

**Welcome to Church of Christ**  
**November 3, 2024 ~ Twenty Fourth**  
**Sunday after Pentecost & Communion**  
We are honored to worship God with you today!

**Prelude Anthem** *God, Grant Me to Be Silent* - M. Hill

**Call to Worship** (inspired by Psalm 146) ~Nels White

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

**People: We will praise the Lord as long as we live;  
we will sing praises to God all our life long.**

Leader: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals,  
in whom there is no help.

**People: When their breath departs, they return to the earth;  
on that very day their plans perish.**

Leader: Happy are those whose help is our God,  
whose hope is in the Lord our God,

**People: May we trust in the God who made heaven and earth,  
the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever.**

Leader: Let us praise and follow God, who executes justice for the oppressed;  
who gives food to the hungry.

**People: The Lord sets the prisoners free, opens the eyes of the blind,  
watches over strangers, upholds the orphan and the widow.**

**All: The Lord will reign forever, for all generations. Praise the Lord!**

**Silent Prayer and Meditation**

**The Lord's Prayer (trespasses/debts)**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses (debts), as we forgive those who trespass against us (our debtors). And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

**Hymn 518**      *Give Thanks for Life (Worship and Rejoice)*

Vs 1 Give thanks for life, the measure of our days, mortal, we pass through beauty that decays, yet sing to God our hope, our love, our praise: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Vs 2 Give thanks for those who made their life a light caught from the Christ-flame, bursting through the night, who touched the truth, who burned for what is right: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Vs 3 And for our own, our living and our dead, thanks for the love by which our life is fed, a love not changed by time or death or dread: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Vs 4 Give thanks for hope, that, like the wheat, the grain lying in the darkness does its life retain, in resurrection to grow green again: Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

*All are welcome to partake. Grape juice, not wine, is served.*

**Invitation**

**Consecration and Service**

**Prayer of Gratitude** (unison) – Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace. Amen.

**Scripture:** Ruth 1:1-18 ~Nels White

In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the LORD had considered his people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. The LORD grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters. Why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me." Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law goodbye, but Ruth clung to her. So she said, "Look, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you, to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; Where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die, I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do thus to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

**Sermon** "Do This in Remembrance of Me"

**Music Interlude**

**Light of Service** *Team Rubicon* ~Bill Eckert

We have a chance to offer financial gifts in support of Spirit-led work. Undesignated gifts go to the recipient named above. Please use the white envelopes in the pews to designate giving otherwise. There is no obligation, and we always welcome prayers for our LOS recipients. Thank you!

**Offertory** *Jesu! Rex Admirabilis* - G. P. da Palestrina

**Doxology** (two versions are offered) Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen. OR: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Sharing Joys and Church Life Updates**

**Sharing Prayer Concerns**

**Silent Prayer and Meditation**

## Pastoral Prayer

### Hymn 273 *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love* (Worship and Rejoice)

Vs 1 Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you. Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, Master who acts as a slave to them.

Vs 2 Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you. Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white, neighbors are near and far away.

Vs 3 Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you. These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love; all these are neighbors to us and You.

Vs 4 Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you. Loving puts us on our knees, silently washing their feet, this is the way we should live with You. Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

### Our Common Commission

Let us go forth into the world in peace, being of good courage, holding fast to that which is good, rendering to no one evil for evil, strengthening the faint-hearted, supporting the weak, helping the afflicted, honoring all persons, loving and serving the Lord, and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### Benediction

**Postlude** *Trumpet Tune* - A. D. Miller

Please remain seated to listen or depart quietly.

**We gladly list these prayer concerns** and ask you to keep us apprised of any updates so that we have the most current information. If you would like a pastoral visit please call or email Pastor Erick (860-303-0910, [reverendole@gmail.com](mailto:reverendole@gmail.com)).

Members needing our prayers:

Patty Cammilletti, Steven, Tina & Aaliyah Chausse, Linda Creedon, Bonnie Greenwood, Holly Kelsey, Will Kelsey, Arlene Patten, Dan Patten, Sue Pratt, Cindy Sinclair, John Thew

Ongoing concerns for our relatives and friends:

Annattie P., Eric, Jo, Olivia (Ky Byrne's cousin), Nathan, Donna Aakjar (Nancy Perry's sister), Andrew Anderson (Ruth Adotte), Jay Atkinson, Denis Combes (Jason Combes' father), Fran and Arnold Gellman (Tina Olsen's aunt and uncle), John Funchion, Judy Green, Chris Hanley, Pat Harms (Shelley Harm's mom), Jim Korner (Liz Wilbur's brother), Serena Livingston (Kristin Mudge), Rick Martin (Ruth Adotte), Rev. Kenric and Debbie Prescott, Gimo Ramadani (church sexton), Constance Rotondo (Jane Williams), Ryan Sterba, Rob Thew, Sue Ellen Thomas (Pastor Erick's sister), Dennis Watlington (Tim Hitchcock), Judi Welch

Those who are grieving - the families of:

Kerry Garside, Stephen Getz, Jackie Hamad, The Rev. Paul Heller, Gene Martin, Avery Nelson, Aaron Pelletier, Owen Simmons, Mary Sager

In the wider community:

Leigh Cappabianca (missionary in Turkey), Laura Smith (missionary in Venezuela), the people of Haiti, Israel, Gaza, Ukraine - and all enduring ongoing violence, and the people impacted by recent hurricanes Helene and Milton

