

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 *Prelude Op. 1, No., 17* Ann Jeannette Pierce
Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano

*Call to Worship Pam Woodward

One: As the apprentice looks to his craftsperson,

All: so we look to you, O God.

One: As a child looks to her mother or father,

All: so we look to you, O God.

One: As the loved one looks to their cherished partner,

All: so we look to you, O God.

One: As the seeker looks to a wise, faithful one,

All: so we look to you, O God.

One: As Jesus looked to the one he called “Abba,” Father,

All: so we look to you, O God.

*Hymn *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (vs. 1, 2)* 517

*Invocation and Lord’s Prayer (using “debts” and “debtors”) Pam Woodward

Children’s Blessing Rev. Michael

First Scripture Psalm 123 Pam Woodward

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 *Come Alive (Dry Bones)* Daigle
Sierra Logsdon, Soloist

Second Scripture Matthew 25:14-30

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Leaning Forward* Rev. Michael

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ (vs. 1, 2)* 422

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 Pam Woodward

Prayer of Thanksgiving Pam Woodward

*Communion Music *Impromptu No. 3* Franz Schubert
Morgan Booher, cello

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 on the chancel to the glory of God
and in memory of Clay Burns by his loving family.*

*Please stand if you are able.

Matthew 25:14-30

14 'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." ²¹His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." ²³His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²⁴Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." ²⁶But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

November 15 at 9 AM – Online worship via Facebook, Mixlr, or The Church is Calling and **worship in-person for those with last names beginning with F, G, J.** Please remember to wear your mask.

November 17 at 5:45PM – Zoom Board Meeting

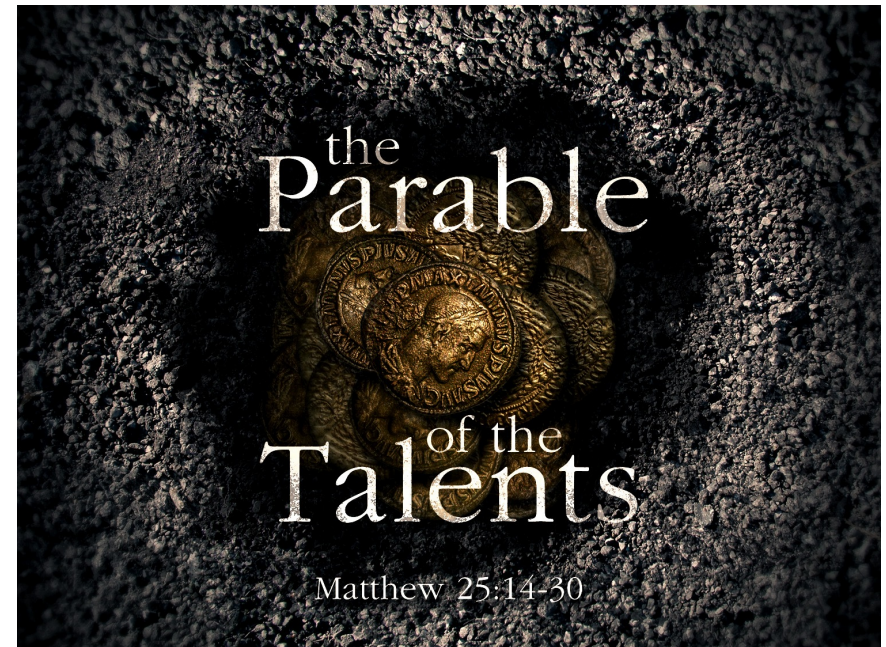
November 18 at 6:30 AM - Men's Bible Study at Panera

November 19 at 2:30PM – Refugee Food Pantry

November 22 at 9 AM – Online worship via Facebook, Mixlr, or The Church is Calling and **worship in-person for those with last names beginning with H, K, L, N.** Please remember to wear your mask.

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