

# GILEAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our Mission is to be a welcoming and caring church, committed to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit to do God's work in our community and beyond.

**Sunday, November 26, 2017, 10:00 a.m.**  
**34<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A**

## **WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD**

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*During the opening music, let us quiet the noise from outside, cease our conversations with the world and begin listening for the music of God's voice.*

### OPENING MUSIC

"Crown Him With Many Crowns"  
Organ

By: George Elvey  
Arr: By: John Troutman

### OPENING SCRIPTURE

Psalms 100:4-5

Leader: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and God's courts with praise!

**People: Give thanks to God and bless God's holy name; for the Lord is good.**

Leader: God's steadfast love endures forever.

**People: God's faithfulness extends to all generations.**

### \*BLUE HYMNAL #551

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING PRAYER

### UNISON CONFESSION OF SIN

Loving God, we gather today rich in blessing. Forgive us, Lord, if we believe that we merit the wealth and comforts that we enjoy. Forgive us, our God, for comfortably closing our eyes to the faces of the poor that stare in our direction. Lord, have mercy on us. With bellies full of grain and meat, we offer token gestures to the hungry in our world, and we feel we have done enough. Forgive us, God, for keeping a distance between "us" and "them," for closing our ears to the cries of the hungry. Lord, have mercy on us. With hands tightly clasping our treasures on earth, we cannot reach out to our oppressed brothers and sisters around this world. Forgive us for clinging to our own possessions rather than to you. Unite us with hearts of thanksgiving, that we may work to insure freedom and justice for all. Amen.

### SILENT PRAYER

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI**

**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 OF CHRIST**      Leader: Peace be with you.      **People: And also with you.**

ANTHEM                              Tune "My Heart to Sing Thy Grace"                              Arr. By: Mark Hayes  
Senior Choir, Cameron Mackie, Trumpetor

**WE PROCLAIM THE WORD**

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING      Ezekiel 34:11-16      (page 756 in your pew Bible OT)

NEW TESTAMENT READING      Matthew 25:31-46      (page in 27-28 your pew Bible NT)

SERMON                              *Dark Meat or White?*                              Rev. Martin McGeachy

**WE SEAL THE WORD**

**\*BLUE HYMNAL #554**      "Let All Things Now Living"

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**WE BEAR THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

JOYS AND CONCERNS,

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY	“All Hail The Power of Jesus’ Name”	Gerhard Krapf
	Sr. Choir	Arr. By: Oliver Holder

**\*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.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**\*BLUE HYMNAL #555**      **“Now Thank We All Our God”**

\*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION	“We Thank You, Lord	Senior Choir
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POSTLUDE	“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”	By: George Elvey
	Organ	Arr. By: Mary McDonald

\*Please stand if possible.

**BOLD:** Congregation responds/sings

If you wish to take your infant or toddler out of the sanctuary, you may listen to the service in the large Sunday School room.

The flowers this morning are donated by Mary Temple in celebration of Julie Temple-Stan’s birthday!

Please keep in your prayers this week Jennifer Goosechिल्ds, Jose Ojeda, Warren Behan, Elizabeth Ojeda, Barbara Backus, Nana, Our beautiful Church that our pews will be always full, People of South Sudan, family, friends, and for inner peace.

**The Food Pantry needs your help!** The Food Pantry could especially use donations of complete pancake mix, syrup, mayo, jelly, rice, tuna, coffee, tea, cake mix & frosting, cat food, dog food, soap (bath & dish), paper towels, toilet paper. Donations by cash or check are always welcome. Checks should be made out to Gilead Presbyterian Church with Food Pantry on the memo line. Thank you!

## This Week at Gilead

Today Sunday, November 26

- 9:00 a.m. Senior Choir
- Lay Reader:
- Ushers: **NEEDED**
- Praise Singers and Music Makers will rehearse during Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Gilead Carolers Rehearsal in Sunday School Room for tree lighting
- Kids' Kitchen for December is Paper goods and/or 2lb. bag of rice
- Poinsettia orders accepted – See Margery Amato or MaryLou Cassidy

Monday, November 27

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise

Tuesday, November 28

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Wednesday, November 29

- 4:30 P.M. Junior Bell Chimes
- 6:30 p.m. Senior Bell Chimes
- 7:45 p.m. Senior Choir

Thursday, November 30

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Friday, December 1

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Saturday, December 2

- 5 p.m. Christmas Tree Lighting at Cornerstone Park; Carol singers of all ages needed

Sunday, December 3

- 9:00 a.m. Senior Choir
- Lay Reader: Jose' Ojeda
- Ushers:

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**December 4-12** volunteers needed for Brewster Emergency Shelter; See Stephanie Gould

**December 10, 1:30 p.m.** Candlelight Vigil, Fellowship Hall, Trinity Lutheran Church, Rt 6, Brewster

**December 10, 3 p.m.** Patterson Community Church cantata with ecumenical choirs

**December 16, 5:30 p.m.** Youth Holiday P.J. after Evening Worship: crafts, story teller: David Engel reads, Polar Express

**December 17, 3 p.m.** Carol singing to shut-ins; Please let Martin or Mary know of any homebound and who would like to join in singing with us!

**Sunday, December 24 Services at 10 a.m. (with pageant) and 7:30 p.m. Candlelight Service**

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