

Morning Worship *November 22, 2020*

Theme for Worship: Psalm 111:9

He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name!

Welcome

Announcements

Prayer of Approach

Call to Worship: Psalm 117-118:1

Pastor: Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!

Congregation: For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

Praise the LORD!

Unison: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

Prayer of Adoration & the Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #363 "We Gather Together"

Responsive Reading: Hebrews 4:14-5:10

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

⁵ For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ² He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. ³ Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴ And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵ So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you";

⁶ as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."

⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸ Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹ And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰ being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Spencer MacKenzie Larson Clarke, son of Ryan & Charity Clarke

Morning Prayer: Deacon Brett Bousema

Hymn #715 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

Confession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Question 1

Q.1: *What is your only comfort in life and in death?*

That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me whole-heartedly willing and ready, from now on, to live for him.

Doxology

Offering Prayer

Scripture Reading: Psalm 111

Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

² Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

³ Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

⁴ He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.

⁵ He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever.

⁶ He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations.

⁷ The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy;

⁸ they are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

⁹ He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name!

¹⁰ The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

His praise endures forever!

Message: “Wonder-full Christianity”, Rev. Nicholas Davelaar

I. Praise the LORD! (v. 1)

II. Great are the works of the LORD! (vv. 2-9)

III. Let us honor and obey him! (v. 10)

Hymn: #122 “God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory”

Benediction

NOTES:

Attendance for 11/15 - 9am – 22 10:30am – 108 Streaming – 26

Offering: \$8,934.00 Missions: \$640.00

Tuesday – 1pm, Ladies' Zoom Bible Study, contact Laura DeMasie for link

Wednesday – NO PRAYER MEETING DUE TO THANKSGIVING will resume next week

Saturday, December 5 – Card Making & Cookie Decorating, 10:30am, at the church, ALL AGES are welcome to attend!

Sunday, December 6 – Congregational Meeting after the second service

Card Making & Cookie Decorating

December 5 @ 10:30am @ the church

Everyone is welcome to join us in making Christmas cards to send to people in the church and decorate a cookie to eat or take home! Please contact Rebekah Houser or Amy Bousema if you have any questions.



Congregational Meeting: Sunday, December 6 after the second service.

We will simply be voting to re-election those elders and deacons whose terms have finished this year and brief corporate business.

Children’s Church will be available during the 10:30 service beginning on December 6.

HELP the Deacons help Wheeler Mission! Our goal is to provide 70 Thanksgiving baskets; **We only need 9 more.** This is the last week to give. Wheeler can assemble each basket for \$30. Please memo your check “Thanksgiving Baskets,” and put it in the offering plate. Thank you! 😊

Feliz Navidad! Buon Natale! Craciun Fericit! It's Missionary Christmas time!

Last Sunday for contributions is TODAY, November 22!!!

We have already surpassed our initial goal! We have currently raised \$1085. This means more than \$20 per person so far.

Many missionaries have commented that we are the only church that remembers them in a special way at Christmas time and it is very appreciated. We would like to continue a personal contact this year and it can be done in 2 ways:

1 – Your family can write an email to a particular missionary sharing how your family celebrates Christmas. Send the email to Carla Glasheen at JGlasheen@indy.rr.com and she will forward them. Due to the sensitive locations of some missionaries, their emails can't be published.

2. Your family can make/write a Christmas card to a particular missionary and leave it in the special box in the church foyer. These cards will be scanned and emailed.

Thank you for adjusting to these changes as we seek to support our missionaries this year.

FOLLOW: MTW 30 Days of Prayer during November. Please find on the link for a printable version: https://www.mtw.org/30-days-of-prayer?utm_source=30+Days+of+Prayer+%E2%80%94+2019&utm_campaign=6121234f8b-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_07_02_08_02_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_8221b0fa21-6121234f8b-1248366591

Or via Instagram: @mtwglobal

Update for Women's Hygiene Kits for Wheeler Mission: It is a praise and joy to see the generosity from the congregation. We were able to make **40 KITS!** Jim Glasheen delivered them as well and Wheeler was very thankful to receive them.

New **Prayer** cards and **Visitor** cards are available at the right end of each of the pews or on the front entry table.