

This Week at Gilead

Today Sunday, November 17

- 9:15 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse for worship.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship.
- Following worship, join us for coffee/fellowship in the lounge.

Monday, November 18

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class.

Wednesday, November 20

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom; the link is in the weekly email.

Thursday, November 21

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class.
- 7:00 p.m. Gilead Singers rehearsal.

Friday, November 22

- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Gilead Food Pantry

Sunday, November 24 **Thanksgiving/Stewardship Sunday**

- 8:20 a.m. Gilead Bell Chimes rehearse to play in worship.
- 9:15 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship. CRE Edgar Hayes, preaching.
- Please join us after worship as we green the church in preparation for Advent!

November Mission: Putnam Community Action Program is collecting NEW children's winter coats. Please leave the store tag on them. You can bring the coats to church or give money to me, and I will purchase the coats. Thank you for supporting this important mission project for the children of our community! -Redd Behan, Youth Deacon

Upcoming:

Tuesday, November 26- Joint Thanksgiving Service at Patterson Community Church, 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to sing with our combined choir; practice will be at PCC at 6:30 p.m. Please bring non-perishable goods for our food pantries, and some goodies to share after the service.

Saturday, December 7- Gilead Open House, 4:00 – 6:30 p.m. We'll have hot drinks and goodies, along with live music, for our neighbors attending the Holiday on the Lake festivities.

Looking Ahead: Saturday, December 21- Carol singing, leaving at 2:45 p.m. from the church parking lot. Let Mary know if you're interested in joining the carolers.

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Convinced of God's Grace, we affirm that there can be no exclusiveness in the body of Christ. We welcome all regardless of race, ethnic heritage, national origin, age, ability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic standing; and we encourage the full participation of all in the life of our congregation.

Sunday, November 17, 2024, 10:00 a.m.
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

We welcome Rev. Perry Wootten to the pulpit today!

OPENING MUSIC "For All The Blessings of the Year" by David Hegarty
Mary Temple, organ

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

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 78)

Leader: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
All: We will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord and his might and the wonders that he has done.

***GRAY HYMNAL #561 "We Gather Together"**

OPENING PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Lord, we recognize that our temperaments are not always well-regulated, that we can become complacent in the face of evil, or angry when unprovoked. Help us to look to you, Lord, for guidance to a peaceful outlook and forgive us for our moments of pride and anger. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***THE GLORIA: Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, 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 "Bringing in the Sheaves" arr. by Jay Althouse
Gilead Singers

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

The children are dismissed to Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

⁶ Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; ⁷ let the wicked forsake their way and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. ⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. ⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. ¹⁰ For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, ¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. *Isaiah 55:6-11*

¹⁰ Now you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, ¹¹ my persecutions, and my sufferings, the things that happened to me in Antioch, Iconium, and Lystra. What persecutions I endured! Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. ¹² Indeed, all who want to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. ¹³ But wicked people and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving others and being deceived. ¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. *Timothy 3:10-17*

¹³ Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶ but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" ¹⁹ He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²² Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." ²⁵ Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. ²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with

them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴ They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread. *Luke 24:13-35*

SERMON

"On Gripping God's Word"

Rev. Perry Wootten

*GRAY HYMNAL #385

"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

CONG. RESPONSE (PURPLE HYMNAL #469) "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"The Lord God Made Them All" by R. E. Schram & C. F. Alexander
Gilead Singers with Nicole Summers, violin

***DOXOLOGY: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*GRAY HYMNAL #389

"More About Jesus"

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

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POSTLUDE

"Now Let All the Heavens Adore Thee"
Mary Temple, organ

by Phillipp Nicolai
Harmonized by J.S. Bach

*The congregation is invited to stand. **BOLD:** Congregation responds/sings.

*Thank you to our Lay Reader today, Mariah Warren,
and our videographer, Josh Steinberg.*



Weekly Announcements

Operation Christmas Child: Please place your boxes on the table in the lounge. We will bless these gifts following worship.

Orders for Christmas Poinsettias, to be placed on the altar, will be taken from now until December 1st. Please see Margery Amato to sign up.

Ways you can help spread the joy of Christmas:

-contribute goodies for our Open House on Saturday, December 7th. A sign-up sheet will be in the lounge. Please bring your items by 3:30 as we set up.

-help make Christmas special for our adopted families. Wish list items will be posted in the lounge- grab a tag, buy & wrap the present, and attach the tag to the package.

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