

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.

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY this week is Stacey Mattern and Tim Swanson.

CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY this week are Greg and Lisa Menio.

THE FLOWERS this week are given by Linda Schaller in memory of her parents, Bill and Ruth Moore.

DEACON of the month is Linda Schaller.

GREETERS for today are Rick and Becca Sanker.

Church Elders

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

Church Staff

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

THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

<u>Today</u>	~ Bell Choir rehearsal, 9:15 a.m. ~ Adult Ed. Class, 9:00 a.m. ~ Worship, 10:00 a.m. ~ Fellowship Hour, following worship ~ Inspararity Dialogues, 7:00 p.m.
<u>Monday</u>	~ 5-7 Year Planning Commission, 4:15 pm
<u>Saturday</u>	~ Advent Wreath making at Christ Pres. of the Slate Belt, 10:00

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November 13, 2022  
Service for the Lord’s Day  
All Services are Live-Streamed

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE                      “Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him”  
Bell Choir                      ARR. MARTHA THOMPSON

GATHERING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We are here Lord, your people, your Church, gathering in Your presence.  
**P: We are open to each other, and we are open to You.**  
L: We meet as brothers and sisters in Christ, accepting the responsibility this places upon Us, to love one another as you have loved us.  
**P: We meet as your lights in this dark world.**  
**All: We pray, that through our words and our lives, others might be drawn into your family where all can belong, as we worship You today.**

\*HYMN NO. 664                      “Morning Has Broken”

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Gracious and loving God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit: We praise You for how wide, how high, and how deep is Your vast love for all people. Your love transcends our divisions and differences. Your wide and welcoming love for all challenges us. Your arms of welcome are out wide. So we come, not perfect and not even very spiritual. Open our hearts to hearing whatever way You are calling us. Amen .**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy One, we bow our heads in confession ever mindful of our sins and shortcomings. We struggle to take responsibility for our community. We become overwhelmed by social media and despair. We avoid taking action to reduce poverty, increase education, relieve suffering, comfort the mourner, support the widow and orphan, visit the prisoner, feed the hungry and encourage those struggling with the complexities of life. O Lord, our God, forgive us and put a right spirit within us. Increase our faith. Make us faithful witnesses to Your grace and love. Enable us to make a meaningful difference in our communities and all the earth. In the name of the Christ, we pray. 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. 37 “Let All Things Now Living”

**THE WORD**

OLD TESTAMENT *Jeremiah 29:1,4-7 (Pg.731)*

NEW TESTAMENT *2 Timothy 2:8-15 (Pg. 212)*

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

SERMON “Quality Control” Rev. Ed Freeborn

HYMN NO. 31 “Let Us with a Gladsome Mind”

STATEMENT OF FAITH adapted from Psalm 66: 1-3,8-12  
**Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise. Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of Your great power, your enemies cringe before You. Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard, who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip. For You, O God, have tested us; You have tried us as silver is tried. You brought us into the net; You laid burdens on our backs; You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water; yet You have brought us out to a spacious place.**

**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.**

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.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

HYMN NO. 765 “May the God of Hope Go With Us”

POSTLUDE “He Is Exalted” BY TWILA PARIS

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