



Welcome, friends, from far and near. Let us worship God who is surely here. Let us pray, sing, share the Word and give; then let us joyfully go into God's world to live. \*Please indicate your desires for visitation, or information about joining Celebration Church on the Ritual of

Friendship Pad. \*Prayer cards are provided for sharing your joys and concerns. Please write your prayer request on the back of a prayer card and write your name on the front and the ushers will collect the prayer cards before the Prayers of the People.

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

We offer to you, O God, our praise and thanksgiving, for you are the Creator of all that is and giver of every good and perfect gift. Come and receive our worship and so fill us with your grace that we may live in thankfulness all the days of our lives. Amen.

Sunday, November 19, 2017      24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**THE CHURCH GATHERS**

Prelude      Sarah Abushakra  
Chiming the Hour

Introit      *Lord, We Thank You for this Day*  
Celebration Choir

**\*Hymn No. 37**      *Let All Things Now Living*      ASH GROVE

Greeting      The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**  
Welcome, Ritual of Friendship, Prayer Cards Announcements and Opening Prayer

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ      The Peace of Christ be with You. **And also with you!**  
*(Please exchange signs of Christ's peace with those near you and return to your seats as the music begins.)*

**TO WORSHIP THE LORD OUR GOD**

\*Responsive Call to Worship      Liturgist: Carla Baker  
It is good to give thanks to the Holy One, **to sing praises to your name, O Most High,**  
To declare your steadfast love in the morning, **and your faithfulness by night.**  
For you, O God, have made us glad by your work. **Thanks be to You, O God!**

**\*Hymn No. 475**      *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*      NETTLETON

Call to Confession      Liturgist: Carla Baker  
Friends, we all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. The good news is that with God, grace abounds and forgiveness is real to all who confess. Let us confess our sins collectively and then personally.

Unison Prayer of Confession      Liturgist: Carla Baker  
**Every day is a cause for celebration, Lord, but we tend to think that we can only celebrate on certain holidays. Each day is a reason to offer you thanks and praise, but we have left the offering of thanksgiving to one day each November. You give us so much, and we forget to express gratitude. You have entrusted us with many gifts, and we have failed to share what we have with others. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to express thanksgiving with each word and action. Amen.**

*Silence for Personal Confession*

Assurance of Pardon      Liturgist: Carla Baker  
Friends, hear the good news and believe it: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God.**

**\*Glory to God Hymn No. 582**      *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*      GLORY TO GOD  
\* *The children are invited to join the Pastor on the steps* \*

Time With Young Disciples      *Children's Church follows in Room 5*

**TO WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND SHARED STEWARDSHIP**

Prayers of the People – Sharing Our Joys and Concerns  
Prayer of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer ("debts and debtors")  
Giving of God's Tithe and Our Offerings and the Thanksgiving Offering for Thornwell  
Offertory      *Give Thanks*  
Celebration Choir

**\*Doxology Hymn No. 606**      *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*      OLD HUNDREDTH

\*Unison Prayer of Dedication      **We hear Paul's words of gratitude to you, O God, for the faith and work of your church. Like them, we want to be faithful and worthy of your work. Make us a generous people, ready and willing to work for you. Teach us to give thanks in all circumstances, that our lives may be linked forever to yours. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

**TO WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD AND SHARED WITNESS**

Scripture      **Matthew 25:14-30**      NRSV  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Sermon      *Too Many Talents to Waste*      NRSV

**AND RESPOND IN FAITHFUL SERVICE IN THE WORLD**

\*Charge and Benediction  
**\*Closing Hymn of the Month No. 648**      *Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise*      THANKFUL HEARTS  
1st time: Cantor, 2nd time: All

\*Postlude      Sarah Abushakra

(\*If able, please stand at these points in the service.)

CELEBRATION HAPPENINGS		
Sun Nov 19	Adult Bible Study	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children’s Church, He~Brews Café for Youth	11:00 am
	<b>Thanksgiving Offering for Thornwell</b>	
	<b>Stated Session Meeting</b>	12:15 pm
Wed Nov 22 -24	<b>Church offices and Preschool Closed</b>	
Thu Nov 23	<b>Thanksgiving (Church Office Closed)</b>	
Sun Nov 26	<b>CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY</b>	
	Adult Bible Study	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children’s Church	11:00 am

**Serving November 19**

**Visitor Table:** Priscilla Mulligan                      **Nursery:** Nanette Kelly  
**Children’s Church PreK-Kindergarten:** Tonja Paolini  
**Grades 1-5:** Trudy Miller                      **Preacher:** Tom Dendy  
**Media Shout:** Bernadine Lamar                      **Sound Board:** Carol Butler  
**Liturgist:** Carla Baker                      **Elder of the Week:** Carol Butler – 843-234-1573  
**Ushers:** Corey Jacobs, Margaret Reeder, Beth Bruton, Barb Johnson

**Serving November 26**

**Visitor Table:** Nanette Kelly                      **Nursery:** Donna Woodard  
**Children’s Church PreK-Kindergarten:** Tonja Paolini  
**Grades 1-5:** Trudy Miller                      **Preacher:** Tom Dendy  
**Media Shout:** Katrena White                      **Sound Board:** Nicklaus McIlrath  
**Liturgist:** Kathy Wechter                      **Elder of the Week:** Cecilia Evans – 843-236-1153  
**Ushers:** Jesse Wallace, Margaret Reeder, Beth Bruton, Barb Johnson

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