

RINGING THE BELLS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Bill Wassner

OPENING MUSIC

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Mary Hurley

Leader: God calls to us in the midst of present circumstance.

People: We hear Your call, O Lord.

Leader: God desires our presence in relationship more than any act of obedience.

People: In Your presence, O Lord, is fullness of life.

Leader: Lean not into Your own understanding--let go and let God!

People: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead.

Unison: We press toward the goal for which God has called us heavenward in Christ Jesus.

*OPENING HYMN

"Higher Ground"

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*UNISON INVOCATION

O patient and ever-present God, shake us from the slumber of apathy and routine, and awaken us to the promise of this day, fresh and full of possibility. Ground us in Your presence and steadfast love; center us in the knowledge of Your grace. Kindle in us a new excitement for this awesome journey to which You call us. In the name of Jesus Christ, who is Himself the Journey, and the Guide. Amen.

*RESPONSE

"Gloria Patri"

(on screen)

MORNING PRAYER

Pastor Bill

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And with you also.

Leader: Let us pray...

Concluding with *The Lord's Prayer*

(on screen)

Organ Response

SPECIAL MUSIC

Kerri Kappler, *flute*

"We Gather Together/Count Your Blessings" (arr. B. Adams)

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY

Pastor Mary

*DOXOLOGY *"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"* **(on screen)**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We rejoice that we are able to love, O God, because You first loved us. May these gifts be used by Your church as agents of Your love, compassion and justice, that we might provide for our neighbors' needs with more than bread alone, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 25: 1-13 (NLT)

HYMN OF PREPARATION *"Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"* **(on screen)**

SERMON

HURRY UP AND WAIT!

Pastor Bill

*CLOSING HYMN *"Blessed Assurance"* **# 362**

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *"Living for Jesus"* **(on screen)**

*RINGING THE BELLS

*CLOSING MUSIC

The week ahead...

SUNDAY - 11/12

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship
- 9:30 am Praise Singers practice
- 10:00 am Discovery Music practice
- 10:00 am Breakfast, Sunday School
- 11:00 am Discovery Worship
- 12:00 pm Kitchen/Dining Room Reserved

MONDAY - 11/13

- 8:00 am HeadStart
- 9:30 am Senior Exercise Class

TUESDAY - 11/14

- 8:00 am HeadStart
- 8:00 am Weight Watchers
- 10:00 am 4C Play & Learn
- 3:00 pm Open Gym
- 5:15 pm Weight Watchers
- 5:30 pm Gym Reserved

WEDNESDAY - 11/15

- 8:00 am HeadStart
- 9:30 am Senior Exercise Class
- 3:00 pm Open Gym]
- 6:00 pm Handbell Choir
- 6:00 pm Discovery Music
- 7:00 pm Traditional Choir

THURSDAY - 11/16

- 8:00 am HeadStart
- 10:00 am Discovery Bible Study
- 3:00 pm Open Gym
- 5:30 pm Women at the Well
- 5:30 pm 208, 213, & Gym reserved
- 5:45 pm Music Board
- 6:00 pm D/E/T Meetings

6:30 pm Council (NOTE TIME CHANGE)

FRIDAY - 11/17

- 8:00 am HeadStart
- 9:30 am Senior Exercise Class
- 4:00 PM Building Reserved

Those who serve...

Nursery Attendants

November 12

- 9:00 am & S.S. Hour Stacey Henderson
- 11:00 am Stacey Henderson & Janine Koehler

November 19

- 9:00 am & S.S. Hour Stacey Henderson
- 11:00 am Stacey Henderson & Theresa Herrenbruck

Greeters

November 12

- 9:00 am Larry & Kathy Vonderahe
- 11:00 am Shannon Jackson & Karla Smith

November 19

- 9:00 am Kookie & Gary Ruminer
- 11:00 am Judy Batteiger, Judy Lockhart

Ushers

November

- 9:00 am Bob Dreier, Captain; Louie Busckill, Don Lindenber, Rusty Yeager, Jim Geiser, Darlene Dycus
- 11:00 am Ralph Heneisen, Captain; Shawn Heneisen, Fred Huck, Tom Huck, Chris Kirwer, Gary Ruminer

Deacon (offering)

November

- 9:00 am Dee McDonald
- 11:00 am Keith Krietenstein

SUNDAY - 11/19 - Thanksgiving Sunday

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship
- 9:30 am Praise Singers practice
- 10:00 am Discovery Music practice
- 10:00 am Breakfast, Sunday School
- 10:00 am Hospitality Donuts
- 11:00 am Discovery Worship

12:00 pm -

6:00 pm Deck the Halls of St. Paul's

The flowers on the altar are from the *Memorial Flower Fund* in memory of: **Phyllis Roeder**, who would have celebrated her birthday on November 12, by Marjorie Mills-Schmidt and Barbara Waite.

Rev. Dr. William J. Wassner, *Senior Pastor*
Rev. Mary Hurley, *Associate Pastor*
Andrea Williams, *Director of Traditional Music*
Kasey Gathercole & Katie Maurer, *Co-Directors of Discovery Music*
Rick Hobbs, *organist* † Katie Maurer, *pianist*

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Twenty-third
Sunday
after
Pentecost

Traditional Worship
November 12, 2017
9:00 AM

