

The Worship of God

October 23, 2016

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

The Gathering

The Lord has made this day for you. Rejoice and be glad in it. He calls us here to remind us who we are, to restore the image of our creation, to call us again to Kingdom service. Be open to his voice. Be grateful for his forgiveness. Be thankful for his healing love.

Prelude Pani Angelicus Franck/Heaps

Choral Introit *Sweeter Each Day* arr. Freeman
Opening of the Bible Jazmine Bishop

Call To Worship Lily Thornhill

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made!

People: A day for praise and prayer; a day for gratitude and generosity.

Leader: This is the time God has given us.

People: A time for singing and silence; a time for speaking and listening.

Leader: This is the life to which God calls us.

People: A life of humility and service; a life of faith and trust.

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made!

Hymn No. 77 *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"* LOBE DEN HERREN
Lighting the Christ Candle

The Children's Time

Passing the Peace of Christ

Christian Greetings Jimmy Davis

Old Testament Lesson Jeremiah 14: 7-10

Call to Confession

Minister: We confess, O God, that we are arrogant when we are called to be meek.

People: Too often, we praise ourselves instead of praying for forgiveness.

Minister: Too often, we point fingers at others instead of admitting our wrongdoings.

People: Teach us to be humble, Lord Jesus, that we may exalt your Holy Name as we seek to faithfully follow you.

Morning Prayer

Hymn No. 619 "God Will Take Care of You!" GOD CARES

Gospel Lesson Luke 18: 9-14

Anthem "Whisper To My Heart" Angerman and Martin

Sermon Lord Have Mercy! Dr. Ray Howell III

Hymn No. 502 "Amazing Grace" NEW BRITAIN

Offertory Prayer Dan Hamrick

The Offertory If You Will Only Let God Guide You arr. Mary Ellen Kerrick

Doxology

*Praise God for the source of life and birth.
Praise God for the Word, who came to earth.
Praise God the Spirit, holy flame.
All glory, honor to God's name! Amen.*

Choral Benediction May the Grace of Christ arr. Freeman

Postlude Trumpet Tune Henry Purcell

Today's Lay Reader is Linda Engstrom

The Senior Adult Choir and the Sanctuary Choir directed by Paul Freeman provide music for our service accompanied by Beverly Khemlani.

Christian Sympathy

Heartfelt Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Betsy Wall Medford who died on Friday, October 14 and to the family of Buster Willis who died on Monday, October 17.

The church has individual hearing assistance devices for anyone to use during services; just ask an usher.

Halloween Fall Festival

The youth are organizing this year's Halloween Fall Festival. Our greatest needs are candy and donations to purchase games. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Whitney Brooks: 336-479-8191 or mswhitneybrooks@gmail.com.

Chrismon Ministry

New Chrismons, crafted by our Chrismon Committee, are displayed outside our Media Center. You have the opportunity to provide a Chrismon in honor or in memory of someone. A red dot indicates the Chrismon has already been purchased. Please support this beautiful ministry by honoring or memorializing a loved one today. The cost is determined by the value of the Chrismon kit.

Week's Schedule

Sunday, 10/23

9:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry	Conference Room
9:30 a.m.	Morning Coffee Gathering	2nd Floor Elevator Lobby
6:00 p.m.	Youth Snack Supper (Ortiz)	Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.	Middle & High School Youth Activities	The Attic
7:00 p.m.	Deacons' Meeting	Parlor

Monday, 10/24

7:00 p.m.	Fall Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
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Tuesday, 10/25

10:30 a.m.	Fall Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
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Wednesday, 10/26

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Senior Adult Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Childcare Babies (Inform the church if you need childcare)	Nursery
5:15 - 6:15 p.m.	* Dinner (Children Eat First)	Fellowship Hall
5:45 - 6:30 p.m.	Fall Festival	Fellowship Hall
7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite

Menu: *Chili & Beans, Cole Slaw, Salad Bar, Cornbread, Dessert*
 Children : *Pizza*

Extended Sessions:

October 23: Bed Babies: M/M Jim Skotthy **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Lee Davis 3

& 4 Year Olds: Alyson Honeycutt & Grace Upton

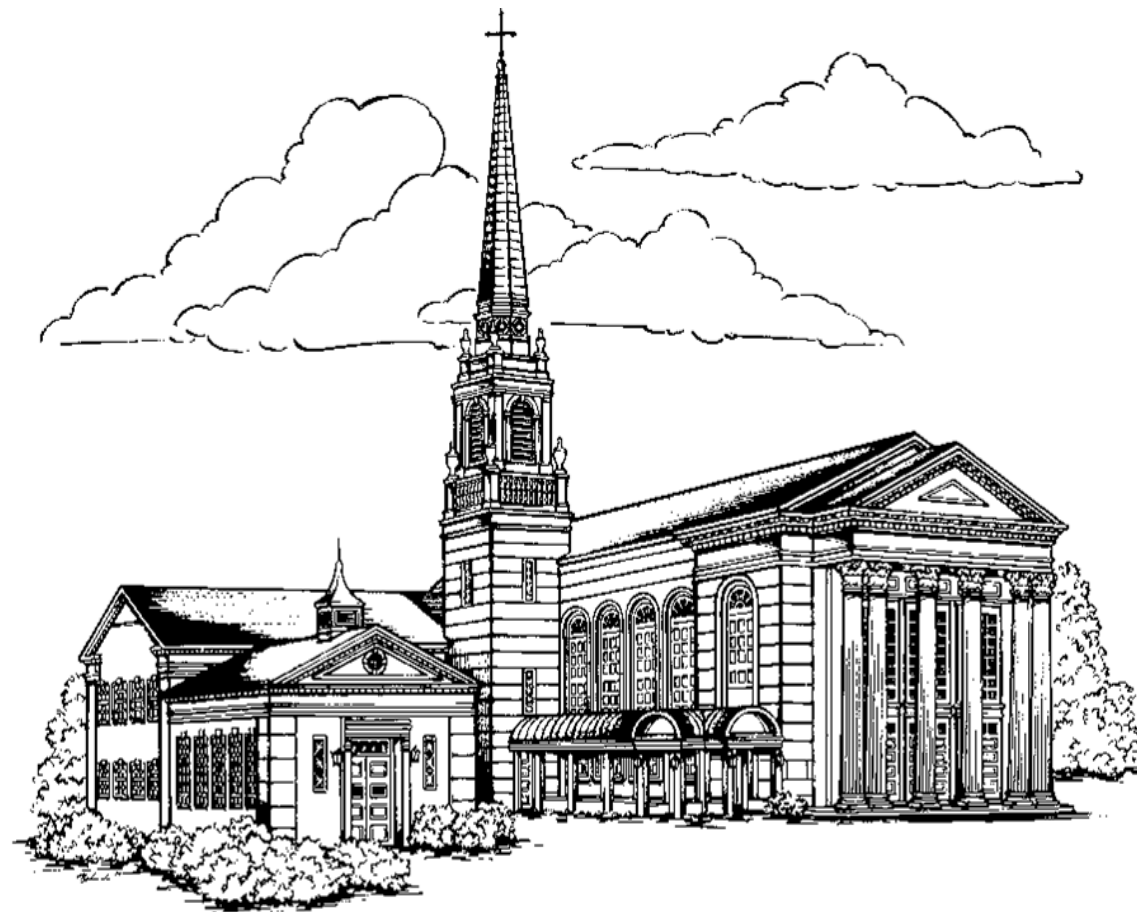
October 30: Bed Babies: M/M Richard Baxley **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Lee Davis
3 & 4 Year Olds: Alyson Honeycutt

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