

Please join us next Sunday, after worship service, for Hanging of the Greens! We invite you for food and fellowship. Feel free to bring salads, desserts, etc. We will gather for lunch after the service and then decorate the church. We look forward to seeing you there!



“The Calm Before the Storm or the Storm Before the Calm”



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**Twenty-Fifth Sunday
After Pentecost
November 14, 2021
10:00 a.m.**

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

WELCOME Lisa Huck

PRELUDE Katie Maurer

RINGING OF THE BELLS

*OPENING HYMN "O Jesus I Have Promised" # 446 (vs 1,4)

*CALL TO WORSHIP Lisa Huck

Leader: Bless the Lord who counsels and guides us.

People: Because we keep the Lord ever before us, we shall not be moved.

Leader: Rejoice! Let your hearts be glad! Let your spirits rejoice and your bodies rest secure.

People: For God does not give us up to death, but shows us the path of life. Praise the Lord!

*INVOCATION (in unison)

Holy God, creator of all that is and is to come, you made the world and called it good. We thank you and praise you, for we have wreaked havoc on your good creation, yet you promise to make all things whole and live among us in joy and peace. Keep us watchful for Christ's coming, enliven our hope, and support us through the birth pangs of your new creation, that we may welcome you with songs of praise. Amen.

*RESPONSE- Gloria Patri # 614

MORNING PRAYER Pastor Mary

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

CONTEMPORARY SONG "Sing to the King"

SCRIPTURE Mark 13: 1-8 (NRSV) Lisa Huck

SERMON Pastor Mary
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INVITATION TO THE OFFERING Pastor Mary
With glad and generous hearts, let us bring our offerings to God.

OFFERTORY "The Lord Our God" Katie Maurer
(Ingram, Stanfill)

*RESPONSE "Doxology" # 621

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (in unison)

How can we thank you, O God, for all that you have done? You give us life; you give us hope; you give us your very self. Take our offerings-and our very selves-that your will may be done in our church, in our community, and throughout your wide and beautiful world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN "Be Still, My Soul" # 364 (vs 1,3)

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE