

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

November 24, 2024

10:00 a.m.

\*Please stand if you are comfortable standing.

LITURGIST: Anne Moser

**PRELUDE** *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

**WELCOMING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**INTROIT** *The Lord is In His Holy Temple*

Lloyd Larson

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsively)

*Psalm 47:5-8*

One: God has ascended amid shouts of joy,

**All: The LORD amid the sounding of trumpets.**

All: Sing praises to God, sing praises;

**All: Sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

One: For God is the King of all the earth;

**All: Sing to him a psalm of praise.**

One: God reigns over the nations;

**All: God is seated on his holy throne.**

**\*HYMN #271** *The Lord Almighty Reigns*

St. Bride

**CALL TO CONFESSION** (liturgist)

Children of God, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before God whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and God knows everything. Let us pray.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

**Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world and fail to be governed by his justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**KYRIE** *Lord Have Mercy*

**DECLARATION OF PARDON** (liturgist)

*Revelation 5:5, 9-10*

One: Amen. Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed.

**All: With his blood he has purchased people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.**

One: He has made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Hymnal #583

*"Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!  
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!"*

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**MOMENT FOR EDUCATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Psalm 93

**ANTHEM**

*Sing to the Lord of Harvest*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

John 18:33-37

**SERMON**

*A Monarchy of Truth*

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**Invitation to the Table**

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Prayers**

**Sanctus**

Hymn #552

**Holy, Holy, Holy**

Land of Rest

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

**Distribution of the Elements**

**Communion**

**Communion Music**

**OFFERING OUR TITHES and GIFTS**

**Offertory**

*Modal Prelude*

Gordon Young

**\*Doxology (Unison) Hymn #606**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise God, all creatures here below;*

*Praise God above, ye heavenly host;*

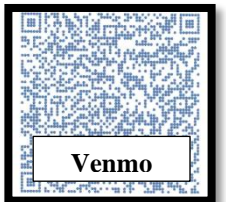
*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*HYMN #267**

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

Madrid



**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

*Send Me, Jesus*

Trad. South African Tune

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Sortie on "Simple Gifts"*

Martin Ellis

**PRAYERS:** All those adversely affected by war and all acts of violence, all victims of hate crimes, Pat Cochrane, Miranda Douglas, Kat Nic, Scarlet Gensler-Nic, Lyn Long, Marcy St. John, Linda Myers, Ken Oman, David & Minday Shaner, Scott Muellich (relatives of Scotty Huntington), Anna Beeker's parents, Jenny Breyer (niece of Mary Clarke), Mahmoud & family, the LGBTQIA+ Community, all victims of abuse, racial inequalities, those picking up and trying to recover from surgery and loss.

**This is a MORE LIGHT Presbyterian Church!**

A "More Light" Presbyterian church welcomes lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender persons to full participation in the life, ministry, and witness of the congregation. We work to expand the inclusiveness of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

*There are no closed doors here.*  
**Christ Welcomes All Here!**



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## *"A Monarchy of Truth"*

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**Join the Deacons for a wonderful event that will fill your heart with the grace of the holiday season.**

The event is set for December 14<sup>th</sup>! Please join the Deacons and our volunteers for a delicious pancake breakfast. The event will be held at the W. C. Senior Center on Grove St. from 9:30 to 11:30.

Through your generous donations, we will be supporting 53 families and individuals with \$100 Aldi gift cards for each family and \$30 Walmart gift cards for each child. There is still time to donate to the

event. If writing a check, please make it payable to First Presbyterian Church and on the memo, line write "Deacons' Xmas." Donations can also be made through Venmo and PayPal.

### ***The Lord Almighty Reigns***

1. The Lord Almighty reigns in majesty most bright, appareled in omnipotence, and girded round with might.
2. The world established stands on its foundations broad; your throne is fixed, you reign supreme, the everlasting God.
3. The seas have lifted up their voice in majesty, but God on high, supreme in might, is greater than the sea.
4. Your testimonies, Lord, in faithfulness excel, and holy must your servants be who in your temple dwell.

### ***Come, Christians, Join to Sing***

1. Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen! Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen! Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice; praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!
2. Come, lift your hearts on high: Alleluia! Amen! Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen! He is our guide and friend; to us he'll condescend; his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!
3. Praise yet our Christ again: Alleluia! Amen! Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen! On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore, singing forevermore: alleluia! Amen!



**Our next First Friday is on Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> and will be held at Luckey Junction, 242 Main St in Luckey at 6 pm.** Anybody is invited join us but reservations are due Wednesday, the 4<sup>th</sup>. Contact Pastor Jeff at [fpcbjeff@gmail.com](mailto:fpcbjeff@gmail.com) or text him at 330/931-9165 .



**Don't despair** if you lost your pledge card just email Joyce Kepke, Financial Secretary at [kepkej@dacor.net](mailto:kepkej@dacor.net)

## **Week of Nov 24 thru Dec 1**

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship Service/Communion</b>
	<b>11:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Refreshments &amp; Fellowship in FH</b>
	4:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts (Green Lounge)
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Community Thanksgiving @ 1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist</b>
	7:00 p.m.	Meditation/Recovery Group (Green Lounge)
<b>MONDAY</b>		<b>OFFICE IS CLOSED</b>
	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Decorating of the Sanctuary and church for Xmas</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Book Group (Green Lounge)</b>
	5:30 p.m.	La Conexion ESL classes
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Membership mtg.</b>
	8:00 p.m.	A.A. (FH)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		<b>NO WEMEET this week</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>		<b>OFFICE IS CLOSED TODAY</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>		<b>OFFICE IS CLOSED TODAY</b>
	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>International Students Thanksgiving</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>

**2024 BG Community  
THANKSGIVING  
SERVICE**

Sunday,  
**November 24**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**First United Methodist Church**  
1526 E. Wooster St, Bowling Green

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME**  
Rev. Dr. Judy Utsler Preaching  
Combined Churches Choir

*Sponsored by the Bowling Green Ministerial Association*





## Divine Doodle Page

There will be NO WeMeet Thursday Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>

### **Learning the Names of Christ- 2024 Advent Study**

**Our Advent Study for 2024 will begin December 1st.** The live stream will be each night on our Facebook page at 8pm. You can **join us live at 8pm** or watch according to your schedule later! The interactive portion of the study this year is a set of advent ornaments that will be made and hung each day. The Advent Study booklets will be available in the church office or Fellowship Hall. You can also pick up the bag of ornaments and a mini-tree to be a designated Advent Tree if you so desire. Please see Amanda if you have any questions about the study.

**Congregational Christmas Party** - Join us on **December 11th at 6:00pm** for the congregational Christmas party! Turkey, Ham, Rolls, Green Bean Casserole, and Mash Potatoes will be provided. **We ask you to bring a dish to share if you can! Last Names A-L it is suggested to bring a Dessert and Last Names M-Z it is suggested to bring a Side Dish.**

**Advent Wreath** - We will start *Advent on December 1<sup>st</sup>* and will be doing the Advent Wreath lighting. If your family group, or even a group of friends in the church would like to help with the Wreath lighting on any of the 4 Sundays of Advent or Christmas Eve, please let Amanda know.