

Distribution of the Bread: *The body of Christ, broken for you.*

As you pass the bread, please say to the next person:
"The body of Christ, broken for you."

Upon receipt of the bread, please hold it until all have been served, so that we can partake of the bread together, as a sign of our oneness in Christ and membership in His corporate body—the Christian Church.

Distribution of the Cup: *The blood of Christ, shed for you.*

As you pass the cup, please say to the next person:
"The blood of Christ, shed for you."

Upon receipt of the cup, please hold it until all have been served, so that we can partake of the cup together, as a sign of our oneness in Christ and membership in His corporate body—the Christian Church.

Please use the baskets we have provided in alternate rows for disposal of the used communion cups

Prayer following Communion Rev. Giffone

Note: If able, the Congregation should please stand for the Hymn.

***Hymn No. 667:** *God is My Strong Salvation*..... *MEIN LEBEN*

Note: If able, the Congregation should please remain standing following the Hymn

***Benediction** Rev. Giffone

Note: At the conclusion of the Benediction, the Congregation is dismissed.

Postlude: *Sing to the Lord of Harvest* *arr. Sanborn*

** Congregation should please stand, if you are able to do so.*

After the Worship Service

We invite you to join us for a time of fellowship with coffee and cookies after the Worship Service in the rear of the sanctuary.

If you have any special needs in your life and you wish to have a time of personal prayer, please speak to Pastor Benj or to one of our Ruling Elders— Robert LeSuer, James Stahl, or Amy Stearns—and he or she will arrange for someone to meet with you today and pray with you.

Monthly Prayer Focus for November

At the September Meeting of the Presbytery of the Alleghenies, missionary Patricia Premick made a presentation about her work in Taiwan and her move to Thailand. Pat was previously the subject of the Redeemer Monthly Prayer Focus for September, 2023. Her circumstances have changed in Taiwan, and she is moving the location of her ministry to Thailand.

Pat hails from the Presbytery of the Alleghenies’ North Park Church in Wexford, PA. She is associated with the EPC World Outreach and Mesa Global. Her goal is to minister to the Thai people she encounters and to the large number of Taiwanese who are emigrating to Thailand.

She asks for our prayers and notes the following requests:

- A positive transition into the Thai culture and into her new country of ministry.
- Her ability and perseverance, in order to learn the Thai language.
- Her seeking God for direction and for what her ministry will look like.
- That her home and table will be a place of respite and peace for all who enter.
- That she may be able to build a community with her Mesa Global team and others.



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Sunday Morning Worship
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 10, 2024

Worship Theme: *“The Book of Numbers’ unfamiliar teachings on vows and the treatment of women both are a positive innovation in the ancient world and also a pre-figuration of what Jesus Christ accomplishes at the cross for the church, women, and men together.”*

We welcome children of all ages in our Worship Service. At the Information Center in the rear of the Sanctuary, we offer children a “Book Bucket” with books and activities for their use. Parents, please do not be concerned if your young child cries. We believe that the cries of young children signal that the church is alive, well, and destined to continue for generations to come.

Welcome, Announcements, and Introduction to Worship Thomas Brooks

Prelude: *Be Thou My Vision* *arr. Rodriguez*

Riches I heed not, nor man’s empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Note: The Congregation should please remain seated.

Call to Worship: (*responsively*) Thomas Brooks

Liturgist: Happy are the people whose God is the Lord.

Congregation: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.

Liturgist: Every day I will bless you, Loving God, and praise your name forever and ever.

Congregation: We worship the God who has conquered sin and death, and claims us as brothers and sisters with our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Note: The Congregation should please stand, if able to do so.

***Hymn No. 34: *The God of Abraham Praise*.....LEONI
(Verses 1, 3, and 6)**

Note: If able, the Congregation should please remain standing for the reading of the Gospel.

***Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:33-37.....Marykay Stahl**

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Note: We will have A Moment for Children only if two or more children are present in the Worship Service.

A Moment for Children Rev. Giffone

Note: The Congregation should please remain seated for the following Hymn.

Hymn of Reflection: *Day by Day*.....St. Richard of Chichester

Day by day, day by day,
O, dear Lord, three things I pray:
To see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly,
Follow thee more nearly, day by day.

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O, dear Lord, three things I pray:
To see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly,
Follow thee more nearly, day by day.

Prayers of Confession..... Thomas Brooks

We will begin by praying a unison prayer of corporate confession.
Then, we will join in silently, confessing our personal sins.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved You with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

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We pray that, in Your mercy, You will forgive what we have been, amend what we are, and direct what we shall be—so that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Note: The Congregation should please silently confess their sins.

Assurance of Pardon (*responsively*) Thomas Brooks

Liturgist: Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives transgressions? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy.

Congregation: You will again have compassion on us; You will tread our sins under foot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.

—Micah 7:18-19

Thanks be to God!

Note: The Congregation should please stand for the Hymn, if able to do so.

***Response Hymn: *Gloria Patri*.....GREATOREX**

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!

Note: If able, the Congregation should please remain standing following the Hymn

***Passing of the Peace** Thomas Brooks

*Note: The Congregation will please turn to each other and speak these words of greeting: "May the peace of Christ be with you."
And the answer of response: "And, also with you."*

Note: The Congregation may please be seated.

**Pastoral Prayer, Prayers of the People, and
The Lord's Prayer** (*debts/debtors*)..... James Stahl

Note: The Congregation should please remain seated for the reading of Scripture.

Epistle Reading: Galatians 3:23-29.....Marykay Stahl

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Note: The Congregation may please be seated.

Sermon: "You Shall Give the Inheritance to His Daughters"..... Rev. Giffone

Sermon Text: Numbers 5:11-6:21; 27:1-11; 30:1-16; 36:1-13

The Sacrament of Holy Communion
Remembrance · Communion · Hope

Invitation to the Lord's Table..... Rev. Giffone

Offering: *O Jesus, I Have Promised*..... *Improvised*

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
Be thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend:
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

Note: If able, the Congregation should please stand for the Offertory Hymn.

Offertory Hymn: *Doxology..... *OLD HUNDRETH*

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Note: The Congregation should please remain standing, if able to do so.

***Offertory Prayer**..... Rev. Giffone

Note: The Congregation may please be seated.

Note: We welcome the families with children sitting in the rear of the sanctuary to come forward and find seating in the front of the church, so that the children may observe the Celebration of Holy Communion.

**Communion Opening Prayer
and Words of Institution** Rev. Giffone

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