

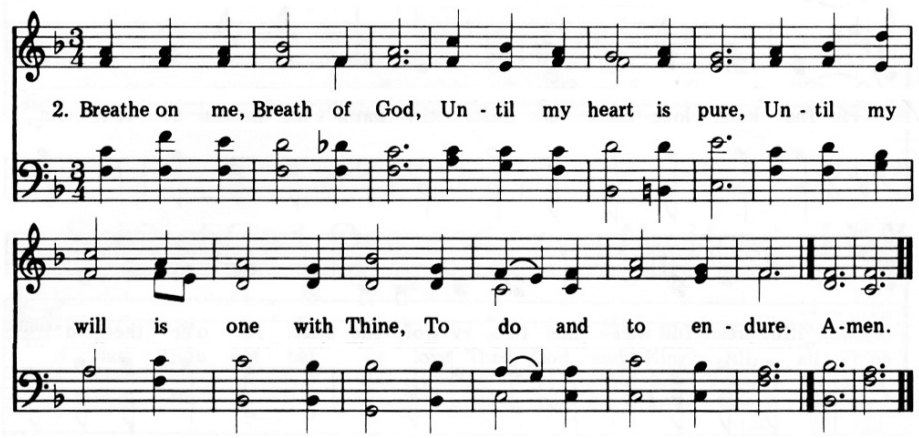
13 “Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or
the hour.

Worship in Giving: **Haggai 2:8**

8 “The silver is mine and the gold is mine,” declares the Lord
Almighty.

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179 Breathe on Me, Breath of God



Draw Me Close to You

Draw me close to you
Never let me go
I lay it all down again
To hear you say that I’m your friend
You are my desire
No one else will do
‘Cause nothing else can take your place
To feel the warmth of your embrace
Help me find the way
Bring me back to you

[CHORUS]

You’re all I want
You’re all I’ve ever needed
You’re all I want
Help me know you are near

Draw me close to you
Never let me go
I lay it all down again
To hear you say that I’m your friend
You are my desire
No one else will do
‘Cause nothing else can take your place
To feel the warmth of your embrace
Help me find the way
Bring me back to you

[REPEAT CHORUS]

You Are Near

In awe of You, we worship,
and stand amazed at Your great love.
We're changed from glory to glory.
We set our hearts on You, our God.

[CHORUS]

Now Your presence fills this place,
be exalted in our praise.
As we worship I believe You are near.

[REPEAT CHORUS]

In awe of You, we worship,
and stand amazed at Your great love.
We're changed from glory to glory.
We set our hearts on You, our God.

[REPEAT CHORUS 2X]

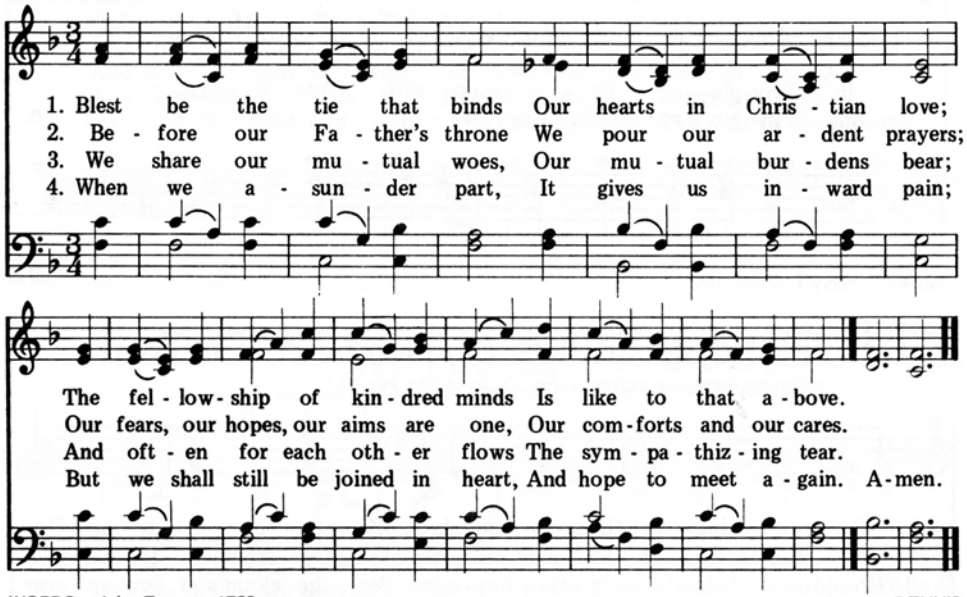
Blessing and honour and glory and
power forever, forever.

[REPEAT ABOVE LINE 4X]

[REPEAT CHORUS 2X]

In awe of You we worship

209 Blest Be the Tie That Binds



WORDS: John Fawcett, 1782
MUSIC: Johann G. Nägeli, 1773-1836; arr. Lowell Mason, 1845

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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.

HELP NEEDED: INTERCESSORY PRAYER TEAM MEMBERS to pray on Sunday during the worship service. For more information talk to **Francy Lindenmuth • 717.866.3367.**

HELP NEEDED IN NURSERY DURING WORSHIP We are in need of a volunteer to assist in nursery two Sundays each month. Please talk to **Pat Shroff** if you could help with one of these Sundays. **Help is needed on the 4th and 5th Sunday each month.**

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED: REV. RON & BRENDA ANDERSON • DAVID & CONCÉ ROOF
REV. KEN SEARS • REV. BYRON & RACHEL WHITAKER • DAN & MARY LYNNE WILLS

* *SIGN UP in narthex and/or on line*

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY @ 9:00 a.m. ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES COMBINED • Zinn Commons

Sunday, November 8 @ 12:00 p.m. NURSERY WORKERS MTG • Zinn Commons

Monday, November 9 @ 6:30 p.m. MINISTRY COUNCIL MTG • Zinn Commons

Wednesday, November 11 @ 7:00 p.m. MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER • Zinn Commons & Zoom

Thursday, November 12 @ 7:00 p.m. WOMEN OF FAITH in the Student Lounge
MEN OF ADVENTURE at the home of Kirby Keller

CORRECT DATE! -NEXT SUNDAY!

Sunday, NOVEMBER 15 @ 12:00 p.m. CHURCH LUNCHEON*
• Zinn Commons • Sign-up sheet for both bringing and attending.

Monday, November 16 @ 6:30 p.m. FAMILY CARE MTG • Zinn Commons, Luncheon side

Monday, November 16 @ 6:30 p.m. MY PALS SCHOOL BOARD MTG
Zinn Commons, Classroom side

Wednesday, November 18 @ 7:00 p.m. THANKSGIVING PRAYER & PRAISE
• Church Sanctuary

Sunday, November 22 • Boxes due today OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD **GOAL:75 BOXES**

Sunday, November 22 @ 12 noon VISION COMMITTEE MEETING • Zinn Commons

Monday, November 23 @ 6:30 p.m. FAITH & SCIENCE MTG • Zinn Commons

Friday, November 27 from 5:30–7:30 p.m. MYERSTOWN HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING
Operating the hot chocolate stand • Corner of Main and Locust Streets
See Lisa Dreibelbis for more info • Please sign-up to participate!*

Saturday, November 28 MYERSTOWN HOLIDAY PARADE
Forming at 2:30 p.m. • Walking at 4:00 p.m. • Please sign-up to participate!*

Monday, December 7 @ 6:00 p.m. CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY MTG

December 22 @ 12:00 p.m. CHURCH DINNER • Zinn Commons.*