

**Discipleship meeting** – our next Zoom meeting is December 1, at 8:00 p.m.

*This will be our last meeting of the year.* Please read Calvin’s Institutes, Book Two, chapters 16-17, on Christ’s death, descent into hell, and resurrection for our redemption. This will end book 2! See weekly email for more detail.

**Women’s study** – Tuesday, Nov 24, 10:30 a.m.

**Hymn sing** – Nov 27 or 28 or Dec 6? See email

**Fellowship meal – December 13 - TENTATIVE**

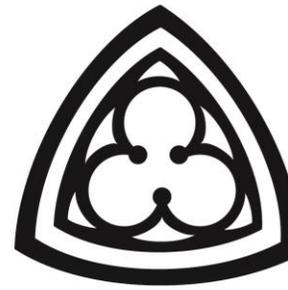
We warmly invite to the Lord’s Supper all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church. By eating the bread and drinking the wine with us, you acknowledge that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. You also acknowledge to the elders of this congregation that you are in covenant with God, being active in a congregation which is covenantally bound to the triune God through Word and sacrament. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to an elder before or after the service.

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**CHRIST  
CHURCH**  
LIVINGSTON COUNTY

The Lord’s Day 11/22/2020 A.D. (Reign of Christ Sunday)

A Service of Worship and Covenant Renewal

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** *God Summons His People*

\* **SCRIPTURE READING** \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Chronicles 16:34

Leader: The Lord be with you! **All: And also with you!**

\* **LITANY** \_\_\_\_\_ Psalm 107:1-8

Leader: Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!

**All: For His mercy endures forever.**

Leader: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,

**All: Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,**

Leader: And gathered out of the lands, from the east and from the west,

**All: From the north and from the south.**

Leader: They wandered in the wilderness in a desolate way;

**All: They found no city to dwell in.**

Leader: Hungry and thirsty,

**All: Their soul fainted in them.**

Leader: Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble,

**All: And He delivered them out of their distresses.**

Leader: And He led them forth by the right way,

**All: That they might go to a city for a dwelling place.**

Leader: Oh, that men would give thanks to the LORD for His goodness,

**All: And for His wonderful works to the children of men!**

\* **PRAYER OF PRAISE**

\* **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

We Gather Together \_\_\_\_\_ 285

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\* **The congregation stands**

## CLEANSING *God Forgives His People*

CALL TO CONFESSION \_\_\_\_\_ *Psalm 20:1-2, 6-8*

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*followed by silent prayer*)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON \_\_\_\_\_ *Isaiah 12:1-4*

Leader: Your sins are forgiven through Christ.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

Congregation: **We lift them up to the Lord!**

### \* HYMN OF PRAISE

*Now Thank We All Our God* \_\_\_\_\_ 283

WESTMINSTER LARGER CATECHISM \_\_\_\_\_ Q&A 90

Q90. What shall be done to the righteous at the day of judgment?

**A: At the day of judgment, the righteous, being caught up to Christ in the clouds, shall be set on his right hand, and there openly acknowledged and acquitted, shall join with him in the judging of reprobate angels and men, and shall be received into heaven, where they shall be fully and forever freed from all sin and misery;** filled with inconceivable joys, made perfectly holy and happy both in body and soul, in the company of innumerable saints and holy angels, but especially in the immediate vision and fruition of God the Father, of our Lord Jesus Christ, and of the Holy Spirit, to all eternity. **And this is the perfect and full communion, which the members of the invisible church shall enjoy with Christ in glory, at the resurrection and day of judgment.**

## CONSECRATION *God Equips and Prepares His People*

### CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Opening \_\_\_\_\_ *Habakkuk 1:12-13*

Thanksgiving \_\_\_\_\_ *Habakkuk 3:17-18*

Petitions \_\_\_\_\_ *Habakkuk 3:2*

### \* HYMN OF PRAISE

*Great is Thy Faithfulness* \_\_\_\_\_ *Insert*

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\* *The congregation stands*

† *The congregation is invited to kneel*

## CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

### THANKSGIVING

Thanking God for our National Day of Thanksgiving and may He be blessed by genuine thankfulness demonstrated, in part, by how Christians observe this national holiday

Thanking God for His faithfulness in economic blessings

Thanking God for Pastor Steve Hemmeke; (Sara, Grace, Owen, Isaiah, & Zach)

Thanking God for creating us in His image so we can understand, in part, His attributes and enjoy the beauty of His creation

Thanking God for Christian mentors and the important ministry of discipleship they bring to bear upon our lives

### PETITIONS

Praying for Sister Churches in CREC – Praying their congregations would live in thankfulness the whole year around

- Church of the Redeemer, Monroe, LA – Pastor Steve Wilkins
- Trinity Covenant Church, Wichita, KS – Pastor Derek Hale

Praying for God's Particular Care – The Cook's receiving Green Card in God's time; Elijah Hamilton (Ulcerative Colitis)

Praying for Civil Authorities – Scott Martinez (Army Special Forces); Sam Cheyne (Army Airborne - Ft. Bragg, Fayetteville, NC); 2nd Lieutenant Chad Schiller (Quantico, Dumfries, VA); Ben Cheyne (USMC, Camp Lejeune, Jacksonville, NC); Kevin VanDerhoof (Fire fighter-Brighton)

Praying for the Persecuted Church – the global hungry

- More than half of Burkino Faso's population of 24 million will not have enough food to eat this year.
- Of the 100,000 families that the Christian aid group, Compassion International serves, 30,000 are at high risk of malnutrition and starvation. Pandemic lock-downs are a major factor in the increase because they impact the food systems.
- Globally, according to the U.N., starvation is threatening the lives of tens of thousands of children this year; pandemic lock-downs deserve much of the blame. The U.N. anticipates an increase of 10,000 child deaths per month during pandemic restrictions.
- In South Sudan 7.5 million people depend on food aid. Before the pandemic, World Vision, was a partner in school feeding programs that served 200,000 children their main meal for the day. When schools closed in April, the meal programs were forced to end.
- With James 2:16 in mind, this Thanksgiving, would you and your family consider either a one-time donation or an ongoing donation program to one of these trusted, Christian, food aid organizations:

Worldvision.org

Samaritanspurse.org

Love, INC of Livingston County

Sermon theme: Giving thanks to God is a duty and a delight.

Sermon outline: Giving thanks:

- I. How?
- II. When?
- III. For what?
- IV. To Whom?
- V. The Duty
- VI. The Delight

Words for children to listen for:

Lepers	Star Wars	Cain
Duty	Delight	Colossians

Christian, in Whom do you believe?

The 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 Ghost,  
 born of the Virgin Mary,  
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, dead, and buried.  
 He descended into hell.  
 The third day He rose again  
 from the dead.  
 He ascended into Heaven,  
 and sits on 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 Ghost,  
 the holy catholic Church;  
 the communion of saints;  
 the forgiveness of sins;  
 the resurrection of the body;  
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**\* SCRIPTURE READING**

First Reading: \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Chronicles 29:10-20

Second Reading: \_\_\_\_\_ Colossians 3:16-17

Gospel: \_\_\_\_\_ Luke 17:11-19

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**\* THE APOSTLES' CREED (see next page)**

**PREACHING OF THE WORD**

“The Duty and Delight of Thanksgiving” \_\_\_\_\_ Psalm 136

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

The Lord's Prayer \_\_\_\_\_ 411

Congregational AMEN!

**THE OFFERING OF GIFTS**

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God \_\_\_\_\_ 415

**COMMUNION God Nourishes His People**

**THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Bread: Come, Ye Thankful People, vss 1-2 \_\_\_\_\_ 284

Wine: Come, Ye Thankful People, vss 3-4 \_\_\_\_\_ 284

**COMMISSIONING God Blesses & Sends His People**

**\* GOD'S COMMISSION TO US** \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Thessalonians 5:18

“In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”

‡ GLORIA PATRI \_\_\_\_\_ 436

**\* BENEDICTION** \_\_\_\_\_ Revelation 22:21

**\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE --- AMEN!**

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**\* The congregation stands**

**‡ The congregation is invited to stand with hands raised**

# Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Thomas Chisholm

William M. Runyan

Great is thy faith - ful-ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no shad - ow of  
Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and stars in their  
Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear pres - ence to

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turn - ing with thee. Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.  
cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wis - dom,  
cheer and to guide, strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

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As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be. Great is thy faith - ful - ness!  
to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.

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Great is thy faith - ful - ness Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see. All I have

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need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to mel

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