

**November 20, 2022 ~ Christ the King Sunday**

**Gathering Music** ~ *“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”* (arr. Raney) ~ Leigh Emmett

**Welcome and Announcements** ~ Pam Phillips, liturgist

**Prelude** ~ *“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”* (G. J. Elvey) ~ Chancel Bells

**Call to Worship** ~ *responsive*

Leader: Come friends, let us worship and thank God for the gifts the Lord has given to us.

**People:** God has cared and provided for us all the days of our lives.

Leader: And God has blessed us with the gifts of the Spirit and a comforter, guide and friend with that same Spirit.

**People:** God our Father, Jesus the Son, and Holy Spirit, thank you for all that you have done and will do. Amen.

*\*you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

*\*Hymn #37 ~ “Let All Things Now Living”*

**Invitation to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession** ~ *in unison*

Lord, we thank you for your gifts to us. For the times when we have forgotten thankfulness, forgive us. May we remember all that we have comes from you.

And may we faithfully respond when you call us into service in the Kingdom of God. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer).

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**Responsive Chorus #406** ~ *“We Are Standing on Holy Ground”*

*We are standing on holy ground, and I know that there are angels all around;  
let us praise Jesus now; we are standing in his presence on holy ground.*

**Passing the Peace**

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

**Responsive Chorus** ~ *“I Love This Family”* (arr. C. Bowes)

*I love this family of God, so closely knitted into one,*

*They’ve taken me into their midst and I’m so glad to be a part of this great family.*

**Offering Prayer and Dedication of the 2023 Stewardship Commitments**

\*Offertory #835 - *"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"* (refrain only)  
*Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea,  
daily walking close to thee; let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

### Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Jeremiah 23:1-6

Special Music ~ *"Simple Gifts"* (J. Brackett Jr.) ~ Celebration Choir

Christian Scripture ~ Mark 2:1-12

Message ~ "Feeding People: Spirit"

Special Music ~ *"We Come to Say Thank You"* (P. Choplin)

A time for sharing the joys and concerns of our community.

Prayer Preparation#469 ~ *"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"*  
*Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit to this place.  
Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.*

The Lord's Prayer ~ *in unison*

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.

\*Hymn #643 ~ *"Now Thank We All Our God"*

### \*Benediction

\*Response ~ *"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"* (v. 1)

*Precious Lord, take my hand; lead me on, help me stand;*

*I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.*

*Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light;*

*take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.*

Postlude ~ *"Holy Ground"* with *"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"* (arr. Berry)

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The 2023 Stewardship Commitments will be dedicated today.  
Thank you for prayerfully considering your pledge to St. Paul's.

**As the season of Advent begins next Sunday, November 27, all who are able are invited to join in tomorrow, Monday, November 21 beginning at 9:00AM, to help with decorating the sanctuary and the lobby for the season!**

**There is a gold box in the Narthex where you may submit your suggestions to Pastor Nate for his upcoming "Fireside Chat" series. Or you may email your suggestions to [sppcemail@stpaulspresbyterian.church](mailto:sppcemail@stpaulspresbyterian.church) and they will be given to Pastor Nate, anonymously, of course.**

**The church will be closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday from Wednesday, November 23 through Saturday, November 26.**

**A note from Mike Graham...**

**"Carol and I want to thank everyone for the prayers offered on our behalf.**

**I know that they helped us during this difficult time, and we wanted to tell everyone how grateful we are."**

**May God bless you all with peace and joy,  
Mike & Carol Graham**

**A message from Mark Handford...**

**1. Please talk to Mark about your willingness to commit to an 'Advent season with the choir'.**

**1. If you are able to make it to Thursday rehearsals at 7pm, great!**

**2. Or if you are able, at least join us Sunday mornings at 9:30am.**

**i. "if you sing loud, great ... if tentative, at least sing with us"!**

**The Adult Forum will be offering a four week Advent Video Series entitled *All the Good: A Wesleyan Way of Christmas* beginning November 29th on Tuesday mornings at 9am online and in person at the church! All are welcome to participate! Join us online at: [meet.google.com/ofb-mozw-shc](https://meet.google.com/ofb-mozw-shc) or by phone: 513-818-1609 PIN: 389 490 359# or in person in Room 11! Prepare the way to Christmas and beyond with fellow believers following in God's way!**

**Highlights from the November 15 Session meeting:**

**1 Monday, November 21st will be the day we decorate for Advent. All volunteers needed.**

**2 A Congregational meeting is called for Sunday, December 11, 2022 for the purpose of electing officers.**

**3 There will be a Christmas Cantata on Sunday, December 18, 2022.**

**4 Installation-Ordination of Officers will be January 8, 2023.**

**5 The office will be closed for Holiday hours:**

**November 23, 2022; December 26 & 27, 2022; January 2 & 3, 2023; January 16, 2023**

**All are invited to the Redford Civic Symphony Holiday Concert which will be held in the sanctuary on Sunday, December 4 at 3:00PM.**

**Please hold those listed in prayer... and REVIEW and REPORT updates, PLEASE**



Bill Garvey, Mike Graham, Janet Frank, Grace Erwin, August Kornowicz, Karen Bright  
Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Joyce Barton, Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Jerry Stone  
Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips  
Sister-in law and nephew of Pat Garvey, Linda Thompson & her sister, Shirley Kircoff  
Joan Velis and family; Westin ~ infant grandson of Jeanne Sinclair  
John Branch ~ father of Christie Piastowski  
Dave Schulz ~ nephew of Carol & Mike Graham  
Rita Czanko ~ cousin of Terry Earnley  
John Candiloro ~ friend of August Kornowicz  
Ray & Mary Clark ~ neighbors of Don & Meta Tulley  
Sarah & Mason Young ~ family of Judy McGregor  
Chris O'Neill, Tracey Ford, Phil Decker & Vickie McVeigh ~ friends of Judy McGregor  
Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August & Faith Kornowicz  
Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie Whitlock  
Rosemary Iaquina ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel; Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen  
Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham; Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck  
Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit  
Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright  
Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike & Carol Graham  
Mark Osborne ~ son of the late Janet  
Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda & Bob Seymour  
David Bonandrini ~ son of Ben; Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook  
Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips; Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo  
Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling & Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron & Janet Frank  
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon & Marion Davis