PRAYER REQUESTS: Please use the blue prayer request cards in the pews for your prayer requests. Place them in the offering plate so Pastor can include them in the Pastoral Prayer.

LAY READER for today is Linda Schaller.

GREETER for today is Sharon Laverdure.

THE FLOWERS this week are given by Linda Schaller in honor of her son, Bill's, birthday.

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY this week are Linda Schaller and Jenny Collins.

Church Elders

Sharon Laverdure Ellie Buff
Sandra Rydell Judy Schreck Jim Hall
Phil Lawrence Debbie Prince Lisa Swanson

Church Staff

Nicole Vogel
Jen Carmella
Linda Schaller
Sami Carmella
Keith Karkut

Pastor Secretary Music Director Nursery Attendant Technology/Custodian

THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

<u>Today</u>

- ~ Adult Education, 9:00
- ~ Bell rehearsal, 9:00
- ~ Worship, 10:00 a.m.
- ~ Fellowship Hour with chili, salad & sandwiches

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November 26, 2023
Service for the Lord's Day
All Services are Live-Streamed

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "For the Beauty of the Earth" ARR. CONRAD KOCHER

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

UNISON CALL TO WORSHIP (PSALM 100)

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name. For the LORD is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations. Amen.

*HYMN NO. 367 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

*UNISON PRAYER OF THE DAY

Most holy God, we give You thanks for bringing us out of the shadow of night into the light of morning; and we ask You for the joy of spending this day in Your service, so that when evening comes, we may once more give You thanks, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Let us bless the Lord: Thanks be to God! Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most holy and merciful Father: You are the God of Abundance, Provision, and Plenty, yet so many do not have enough, so many are burdened by far too much, so many squander what they have, so many do strive to get more. The "many" include me Lord. Have mercy. Help me choose collaboration over competition, gratitude over greed, rest over hustle, generosity over fear. Help me choose You and Your ways, always. Amen

☐ Moment for Silent Reflection **☐**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI (Pg. 581 in red hymnal)

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.

*THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you!

P: And also with you!

HYMN NO. 836 "Abide with Me"

THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT Daniel 2: 17-23 (Pg. 821)

EPISTLE *Ephesians 5: 18b-20 (Pg. 194)*

GOSPEL John 11: 38-42 (Pg. 105)

L: Word of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God

SERMON "In Gratitude or Ingratitude" RUTH GARDINER

HYMN NO. 14 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

SENDING

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY 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.

PASTORAL PRAYER 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 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.

HYMN NO. 475 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "The Ash Grove" TRADITIONAL WELSH AIR