

SEEKING THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome Rev. J. Chris Michael

Bringing of the Light

Bell of Mindfulness (Please use this time for quiet reflection.)

Prelude *O Worship the King* J. Michael Haydn; arr. Forrest
Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano

*Call to Worship Vicki Quisenberry

One: From generation to generation, you are our God;

All: we praise and worship you!

One: Creator of our world, life force of every human being;

All: we praise and worship you!

One: Author of time, yet above and beyond all time;

All: we praise and worship you!

One: Steadfast in your love, each new day;

All: we praise and worship you!

*Hymn *Come, Christians, Join to Sing (vs. 1, 2)* 90

*Invocation and Lord’s Prayer (using “debts” and “debtors”) Vicki Quisenberry

Children’s Blessing Rev. Michael

First Scripture I Thessalonians 3:1-5 Vicki Quisenberry

Response One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Michael

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Message in Music *My Tribute* Crouch
Brian Belcher, soloist

Second Scripture I Thessalonians 3:6-13

Response One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *How Can We Thank God Enough for You?* Rev. Michael

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn *Trust and Obey (vs. 1, 3)* 556

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

Preparation for the Offering

*Doxology and Presentation of Gifts (Page 46)

*Dedication Prayer

RENEWING THE COVENANT IN THE LORD’S SUPPER

We are one in Christ, let everyone share in this communion without regard for denominational affiliation. You are invited to take the cup and bread after your prayers.

Invitation to Communion and Words of Institution Vicki Quisenberry

Prayer of Thanksgiving Vicki Quisenberry

Communion Music *Jerusalem, My Happy Home* arr. Page
Traditional American Melody

GOING IN PEACE TO LOVE AND TO SERVE

*Benediction Rev. Michael

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Flowers have been placed in the chancel by Jon & Jo Anne Skillman to the glory of God and in honor of our ministers and church staff who have all worked so diligently to find innovative ways to provide our weekly services and keep us going strong during this unprecedented time.

*Please stand if you are able.

I Thessalonians 3:6-13

6 But Timothy has just now come to us from you, and has brought us the good news of your faith and love. He has told us also that you always remember us kindly and long to see us—just as we long to see you. ⁷For this reason, brothers and sisters, during all our distress and persecution we have been encouraged about you through your faith. ⁸For we now live, if you continue to stand firm in the Lord. ⁹How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

October 25 at 9 AM – Online worship via Facebook, Mixlr, or The Church is Calling and **worship in-person for those with last names beginning with R, V, W, Y, Z.** Please remember to wear your mask.

October 25 at 5PM – Trunk or Treat - We are blocking off the parking lot for this year's event. Decorated vehicles will be spread throughout the lot. If you would like to participate by decorating the trunk of your vehicle and passing out goodies. **You will need to arrive by 4:30 to set up.** Let's make this a SPOOK-tacular event for our kids!

October 28 at 6:30AM – Men's Bible Study at Panera

November 1, All Saint's Sunday, at 9AM

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“Our mission is to manifest Christ’s love by empowering all to compassionate service.”

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