

OLD UNION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 26, 11:00 AM

PRELUDE (Time for preparation)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 7:17

*HYMN

“Your Name”

HS #53

*CONFESSION OF SIN: “In the midst of an abundant creation, O God, we complain about what we do not have. As we are surrounded by the fellowship of your family, we lament that we are lonely. Although you have blessed each of us with a wondrous and life-changing call, we grumble that our lives lack purpose. We carry burdens of guilt, forgetting that you have set us free from our sin with your cross. We fear death, overlooking the new life of resurrection that comes from your empty tomb. Forgive us, O God, and restore our sense of wonder and thanksgiving. Amen.”

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 49:15-16

*GLORIA PATRI (Song of Praise)

#623

SPECIAL MUSIC

NEW TESTAMENT (Unison):

Revelation 4:2-11, 5:11-14

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:

Psalm 101:1-8

CHILDREN’S TIME

*HYMN

“We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer”

#16

SERMON

“Listen for the New Song”

*HYMN

“To God Be the Glory”

#66

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

TIME FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(back cover of hymnal)

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY (Song of Dedication)

#626

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*APOSTLES CREED

(back cover of hymnal)

*BENEDICTION (Closing Blessing)

Philippians 4:8

(Response: “...And build each other up.”)

*CLOSING SONG

“Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name”

#604

(*) If you are able, please stand.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gloria U. will lead this morning's Scripture readings.

Women's Association will meet tomorrow at 7:00

We will decorate the church for Advent and Christmas on Saturday at 9:00. If you are able, please come and lend a hand.

New officer training and orientation meetings start next Sunday, beginning at 10:00.

During worship next week we will decorate the Christmas tree with Chrismons, sacred symbols that remind us what we believe.

The deacons will meet after worship next week.

Drop off your cards for the Christmas card exchange by December 10, so cards will be ready for pick-up on December 17. Please only include people who attend church regularly, and bundle your cards in alphabetical order.

The church Christmas party will be held on December 10 after worship. Please bring a wrapped gift for the exchange game (no more than \$5); children will have a separate set of gifts. If you are able, please bring a dish to share, and be prepared for a few surprises with our "Nativity Activity!"

The choir will present its Christmas cantata on December 17.

Old Union's annual Cookie Sale will be on Dec. 9. Please sign up on the sheets in the lobby if you would like to bake cookies, and/or order cookies. The deadline date to place your cookie order is Dec. 6. Trays are \$28 for 4 doz cookies, and boxes of 2 doz cookies are \$14. Speak with anyone on the Fundraising Committee if you have any questions.

The Annual Toy Shoppe by the Lighthouse and the Deacons, are collecting new unwrapped toys for children between the ages of 0-17. You can also provide gift cards with a value of at least \$25. December 10th is the last day for donations.

The Evans City Food Bank is accepting Christmas goodies-candy, cookies, etc. for November.

The holidays are approaching! A RADA fundraiser will start Sept. 24 until Nov. 30. Orders with payment can be given to Sally P. Catalogs and order slips are in the lobby. There is a limited number of catalogs, so kindly return the catalog when you're done ordering for others to place their order. Make checks payable to Old Union Presbyterian Church. Please direct questions to Sally. Proceeds will benefit wherever the need is in the General Fund.

Poinsettia flowers can be ordered now to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas. To try and accommodate getting the colors desired by everyone, the deadline to order is Dec.10. Each potted plant is \$8.50. Please sign up in the lobby. Kindly give your payment to Lorene W. or Becky G., or let them know that you included your payment in your offering envelope.

Special Prayers of Concern:

Louise Spithaler: scleroderma

Jim Pavlina, esophageal cancer

Josh Kiel, colon cancer

Maggie Daugherty

Ed & Jeanne Cooley

Betty Leonberg: Newhaven Court

Dolly Knox: Newhaven Court

Joan Taylor: Passavant Retirement Community

Howard Bodema: Chicora Medical Center

Josh Heikkila: mission co-worker in Ghana

Mission Co-Workers:

Doug Tilton, South Africa, Southern Africa Region

Military:

Jeremy Hartung, Colonel

Matthew David Miller, Sgt.

Justin Tasse, MNSN, Navy

Scott Ford, Major, Army

Glen Pegher, Captain, Army

Will Baldwin, Army

Jacob Henderson, Navy

Christian Charles, Army

Ryan Wilson, Marine Reserves

Hunter Mincer, Air Force

Christopher Hardt, Air Force

Arthur Boring III, Army Reserves

Kevin Everly, Army

Danner Croll, Navy

Daniel Blackstock, Sgt., Marine

Spencer Kenny, Navy

Alex Truong, Army

Luke Oehmler, Army Rangers

Addison Dishart, Marine

Colton Velesig, Army