

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 10, 2013

Rev. Dr. Charles A. Wiessner, Pastor

Dr. Lonieta Cornwall, Music Director

The Approach to God

PRELUDE

"Thanks Be to Thee"

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

"We Have Come Into This House"

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Psalm 100)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Know that the Lord is God, it is he that made us;

We are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to God and bless his holy name.

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever.

***HYMN OF PRAISE #24**

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

(unison)

Bountiful God, we give you thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all you have made. We bless you for our creation, for your daily providential care, and for all the blessings of this life. We thank you most of all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ. With thankful hearts we offer you our praise, not only with our lips but with our lives. Amen

CONGREGATIONAL SONGS OF PRAISE

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One;

give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son. (repeat)

And now let the weak say, "We are strong!"

Let the poor say, "We are rich

because of what the Lord has done for us."

Thank You, Lord [3x] I just want to thank You, Lord.

Been so good [3x] I just want to thank You, Lord

Saved my soul [3x] I just want to thank You, Lord.

PSALM OF PRAISE
Reading #23

Psalm 98

(Page 494 Hymnal)

The Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

II Thessalonians 1:1-4; 2:13-17
(Page 182 New Testament)

MOMENT FOR CHILDREN

***MOMENT OF FELLOWSHIP**

***HYMN #407**

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

SERMON

“Always Give Thanks”

Our Response to God

***CONFESSION OF FAITH** Apostles' Creed (Page 12 Hymnal)

RECEPTION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

MINISTRY OF MUSIC *“O Lord, I Thank You... .All the days of my life”*

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

***CLOSING HYMN #77** *“Saviour, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise”*
(Our monthly mission offering will be taken
during the first verses of this hymn.)

***BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

“Thank You, Lord”

Reprise

***POSTLUDE**

*The congregation may stand.

TODAY'S STEWARDS

Greeter: Clair Coddington

Ushers: Carole Angrilla, Ellie Clark, Pete & Barbara Nickel

Nursery: Bill & Julie Anne Thompson

Fellowship: Aaron & Shawna Guikema

NEXT WEEK'S STEWARDS (November 17):

Greeter: Ellie Clark

Ushers: Ron Dellinger, Nancy Dey, Bill & Sabra Leadbitter

Nursery: Vickie, Renee & Natalie Sherwood

Fellowship: Luncheon

WORSHIP ASSISTANT

We are happy to have Heidi Wilson sharing in the worship service this morning. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for Worship Assistants for the coming several months.

TODAY IS MISSION SUNDAY

Our mission for November is our RCA Missionaries: Shelvis and Nancy Smith-Mather, serving in South Sudan. Shelvis and Nancy Smith-Mather work with RECONCILE, (Resource Centre for Civil Leadership). It promotes peace-building by providing training in trauma recovery, conflict transformation, and civic education. They participate in RECONCILE's training events that address inter-ethnic conflict. Shelvis is also principal of the Peace Institute, which offers three-month courses in community-based trauma healing, peace studies, and conflict transformation.

SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER GROUP

Our monthly Prayer & Meditation Group meets tonight at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Please come and join us. Communion will be served.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Women's Fellowship Group will meet 11/11/13 at 7:00 in the library. We will be studying Lesson 2 from the book of Esther. Please plan to join us. If you need a book, see Liz White. All ladies are welcome to attend.

CONSECRATION SUNDAY

This month we are focusing on Thanksgiving in our families. In worship we will be focusing on thanksgiving as part of our Christian life. Next Sunday is Consecration Sunday when we offer our pledges for the coming year as a way of saying thanks to God.

MONTHLY LUNCHEON

Plan to join us next Sunday for our Monthly Luncheon; please bring a dish to share.

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Income: 14,798 167,486

Expense: 21,252 205,037