

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 Jim Hall.

GREETER for today is Lisa Swanson.

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY this week are Kathy Kauderer, Allan Erbe, Sandy Gordon, Christy Pedersen and Donald Hopkins.

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

DEACON of the month is Linda Schaller.

Church Staff

Nicole Vogel	Pastor
Jen Carmella	Secretary
Linda Schaller	Music Director
Bob Lee	Sexton
Sami Carmella	Nursery Attendant
Keith Karkut	Technology

THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

Today	~ Adult Ed. class, 9:00 in conference rooms 1 & 2
	~ Worship, 10:00 a.m.
	~ Interfaith Community Thanksgiving Service, 7:00 p.m.

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(*Indicates to stand, in body or spirit)

November 21, 2021
Service for the Lord’s Day

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE (Bell Choir) “Fairest Lord Jesus” ARR. VENITA MACGORMAN

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: King of all the earth, Creator of the universe, Holy Triune God, from everlasting to everlasting, you are Lord. You are merciful and full of loving-kindness and great compassion;
P: We will rejoice, for your grace, O Lord, has overflowed for us. You have washed us thoroughly from our wickedness and cleansed us from our sin;
L: Your grace, O Lord, has overflowed for us. Against you alone have we sinned, and to you alone do we look for restoration;
P: We will rejoice, for your grace, O Lord, has overflowed for us. Who is like our God, the One who takes away the iniquity of his people, the One who gives them clean hearts and right spirits?
L: Your grace, O Lord, has overflowed for us.
ALL: We rejoice today before our God, the Holy One. Come to God with thanksgiving and let us offer the sacrifice of praise!

*HYMN #367 “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Holy God, in whom the pure in heart can see, give us holy eyes and hands. We lift them up to You. Wash our hearts with Your Spirit, that we may see and worship You in truth. In the name of the one who gives us all we have, Christ Jesus. Amen.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Just and merciful God, this prayer should not be necessary. Common honesty should be a matter of course among disciples whom Jesus has claimed and led into His church. Yet, we do have things to confess on this score—things well concealed from view, half-hidden even from ourselves. Have we never cheated or been dishonest in our words and actions? Have we always been truthful in our responses? Have we ever protested any misrepresentation in our lives, or have we condoned it? Lord forgive us for our dishonesty. Help us to be honest in all ways including honest with ourselves. For you see all things even things we don’t always see about ourselves. O God, thank you for Your mercy. Open our eyes to see who You created us to be and help us to live as Your people. 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. 36 “For the Fruit of All Creation”

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit, illumine the sacred page, we pray, that our minds may be open to receive your Word, our hearts taught to love it, and our wills strengthened to obey it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT *Psalm 51:1-12 (Pg.520)*

NEW TESTAMENT *Luke 16:1-13(Pg. 79)*

EPISTLE *2 Timothy 2:14-19 (Pg. 212)*

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

SERMON “Honesty, The Best Policy” Pastor Nicki

HYMN NO. 20 “All Things Bright and Beautiful”

APOSTLES’ CREED (Pg. 35 in red hymnal)

SENDING

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

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. 647 “Give Thanks”

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” ARR. CINDY BERRY