

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 Callie Falzone.

GREETER for today is Margie Staffaroni.

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY this week are Rylee and Sienna Mehringer.

THE FLOWERS are given this week by Mano Miller in loving memory of Paul and Booter Miller.

DEACON of the month is Margie Staffaroni.

Church Staff

Nicole Vogel
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Linda Schaller
Bob Lee
Sami Carmella

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Music Director
Sexton
Nursery Attendant

THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

Today ~ Adult Ed. class, 9:00 in conference rooms 1 & 2
~ Worship, 10:00 a.m.
~ Bell rehearsal following worship

Monday ~ Nexus Deadline

Coming up . . . Deacon's meeting, Sunday November 7th, following worship

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(*Indicates to stand, in body or spirit)

October 24, 2021

Pledge Sunday

Service for the Lord's Day

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Open the Eyes of My Heart" ARR. CAROL TORNQUIST

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: All good gifts around us are sent from heaven, so thank our God
P: For joy in living
L: and patience in troubles;
P: For wisdom to walk the right path.
L: and peace to calm our anxiousness.
P: All good gifts are sent from heaven,
ALL: So let our songs arise and give thanks for all God's love!

*HYMN (on insert)

"Count Your Blessings"

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord, we gratefully acknowledge the gifts you have given to each of us for service in your world. Gifts of teaching, healing, inspiring, challenging and creating are all among the myriad of things you have placed in our lives. Direct our lives to use these gifts to further Your kingdom here on earth. We pray this in Jesus' name. AMEN.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of amazing grace, you have asked us to give of ourselves, wholly and completely. We have heard your call and have responded with great affirmation and joy. Yet there are times when we fall short. Times when we forget. Times when we focus on the wrong things. Times when we waste our time, talents and treasures on worldly things and not into the ministries You have called us too. Help us to give bravely, with hope in Your faithfulness. Help us to give all of ourselves to furthering Your kingdom here on earth by giving back with joy for all You have been blessed with. 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!**

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

ARR. DAVID LANTZ III

HYMN NO. 14

“For The Beauty of The Earth”

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

L: Gracious God, as we turn to your Word for us, may the Spirit of God rest upon us. Help us to be steadfast in our hearing, in our speaking, in our believing and in our living. Amen.

THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT

Deuteronomy 15:7-11, 19-21 (Pg. 171)

NEW TESTAMENT

Revelation 5:6-12 (Pg. 248)

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1 (Pg. 173)

L: Word of God for the people of God
P: **Thanks be to God**

SERMON

“Spiritual Tool, Our Best”

Pastor Nicki

HYMN NO. 711

“Lord of All Good”

APOSTLES' CREED

(Pg. 35 in red hymnal)

SENDING

DEDICATION OF PLEDGES AND OFFERINGS

THANKSGIVING, 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. 700

“I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Lord, I Lift Your Name On High”

BY RICK FOUNDS