

Welcome!

Prayer of Preparation

*We thank you, God, as we prepare to worship,
that you have sent your Spirit to empower us
to witness to your love.*

*We seek your encouraging presence this day,
that we may worship you with joy. Amen*

We will sing from the Gold Hymnal today

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *"Prelude in C Major"*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Who are you?

P: *I am _____, a child of God!*

L: Who do you serve?

P: *I serve Jesus Christ, my Savior!*

L: Where do you find your power?

C: *From the Holy Spirit living in me!*

*HYMN "Come, Ye Thankful People Come"..... no. 392

*CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*God of Grace, we come to you this day secure in the shelter of
your presence. When we trust that security, we are able to see
those left on the outside, and make room. When we are unsure,
we may see them as a threat to our own peace. Remind us of your
abundant and ceaseless presence, meant to be shared.
In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen*

+SILENT PRAYER

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

L: The Holy Spirit stirs in us!

C: *We receive the gift of life and the fire of Love!*

*PRAISE RESPONSE *"Gloria Patri"*

*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*

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15 pg. 643

ANTHEM *"Give Thanks"*

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 16: 19-31 pg. 851

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *"Litany for the Harvest"*

For rain and sun and insects to pollinate crops; for farmers who work with nature and preserve the beauty and diversity of God's creation; and for wild creatures that enjoy the harvest of berries, nuts, grains, and seeds.

ALL: We give thanks, O God.

For the soil, rich and precious, home to countless living creatures that maintain fertility and give us food and life.

ALL: We give thanks, O God.

For grace to recognize we are part of God's creation with responsibilities to care for God's earth and our fellow creatures, including farm animals both during their lives and in their deaths at abattoirs.

ALL: O Lord hear our prayer.

Bring peace to the killing fields of war, turn scorched earth to green, so that people can sow their seeds and harvest their crops and live in harmony with their neighbors.

ALL: Lord send forth your Spirit.

Bring justice to those farm families crushed by debt, their livelihoods affected by thoughtless politics, those denied access to land for growing their own food.

ALL: Lord, send forth your Spirit.

Send us out into the world, in service to God’s creatures, as disciples of Jesus who blessed bread and wine at the Last Supper — bread which earth has given and human hands have made, and wine, the fruit of the vine and work of human hands.

ALL: Lord, send forth your Spirit. Amen

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*HYMN “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”.....no. 318

OFFERING/OFFERTORY “Blessed Assurance”

CALL TO THE OFFERING

*OFFERING RESPONSE/THE DOXOLOGY.....no. 382

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION/THE LORD’S PRAYER (debts)

*HYMN “Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing”.....no. 520

*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

*RESPONSE “Let There Be Peace On Earth”.....no. 681

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

POSTLUDE “Scherzino”

(L- Leader; **P- People.** Those who are able, please *- stand, +-kneel)

The altar flowers are given in celebration of God’s many blessings.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Janine Davis

Virginia Tobias

Betty Good

The family of Michael McGlashon

Carol Sanders

Eugene Endy

Thelma Sprecher

The family of Robinette Palsgrove

Ray Kunkel

Frank Smith

Howard Goldman

Jeffrey & Courtney Miller



Peace United Church of Christ

To all who are weary and need rest; to all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who pray and to all who do not but ought; to all who sin and need a Savior; and to whomsoever will come – this church opens wide the door and says in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,

WELCOME!



Come ye thankful
People come...

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Harvest Home