

Wycliffe

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"Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid, for the Lord God is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation." (Isaiah 12:2)

Let Us Worship

"**Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow**" *(stand in body or spirit & sing ~ screen)*

***Psalm 98** *(all read the bold; CEV)*

> *O sing to the Lord a new song! God has done marvelous things.*
> **The Lord has remembered his steadfast love**
> **and faithfulness to the house of Israel.**
>
> *Day after day announce, "The Lord has saved us!*
> **Tell every nation on earth, "The Lord is wonderful!**
>
> *Announce to the nations, "The Lord is King!*
> **The world stands firm, never to be shaken,**
> **the world and those who live in it.**
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> *Tell the heavens and the earth to be glad and celebrate!*
> **Command the ocean to roar and the fields to rejoice,**
> **and every tree in the forest will sing for joy to the Lord.**

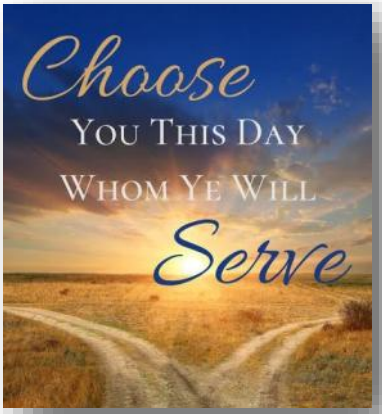
***Hymn 65** "**Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah**" *(stand in body or spirit & sing)*

Share the Peace of Christ with Those Around You

~ We Celebrate Our Veterans ~

Children's Time with the Pastors

Here these words from the Old Testament book of Joshua *(24:1, 14-17, CEV)*



Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel and said, "Revere the Lord and serve him in sincerity and faithfulness, and put away the gods your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord.

"Now if you're unwilling to, choose this day whom you will serve. But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

Then the people answered, "Far be it from us to forsake the Lord, for it is the Lord our God who brought us up from Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and protected us along the way. We will serve the Lord, for he is our God."

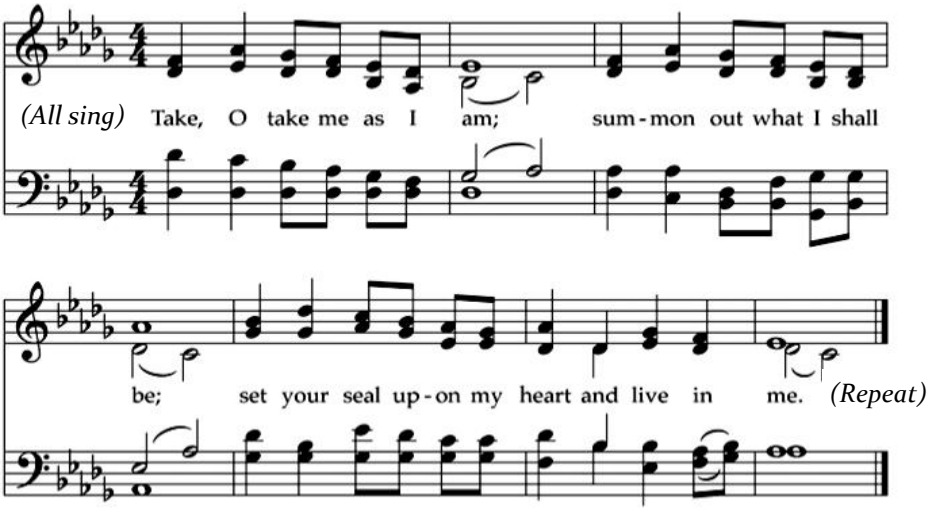
"I Sing Because I'm Happy" *(arr. R. Dillworth) Emilia Bugg & Steve Barcynski*
"Why should I be discouraged? His eye is on the sparrow & I know he watches me"

A Time of Confession *(all read the bold)*

God of peace and beauty, in a world of choices, we turn to you.
With anxiety all around, we open our hearts to your grace.

God, you know better than I the temptations I face ~
Have mercy on me.

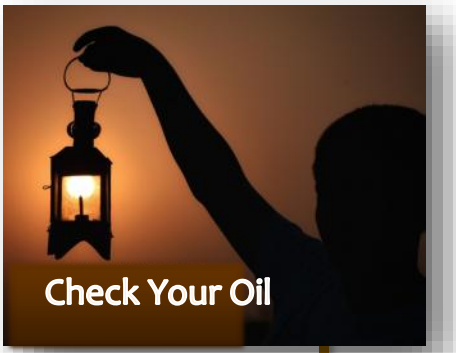
Forgive our grasping hands, our need to be in control.
Speak your quiet, steady Word, and release us from our fears.



The Assurance of God's Grace & Pardon . . . *and all say* **Thanks be to God.**

Matthew 25:1-13

The Word of God is Opened to Us
Rev. Dr. Garrett Bugg



Hymn 350 "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed & Burning"



The Prayers of the People
followed by **The Lord's Prayer** *(screen)*

We Affirm our Faith *(all read the bold)*
People of God, in whom do you believe?

We believe in God who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We are called to be the Church,
to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil.

We are never alone. In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us. Thanks be to God.

*Hymn 53 "O God, Who Gives Us Life" *(stand in body or spirit & sing)*

*The Benediction

Join us in the fellowship hall for lunch!
(to the left as you leave the sanctuary)

Give to the Mission & Ministry of Wycliffe

Giving is a natural overflow of a heart that is grateful for Jesus, who gave everything for us. A basket is available on the table as you leave the sanctuary for contributions of checks or cash. A secure link for electronic giving is available on the church's website at www.wycliffepresbyterian.org

Today's sanctuary flowers are given by Joan & Jeff Horton
in celebration of their 48th wedding anniversary!

This Week

***Nov 8** (TODAY, after worship): Fellowship Luncheon, Italian Style*
***Nov 8** (TODAY, 4:00pm): Galatea String Quartet (free; donations accepted)*
***Nov 14** (Sat, 7:30am) Men's Breakfast & Bible Study (Sunrise Café)*

Looking Ahead

***Nov 15** (Sun, 1-3:00pm): Youth Pickleball @Palace of Pickleball (reservations please)*
***Nov 16** (Mon, by 3:00pm): Foods & funds for Thanksgiving meals due*
***Nov 17** (Tues, 12n): Ladies' Lunch at Back Bay Gourmet*
***Nov 17** (Tues, 6:30pm): Bunco! (Lisa Peck's home)*
***Nov 19** (Thurs, 3:30pm): Grief Support Group (rm 207)*
***Nov 29** (Tues): Poinsettia orders due (all white; $20 each)*
***Dec 6** (Sun): Angel Tree Gifts due (please wrap & attach the 'ornament' label to the gift)*
***Dec 7** (Mon by 3:30pm): Foods & funds for Christmas meals due*

Service & Mission Opportunities

NOW through Nov 16 *Thanksgiving foods or cash donations due.* **Grocery list:** *1 large box mashed potatoes, 2 of EACH (15oz), 2 cans of corn, 2 cans of green beans, & 2 cans of fruit (or 1 large), 2 jars of gravy, 2 cans of yams or sweet potatoes, 1 large box of stuffing (or 2 smaller), 2 cans of cranberry sauce, 2 containers of fruit juice (64-96 oz), and 1 box of brownies or cookie mix.*
Questions? *See Jennifer McNeill or Ashley Miller*







Angel Tree *~To give a local child a merrier Christmas, choose an "ornament" and purchase the item listed, wrap it & return to the tree by Sunday, Dec 6 - WITH THE ORIGINAL REQUEST TAG. In these challenging economic times, you'll find many tags listing clothing or similar items requested by VB Social Service, as shared by the families.*

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