



Valley United Methodist Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, November 20, 2022

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Thanksgiving

Thank you for joining in this worship service! We hope you will enter in the spirit of worship from wherever you are, and whenever you join. We'll follow this order of worship. You'll have to decide whether to stand () and sit when invited! If you're joining in real time, you can add your comments and/or prayer requests in the comments on our livestream [at this link](#). Words in **bold print** are read together. Words from our United Methodist Hymnal (UMH), The Faith We Sing songbook (FWS) and other sources will appear on screen. We're so glad you're here!*

Gathering Music	<i>Allegro Vivace</i> <i>Reverie</i> <i>Come, Ye Thankful People, Come</i>	Stanley Macklin arr. by Koury
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Welcome

*Call to Worship	Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God's presence with singing. Enter God's gates with thanksgiving. Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good. God's steadfast love endures forever.	PSALM 100
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Abingdon Worship Annual 2022, 275

*Opening Hymn *Now Thank We All Our God* (UMH 102)

1-Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

2-O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us still in grace, and guide us when perplexed;
and free us from all ills, in this world and the next.

3-All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given;
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven;
the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

*Opening Prayer **Almighty God,
through the lordship of your Son, Jesus Christ,
the power and dominions of the world obtain their purpose,
and creation finds its meaning.
Reveal to the world the gracious rule of Christ,
end all enmity among the nations,
and bring us soon to his glorious, peaceable kingdom;
through Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

Feasting on the Word Worship Companion, Year C, vol 2 (2013), 281

*Peace The peace of Christ is with you.
And also with you.

Anthem *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* The Back Row

A Reflection on Giving—Emory Cleveland

Time with Children

Gospel Reading Deuteronomy 26.1-11

¹When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, ²you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give

us.’ ⁴When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, ⁵you shall make this response before the LORD your God: ‘A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, ⁷we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; ⁹and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.’ You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. ¹¹Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Message How We Thank God

Call to Prayer *Give Thanks* (FWS 2036)

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One,
give thanks because he’s given
Jesus Christ his son.

And now let the weak say, “I am strong”;
let the poor say “I am rich
because of what the Lord has done for us.”

Time of Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer **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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

A Reflection on Giving—Doyle Sanders

Time of Offering

Offertory *Metamorphosis* Roesch

*Response *All Things Come of Thee* (UMH 588)

All things come of thee, Oh Lord;
and of thine own have we given thee.

*Offering Prayer **We present these gifts, O God,
and we make these commitments
of our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness,
in the confidence that healing, hope and wholeness
will flourish through them
and because of them,
according to your will and your kingdom. Amen.**

Worship & Song Leader's Edition (2011), 107, adapted

*Closing Hymn *Rejoice, the Lord Is King* (UMH 715), stanzas 1 & 3

1-Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

3-His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of earth and hell are to our Jesus given.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

*Benediction

Postlude *Now Thank We All Our God*

arr. by Norris

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sun., Nov. 20	Consecration Sunday 9:00 a.m. Worship in Person and Livestream 10:00 a.m. Youth Bake Sale Hanging of the Greens (NO Sunday School Classes today) 12:00 p.m. Soup Lunch
Tues., Nov. 22	10:30 a.m. Equity and Justice Team
Thurs., Nov. 24	Thanksgiving Day
Fri., Nov. 25	Church Office Closed
Sun., Nov. 27	First Sunday in Advent 9:00 a.m. Worship in Person and Livestream 10:30 p.m. Adult Sunday School (No K-6 Sunday School)

Serving us today: Pastor Lee Schott, Pastor; Karen Hutzell, Organist; Sherry Robinson and Dawsyn Schulte, Ushers; Marilyn Hanson and Kim Tyrrell, Nursery Attendants; Marty and Carol Jones, Fellowship; Nathan and Johnathan Henn, Tech Team; Starr Himes, Livestream Greeter.

CWS Blankets: Congratulations and thank you for supporting Church World Service! **We've reached our goal with 156 blankets purchased.** What generous people!

Christmas Program Coming Up! A great team has come together to prepare for our Christmas Program on **Sunday, December 4** at 3:00 p.m. We'll present a fun and meaningful drama and readings that linger on some surprising moments in the nativity story, followed by a dessert potluck in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a treat to share, or just come and receive this experience at the heart of our faith story.

November/December Giving Tree: The Missions Team supports the focus of WDM Human Services' wish lists for November and December. Contact Rusty Lewis, Mission Team Chair, if you have questions.

- **Grocery gift cards** are requested early in November for Thanksgiving meals. Purchase a card (\$25 increments, please) from your favorite grocery store and drop in the basket on the sound booth or place in the offering plate. **TODAY is the DEADLINE.** Monetary contributions are also welcome, mark your check "Food Gift Cards".
- **Toys and teen gift cards** in November. Place your unwrapped toy items or your gift cards under the giving tree by **December 10.**