Large print bulletin 11-12-2023

WELCOME Steve Brockman

PRELUDE Jenny Diehn & Gracie Buttimer-cello

"The Ash Grove" Carl Fischer

The prelude is offered on behalf of the congregation.
Quiet meditations and private prayers are encouraged.

***CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***GREETING** Debra Bishop

Leader: In the midst of a world where people hunger and thirst,
People: Come worship a God who feeds the hungry.
Leader: In the midst of a world where people are abused and oppressed,
People: Come worship a God who calls for compassion and justice.
Leader: In the midst of a world filled with wars and rumor of war,
People: Come worship a God who desires nothing less than peace for the world.
Leader: In the midst of a world where love is not freely shown and forgiveness is hard to find,
People: Come worship a God whose grace and love know no end.

***"GOD OF THE AGES"** UMH#698

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** 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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***GLORI PATRI** UMH#71

SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:1-10 Liturgist: Debra Bishop

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Denisha Louth

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

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.

OFFERING

Tables are set up at the back of the sanctuary to receive your offering and mission basket donations.

"SEND US, LORD, TO EVERY NATION" Martin

St. James Chancel Choir

DOXOLOGY UMH#95

SERMON: Those Who Serve

Rev. Andrew Wolfe & Jack Fawcett, Ret. 1st Sgt. US Army

Scripture: John 15:9-14 page 878

***"THIS IS MY SONG"** UMH#437

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Mission Basket

This month's Mission Basket supports our Thanksgiving project where we support the Bethlehem Center and the Spartanburg Soup Kitchen as they help feed and clothe the hungry in our community.

Trustees: Today after church/Cannon classroom
Kid's Club: Today at 4pm in Fellowship Hall
United Youth: Today at 5pm at St. Paul UMC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanksgiving bag help: At 3pm today all of the items contributed for our Thanksgiving bag project will be sorted in the Narthex. Consider coming back to help!

Santa Shopper Time: Our annual Santa Shopper is open and ready for you! We have two displays of the gift items: in the nursery hallway and outside the Fellowship Hall. Money raised from this shopping experience will go to the Epworth Children's Home. Please make all checks out to St. James UMC. If you have items, you'd like to donate please price them and place them on the tables.

Church Family Thanksgiving Meal: Today is the deadline to purchase tickets for our annual Thanksgiving Lunch on Sunday, November 19. On the menu: turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, sweet potato casserole, pumpkin pie or death by chocolate cake and tea. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Adults are $16.00 and children under 10 are free.

Veterans Are Heroes Collection: Tomorrow is the deadline for the Women of Faith group's project to collect items for Veterans are Heroes. Containers are in the hallway across from church office and in the Narthex. Monetary donations are appreciated as well.

In Our Prayers

Jean Allison
Shirley Anderson
Nancy Becker
Phyllis Bird
Lila Cate Childs
Michael Crawley
Elouise Faulkner
Sara Gaulden
Julie Gencarelli
Al Hammerbeck
Rena Hamrick
Priscilla & Peter Heer
Lorelei Hightower
Betty Hughes
Nancy Hughston
Corbin Johnson, friend of Jean Richter, ATV accident
Denisha Louth
Shirley Lupton
Anne Lutz
Larry Mahaffey
Bryson Parler
Susan Plaxco
Todd Ramella
George Ricker
Irene Ruskin
Bob Scott
Joyce Scott
Ira Snead
Darlene Stacy
Irene Stone
Mary Stork
Linda Taylor
Ivy & Jude Thomas
Dotty & Jim Tubb
Caty Waterfield
Buddy Weathers
Barbara West
Jenny Woofter

Sympathies to the family of Iris Browning on her passing on Oct. 28.

Sympathies to Steve Thompson and his family on the passing of his mother, Linda Thompson on Nov. 4.