



# November 5, 2023 Sacrament of Communion

**PRELUDE** Children's Song Medley Arr. D.E. Wagner

(When the Pastors enter, please lower your speaking as many use this as a time for prayer.)

Pouring out of Waters/Passing the Peace Pastor Craig

RINGING THE BOWL/CHOIR PROCESSION Pastor Diane



## **INTROIT** Surely the Presence

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place; I can feel His mighty power and His grace. I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face; Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your LORD is coming.

**OPENING HYMN** 

The Church's One Foundation

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## **CALL TO PRAYER**

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

## **UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Creator, you have filled the world with beauty. Open our eyes to behold your gracious hand in all your works; that, rejoicing in your whole creation, we may learn that we shall be saved in quietness, and confidence shall be your strength. By the power of your spirit may we be lifted to your company, that we may be still and know that you are GOD. Righteous judge, you sent Jesus among us to seek and save the lost. Grant that like Zacchaeus, we may joyfully welcome the Savior into our lives and homes and thankfully do what is pleasing in your sight. All this we pray through Jesus Christ. (Silent prayer) Amen.



#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the resurrection; to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Brothers and sisters, believe the Good News of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**♦ GLORIA PATRI** 581

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.

**ANTHEM** Taste and See with You Are My All in All Arr. J. Reed

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

You are my strength when I am weak;

You are the treasure that I seek;

You are my all in all.

When I fall down, you pick me up;

When I am dry, you fill my cup;

You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

## CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE Joshua 5: 11-15

The day after the Passover, that very day, they ate some of the produce of the land: unleavened bread and roasted grain. The manna stopped the day after they ate this food from the land; there was no longer any manna for the Israelites, but that year they ate the produce of Canaan.



Now when Joshua was near Jericho, he looked up and saw a man standing in front of him with a drawn sword in his hand. Joshua went up to him and asked, "Are you for us or for our enemies?"

"Neither," he replied, "but as commander of the army of the LORD I have now come." Then Joshua fell facedown to the ground in reverence, and asked him, "What message does my Lord have for his servant?"

The commander of the LORD's army replied, "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy." And Joshua did so.

Micah 6: 1-8

Listen to what the LORD says:

"Stand up, plead your case before the mountains; let the hills hear what you have to say.

"Hear, you mountains, the LORD's accusation; listen, you everlasting foundations of the earth.

For the LORD has a case against his people; God is lodging a charge against Israel.

"My people, what have I done to you? How have I burdened you? Answer me.

I brought you up out of Egypt and redeemed you from the land of slavery.

I sent Moses to lead you, also Aaron and Miriam.

My people, remember
what Balak king of Moab plotted
and what Balaam son of Beor answered.
Remember your journey from Shittim to Gilgal,



that you may know the righteous acts of the LORD."
With what shall I come before the LORD
and bow down before the exalted God?
Shall I come before God with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?
Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousand rivers of olive oil?
Shall I offer my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?
He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.
And what does the LORD require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly with your God.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

**CHORAL AMEN** 

SERMON "TAKING SIDES"

**† HYMN** Let There Be Peace on Earth

## **CALL FOR OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** Lord, Here Am I J.N.Beck/Arr. Humber, Carnes

\*Please print your name in the fellowship register: Friendship Pads in the pews are a great way to meet your neighbor.

\*\* If you have a special prayer request, please fill out the blue card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. There is



also a box in the Narthex you may place it in as well. Our Pastors and Prayer Ministry Team will Pray for your request.

**♦Doxology** 606

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.

## THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

The Invitation

Pastoral and The Lord's Prayer (Sung)

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.

The Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements (Please hold your elements until all may receive together)

**HYMN** 

The Church of Christ in Every Age

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## **†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

All Worshi	All Worship Services are available for replay on our website.						
	† All those who are able, please stand.						
<b>POSTLUDE</b>	Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise	Dan Forrest					

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**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY PROVIDED BY:** Liz Haynes, in Memory of her Father.

THE ROSE ON THE BAPTISMAL FONT IS IN HONOR OF: Bill Sauder.

PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED OR IN REHABILITATION: Gail Barker.

**TODAY IS FOOD BANK SUNDAY**— Please drop off your non-perishable items in Fellowship Hall.

## THIS WEEK:

HOLIDAY PLUS SALE SET-UP Monday—Wednesday at 8:00 a.m.

**PARKINSON'S CHAIR EXERCISES**—Monday and Wednesday only this week at 9:00 a.m.

**OVERCOMING DEPRESSION**—Monday at 9:30 in Classroom 5.

**BIBLE REFLECTIONS**—Monday, at 1:00 p.m. in Classroom 5 and on Zoom.



**PRAYER MINISTRY** — Tuesdays, at 9:30 a.m. in the Sweet Family Room.

**THE END TIMES— According to Jesus—**Selected Topics—Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. in Classroom 5. Your teacher is Bud Landry.

**JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF**— Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. in Classroom 5.

Buildings and Grounds—Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in Classroom 3.

**JOYFUL SPIRIT ENSEMBLE REHEARSAL**—Tuesdays, at 2:30 p.m. in the Sweet Family Room.

CHAIR EXERCISE CLASS—Wednesdays, at 10:00 a.m.

MIRIAM CIRCLE—Wednesday at 1:00 in Classroom 1.

MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH—Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. in Classroom 5.

**Bells Rehearsal**—Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m.

CHOIR REHEARSAL—Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m.

**HOLIDAY PLUS SALE**—Thursday, Friday, Saturday, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Here at the church.

**THE BOOK – THE STORY OF GOD** – Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. in Classroom 5.

**MUSIC IN THE VALLEY** — Tickets go on sale today in Fellowship Hall. \$20 Individual concerts, or \$70 for Season Tickets (4 concerts)



VPC	Financ	ial - Attend	ance / On-Line Viewing Metrics		
Monthly Giving Suppor	rt Cont	ributions	Weekly Attendance / Viewing		
September-2023			Through Week 44 (10/29/23)		
Monthly Giving Support	\$	53,897	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	242	
Monthly Giving Budget		42,472	* YTD 2023 Attendance Sanctuary	11,444	
*YTD Giving Support		592,097	** Weekly Viewing On-Line	145	
*YTD Giving Budget		586,788	** YTD 2023 Viewing On-Line	5,792	
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			* YTD 2022 Attendance Sanctuary	9,414	
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**WELCOME** to all who enter this place. Drink deeply of the living waters of God's grace as we worship together in spirit.

<u>Visitors</u>: Consider yourself at home while you are here! Please enjoy a cup of coffee, lemonade and a cookie while visiting the Visitor's Table in Fellowship Hall after the church worship service. You can pick up a Visitor's Information Packet at the Visitor's Table or the Welcome Centers. If you would like to receive more information about us, visit us at <u>valleypres.net</u> where you can sign up for our daily email blasts and monthly newsletter.

Children are invited to worship in the sanctuary then attend Sunday School after Children's Time.



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