

Service of Thanksgiving

November 22, 2015 | 11:00 am | Wellshire Presbyterian Church

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

We Gather Together to Ask the Lord's Blessing | arr. by Craig Phillips

OPENING PRAYER

CHORAL INTROIT

All that Hath Life and Breath | René Clausen

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 67

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.

May God continue to bless us;

let all the ends of the earth revere the Lord.

* HYMN 363

Rejoice, the Lord Is King! | DARWALL'S 148TH

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the Harvest, the remembrance of your bounty humbles us with the consciousness of our unworthiness. We apologize for those times when we have been disobedient children or unprofitable people. We receive your gifts with little gratitude and used them with little care. Forgetting your promise of providence, we have been filled with anxious thoughts, afraid your faithfulness should fail or your mercies cease. Forgive us. Amen.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 394

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation, Vs. 4 | WESTMINSTER ABBEY
**Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one:
One in might and one in glory while unending ages run!**

PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL

TIME WITH CHILDREN

After the message, K-5th graders are dismissed to attend Children's Education.

ANTHEM

A Song of Thanksgiving | John Ferguson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON TEXT

Psalm 100 (OT p. 552)

SERMON

We Gather Together | The Rev. Dr. John H. Bell, Jr.

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RESPONDING IN GRATITUDE

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

* HYMN 367

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come | ST. GEORGE’S WINDSOR

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please fill out and pass the Friendship Pad.

CALL FOR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Hymn of Praise | Mack Wilberg

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SENDING FROM SANCTUARY TO SERVICE

* HYMN 37

Let All Things Now Living | ASH GROVE

* CHARGE

* BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE

Peace I Leave with You | René Clausen

* POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God | arr. by Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Leading Worship Today

The Rev. Dr. John H. Bell, Jr., Pastor
The Rev. Katie Robb Davis, Associate Pastor
The Rev. Kira Anderson, Associate Pastor
Karen Kaufman and Ted Griffith, Head Ushers

Dr. Michael Pohlenz, Director of Music
Jane Ripper, Associate Director of Music and Organist
Sanctuary Choir

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