

EVANGELICAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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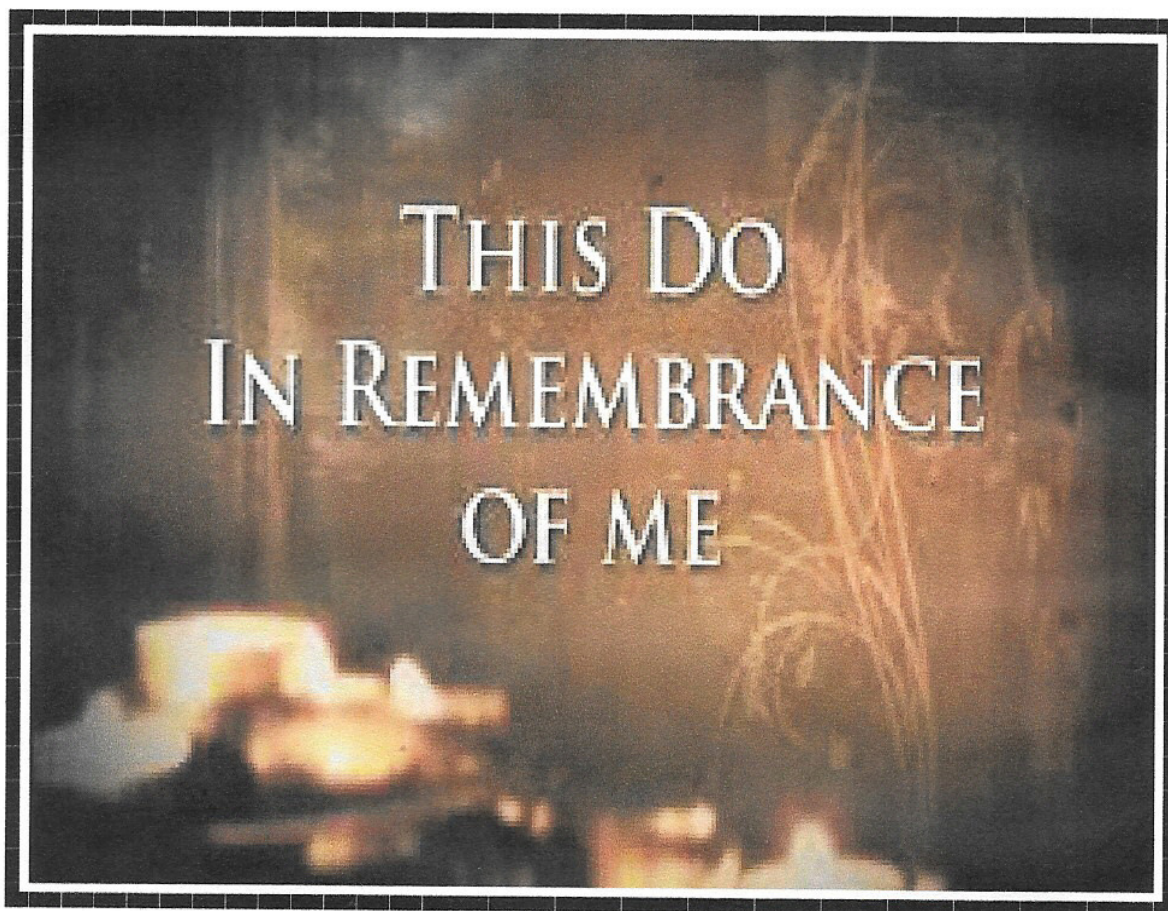
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"SHARING BREAD THROUGH CHRIST"



*Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost
w/ Communion*

"Be Diligent and Strive for Excellence"

November 4, 2018

LARGE PRINT

WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30 a.m.
Holy Communion: First Sunday of Every Month

SERVING THIS MORNING

Head Ushers - Gene Eichelberger

Liturgist: Ken Hirlinger

Organist: Eula Gowan Choir Director: Marilyn Williams

† = Please Stand As You Are Able

P=People

L= Liturgist

GATHERING TOGETHER AND SEEKING GOD'S PRESENCE

Bringing in the Light, Prelude, Welcome, Passing of the Peace

† CALL TO WORSHIP

The Reward of Diligence

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: "The soul of the sluggard craves, and gets nothing, while the soul of the diligent is richly supplied." *Proverbs 13:4, RSV*

TODAY'S WORD:

God longs to pour out His favor and blessings on you. He has rewards, victory and promotion for you, but these things don't happen automatically. You have to do your part. You have to be diligent. First of all, you have to be diligent to seek His way and follow His commands. Then you also have to be diligent with what you have in your hand--your time, abilities and resources. In Matthew, Jesus tells a parable about three men whose employer entrusted them with some money. Two of the men were diligent and invested the money and received a great return. The third man was afraid and buried what he was given. The first two men were rewarded and praised for their diligence while the third man was basically fired. Today, follow the example of the first two men and look for ways to be diligent with what you have in your hand. Whatever you do, do it with excellence! Be the best you can be. Go the extra mile even when you think it does unnoticed because God notices and promises to richly supply the soul of the diligent.

† PRAYER FOR TODAY: Heavenly Father, thank you for your favor and blessing on my life. Today I choose to be diligent. I choose to live in excellence and do everything to the best of my ability. I give You all the glory and thank you for Your faithfulness in Christ Jesus' name. Amen.

Opening Hymn: *"Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine*

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HEARING GOD'S WORD

First Reading: Proverbs 13: 4

Second Reading: Ecclesiastes 9: 10

Third Reading: James 1: 12
Fourth Reading: Galatians 6: 9
Final Reading: Philipines 3: 14

Sermon: “*Be Diligent and Strive for Excellence*”

Russ

Choir Song: “*More Love to Thee*”

John Easley

RESPONDING WITH OUR PRAYERS

Joys and Concerns of our Worshiping Family

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer (*debts and debtors*)

Sung Prayer Response:

ALL: Hear Our Prayer, O Lord, Hear Our Prayer, O Lord,
Hear Our Prayer, O Lord, and Grant Us Thy Peace. Amen.



UCC Affirmation of Faith: “*A New Creed*”

Back of Red Hymnal

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Music

† DOXOLOGY

ALL: Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all Creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ALL: Dear Lord, we now know that Rudy got it. He was diligent in his efforts and you rewarded him by turning hard work into excellence. Do the same with our offering gifts here today and multiply them for Your kingdom. Amen.

SEEKING GOD’S FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION *Sourcebook*

ALL: Look deep, Loving God, and see us as we really are -- yearning to be close to you. We forge ahead on our own, not noticing your outstretched hand. We forget that there is

never a moment that you are not with us. Shine your light on our path and walk with us through all our valleys with the sun at our backs. Amen.

Time of Silent reflection before God.

Assurance of God's Grace

Glory Be To the Father *"Gloria Patri"*

ALL: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

GOD SHARES WITH US

Invitation

HOLY COMMUNION

"Inner circle is Grape Juice, Outer Circle is Wine."



Sharing of the Elements

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

ALL: We give thanks, Almighty God that You have refreshed us at Your table by granting us the presence of Your son, Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

† **Closing Hymn** *"It is Well with my Soul"*

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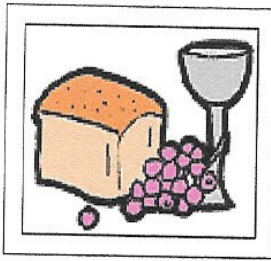
† **Benediction**

Russ

† **Dismissal:** Go now in peace, Never be afraid,
Go now in peace, In faith and in love.

Postlude

Our Worship is Over, Now Our Service Begins....



WELCOME! If you have accepted Jesus as your Lord and Savior, we invite you to His table to share in the body and blood of Jesus Christ. We remember how He gave His life for us and how he would have us respond to His gift. Let us join in the praise of God as we see His goodness in word and sacrament. The Peace of the Lord Be With You!

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTERS are now available on the table in back of the Sanctuary. Please help yourself.

YOGA - Yoga meets every **Tues. and Thurs. at 8:30am** in the Lay Center. All are welcome to come and join us!

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP will meet this **Friday Nov. 9 at 1:15pm** at the home of Betty Clark.

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION will be next **Sunday, Nov. 11** Please plan to bring your items to share and place them in the box provided in back of the Sanctuary.

Pres. Barb Holtzclaw is passing around a survey this morning, regarding our worship service, current pastor, requirements for a new minister etc. Please fill out and return to Barb by next Sunday Nov. 11.



VETERANS DAY Next Sunday, **Nov. 11**, we will honor all our Veterans during the church service.

Reminder: Large Print copies of the Bulletin are available. Please let an Usher know and they will get one for you.

Also.... We do have some medical equipment, stool risers, walkers, shower chairs, etc... that are available for our church member to use. Please check with the office if you are in need.

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

IN HIS SERVICE

Head Usher for November

Gene Eichelberger

November Council Rep

Donavan Davis

Liturgists for November

Nov. 11 - Marilyn Williams

Nov. 18 - Betty Sieckmann

Nov. 25 - TOTENFEST

Gale Boller

LOOKING AHEAD

Nov. 11 - 17

Sunday, Nov. 11

10:30am - Worship

Food Pantry Collection

Choir Sings

Mon. Nov. 12 - Office Closed

VETERANS DAY

Tues. Nov. 13 - Office Closed

8:30am - Yoga

Wed. Nov. 14 - Office OPEN

8am - Men's Fellowship

6:30pm CHURCH COUNCIL MTG.

Thurs. Nov. 15 - Office Closed

8:30am - Yoga

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE

Friday, Nov. 16 - Office OPEN

Saturday Nov. 17

Ed. Bldg. Rental - Young Life Event

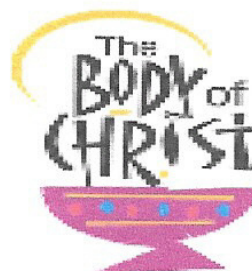
Leslie Reardon

Please call Carolyn Koerner to start the Prayer Circle at 882-7967. Prayers to the prayer list may also be added by calling the Church Office at 882-5501.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please let the church office know if these names are correct, and/or if any need to be updated or removed. Thanks

Linda Leach, Patty Gerke Oerly, Sawyer Quinlan, Bonnie Baugh, Stacey Trimble, Linda Hagen, Sandy Bagby, Joshua Bailey, Dorothy Chrisman, Thelma Gerke, Darlene Simmons, Sue Roweton, Vince Moehle, Becky Farris, George Chamberlain and Kathi Reed.



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Nov. 4 - 10

Birthdays:

Nov. 3 - Teresa Nelson; Nov. 5 - Scott Henry, Joan Schupp & Tiffany Brueckner; Nov. 8 - Holly Murray; Nov. 9 - Amanda Brand; Nov. 10 - Betty Sieckmann

Anniversaries: None

FOR THE RECORD

Oct. 28 \$587.00
\$175.00 Ed. Bldg. Rental

Attn: 31