

Worship Service on Monday, November 14, 2022 at 6:30 PM

Welcome and Greeting God is good **all the time**. All the time **God is good**.

Question of the Day When is there a free meal here at church?

a) Nov. 12 b) Nov. 14 c) Nov. 17 d) Nov. 24

***Hymn** “You Are My All In All”

***Call to Worship**

God is ready to answer us, even before we call.

God is eager to listen, though we are not ready to speak.

The hills sing together before God’s presence.

All of nature proclaims God’s glory.

Be glad! Rejoice in all that God is creating.

Welcome the new heaven and earth God has planned.

We worship God with great joy and delight.

We welcome God’s healing touch in our midst.

***Prayer of Invocation**

God of hosts, our strength and our salvation, there are no words large enough to praise you. No response by us can match the love you have shown us. Gather us now in your warm embrace, that our faith may be renewed and our work empowered to the honor and glory of your holy name. Amen.

Isaiah 65:17-25 New Revised Standard Version

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;

the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days,

or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,

and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity;

for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD – and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox;

but the serpent – its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

Luke 21:5-19 New Revised Standard Version

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, “As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.”

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

Response: *The Word of God, for the people of God! Thanks be to God!*

Hymn "I'll Fly Away"

Time of Prayer

How Is It With Your Soul?

Call to Confession

Just as the prophet Isaiah assured God's people so many years ago, he assures us now that God is our salvation. It is because of that confidence, because of that promise, that we dare approach God with our confession.

Prayer of Confession

God of peace we confess we are a people of fear. We have let anxiety rule our days and worry our nights. We have been distracted by nerves and focused on tension. We confess we have ignored your command to not be afraid. Forgive us, O God. Calm our hearts, settle our stomachs, and renew in us the ability to find our comfort in you.

Time of Silent Prayer

Assurance and The Lord's Prayer

The prophet Isaiah assures us: God is building a new heaven and a new earth; the former things will not be remembered or come to mind. Forgiven and freed, rejoice in what the Lord is creating in you, in all creation. And let us pray with Jesus:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Answer to the Question of the Day

Time of Offering *Thank you to everyone for your faithful generosity.*

***Offering Prayer**

God of the wolf and the lamb, the lion and the ox, we give thanks for these gifts and pray they might be agents of your peace. May they serve your creation as we seek your new heaven and new earth. Help us take these gifts out into a world filled with distress and calm it. Help us take these gifts out into a world filled with pain and heal it. Help us take these gifts out into a world filled with silence and speak up; in Jesus' name. Amen.

***Song of Offering** "In His Time"

Message "OT or NT?" Rev. Joyce Rich

***Commission and Blessing**

Go out into the world in peace. **Live fully.**

Build homes. **Plant vineyards.**

Give thanks. **Work for what is right.**

And now may the God of our salvation, our strength and our comfort,
guard our hearts and minds this day and evermore. Amen. **And Amen.**

***Hymn** “Forever”

Announcements

Read For Next Week: Jeremiah 23:1-6; Luke 23:33-43; Colossians 1:11-20

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