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GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE **Shenandoah Traditional American Folk Tune, arr. by Gene Roberson**

INTROIT **Together We Serve ~** TFWS VS 1,2, and 4

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.
The risen Christ is with us.
Praise the Lord!

***OPENING HYMN:** *Come, Ye Thankful People Come* **UMH #694**

OPENING PRAYER
Sovereign God, the wind blows, the water flows, and the sun shines. All creation declares your majesty. In you, we move, live, and have our being. Be glorified in our worship. Be known by our testimony. We proclaim your goodness from the east and the west, from the north and the south. On countrysides and city blocks, you reign. In deep valleys and skyscrapers, we declare that your realm extends from everlasting to everlasting. We worship you, Holy One, in spirit and in truth. Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & SILENT PRAYER
THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANTHEM **Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies by: Keith Bissell**

CHILDREN'S TIME

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
GOSPEL READING: Matthew 25:31-46

***HYMN** *Give Thanks* **TFWS #2036**

SERMON "The Least of These" **Pastor Brett**

APOSTLES' CREED **UMH p. 882**

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

Offertory **Prelude in C, no. 1 by Lorraine Forsdick**

***Doxology** **UMH #95**

***Prayer Of Dedication**
Compassionate Shepherd, you have blessed us beyond measure and taught us to find your face in the hungry, the lonely, the stranger, and the forgotten. Receive these gifts and receive our lives, that we may become people whose generosity flows not from obligation but from love. Use our offerings to feed, welcome, comfort, and restore, so that others may glimpse your kingdom through our care. And when we serve our neighbors, awaken us to the holy mystery that we are serving you. Shape us into disciples whose greatest joy is to love as Christ first loved us. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN** *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* **UMH #117**
***BENEDICTION & RESPONSE** **UMH #672**

POSTLUDE **They, The Builders of the Nation by Alfred M. Durham, arr. By Brian D. Petersen**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The Good Cup:** Enjoy conversation and a “cuppa” with Pastor Heidi & Pastor Carl, Wednesdays at noon at Jernabi Coffee House.
- **Christ The King Sunday & Greening of the Church:** November 22nd, following Worship. Join us to decorate the church and enjoy a pizza party afterwards.
- **Worship Team Meeting:** Sunday, November 29th, following Worship.
- **First Sunday in Advent:** November 29th.
- **Stewardship Sunday & Communion Sunday:** December 6th, Celebration luncheon following Worship.
- **Cheery'Os:** Next meeting TBD.
- **Potsdam Holiday Fund:** Meeting - Tuesday, December 8th, 5pm, carpeted room downstairs.
- **Potsdam Holiday Fund:** Setup - Sunday, December 6th, 2:00pm. Use of the entire basement - December 7th-19th all day everyday.
- **Blue Christmas Service:** For those who grieve and those who love them. Wednesday, December 16th, 7pm.
- **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service:** December 24th, 7pm.

Worship Participants

Microphone: Norm Gardner

Acolytes: Jordyn Fish, Ben Fish

Counters

Nov. 22:	Debby Nikkari, Carrie Livernois
Nov. 29:	Christa Carroll, Robin Howard
Dec. 6:	Tom Ortmeyer, Christa Carroll
Dec. 13:	Carrie Livernois, Tom Ortmeyer
Dec. 20:	Robin Howard, Debby Nikkari
Dec. 27:	Christa Carroll, Carrie Livernois

Readers

Nov. 22:	Christa Carroll
Nov. 29:	Kathy Demo
Dec. 6:	Nancy Matthews
Dec. 13:	Sharon Hutchinson
Dec. 20:	Carrie Livernois
Dec. 27:	Tom Ortmeyer

Greeters/Ushers

Nov. 22:	Norm Gardner
Nov. 29:	Kathy Demo
Dec. 6:	Nancy Matthews
Dec. 13:	Kathy Demo
Dec. 20:	Carrie Livernois
Dec. 24	TBA
Dec. 27:	Norm Gardner

Fellowship Time Hosts

Nov. 22:	Greening of the Church: Pizza Party
Dec: 6:	Ashley Fish and Family

Guest Pastor Brett Johnson

Pastor: Heidi Chamberlain

Musician: Dr. Risa Okina ♦ Choir Director: Anthony Steen

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Pastor’s Office Hours as scheduled with Pastor Heidi Chamberlain

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