

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“I Love You with the Love of the Lord”

(Please join hands as we sing)

***Oh, I love you with the love of the Lord.
Yes, I love you with the love of the Lord.
I can see in you the glory of my King,
and I love you with the love of the Lord.***

* POSTLUDE

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Bell Ringers Needed: There is a signup sheet in the narthex for Trinity’s very own day of bell ringing for the Salvation Army. Our day is Wednesday, December 7. Sign up early to get “your pick” of time slots. You can sign up individually, with a friend or as a family. Please also jot down a phone number for a reminder call. If you’ve already read the November Link on line, that date for this event is incorrect. It is December 7th; NOT December 17th.

On Sunday, December 4th, our annual Advent Workshop will be held following worship with a meal and crafts. The meal will consist of sloppy joes, veggie trays, chips and beverages. Attendees are asked to bring a plate of cookies to share and their own place settings. Crafts will follow the meal. Samples of all the crafts are available in the back entryway. Please sign up if your plan to make a craft so that enough materials can be made available. Any questions should be directed to members of the Koinonia Board.

Reign of Christ
November 20, 2011
Matthew 25:31-46

United Black Christians

On the third Sunday of November, we celebrate the founding of United Black Christians (UBC), an officially recognized special interest group of the United Church of Christ, providing voice and vision for more than 70,000 African Americans.

UBC represents lay and clergy persons who faithfully minister in more than 278 predominately African American congregations of the United Church of Christ and those African American members in congregations that are not predominately African American.

United Black Christians seeks to provide voice for the African American members of the United Church of Christ, strengthen Black churches in the UCC, train and nurture leaders of our churches for Gospel- inspired service to the Black community, and enhance clergy-lay ministry partnership. In addition, UBC advocates for liberation and racial justice at home and abroad, monitors affirmative action within the UCC, and focuses on youth and young adult ministry.



*Liturgy for the Celebration of Worship
Thirty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Christ the King Sunday*

November 20, 2011

10:30 A.M.

* Those who are able are invited to stand “Black” New Century Hymnal (NCH)
“Red” Evangelical & Reformed Hymnal (E & R)

Please wear your nametag in worship.

Please fill-out the pew register (including children!) and pass it down the pew. At the end of the row pass it back and note the names of those who are sharing your pew so that you might greet them after worship.

Please note prayer requests on the cards found in your pew and pass to the center aisle during the first hymn.

A nursery is available during worship for ages 0-2. We also have a beginners’ room for ages 3 through 1st grade. Please contact an usher for directions if necessary.

We Gather as God’s People

WELCOME /ANNOUNCEMENTS

Debbie Lorincz

PRELUDE

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*“You crown the year with your goodness,
and your paths overflow with plenty.
(Psalm 65.11)*

INTROIT

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Holy One,

Cong: who made heaven and earth.

Leader: As we have gathered here to worship, let us stand and greet one another in the love of Christ.

* HYMN

“This is the Day”

84 NCH

(twice through—**sing second time only**)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Russ Gregory

L: Know that the Holy One is God.

C: We are God’s people.

L: Worship the Holy One with gladness;

C: Come into God’s presence with singing.

L: Enter god’s gates with thanksgiving, and God’s courts with praise.

C: Make a joyful noise!

L: For God is good; God’s steadfast love endures forever, and God’s faithfulness to all generations.

C: Let us worship with thanks and joy!

Let us praise God in song and word and prayer!

* OPENING HYMN 434 E & R
"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

* OPENING PRAYER
Gracious God, we long to know your better. Open us to recognize your presence, to receive you fully, and to be ready to follow your leading. Amen.

* THE GLORIA 759 NCH
Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit, Three in One; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

We Hear God Speaking

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

L: Lord,
C: open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON 2 Corinthians 9.6-15 pew Bible, p. 1056

6 The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.⁷ Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.⁸ And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.⁹ As it is written,

'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.'

¹⁰ He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness.¹¹ You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us;¹² for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.¹³ Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others,¹⁴ while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you.¹⁵ Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

ANTHEM "Sing, Sing, Sing" Flegal
"We Gather Together"
Netherlands Folk Hymn
HIPPIES

CHIMES (The children may come to the front during the playing of the chimes.)

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US Rev. Doty

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM See insert
Sebastian Thomas Hale, son of Tom & Lisa Hale
Theo Nicholas Kiouis, son of Nick & Dawn Kiouis
Grandson of Dwight & Cheryl Powers

(Children ages 0-1st grade are invited to go to the nursery area after the children's time for faith formation.)

(Children in 2nd - 6th grades are invited to join the Kid's Club downstairs in the 4th & 5th grade room.)

We Lift Our Praise and Prayer to God

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: God be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

L: Clinging to the promise of abundant life and resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of god's creation.

(Brief silence)

Ruler of the universe, bring your wisdom to the churches of the world. Strengthen their proclamation of the gracious reign of Christ to all people everywhere. Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

Congregational Prayer Response (throughout)

L: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

L: Receive these our prayers, O God, and give us all we need for this day and the days to come, through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who taught us to pray saying,

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

PRAYER RESPONSE 769 NCH

Hear our prayer, O God, hear our prayer, O God; incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.

* HYMN OF PREPARATION

"We Gather Together"

1. *We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; He chastens and hastens his will to make known, The wicked oppressing now cease for distressing. Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.*

2. *Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, Ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine; so from the beginning the fight we were winning; thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory be thine!*

3. *We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant, and pray that thou still our defender wilt be. Let thy congregation escape tribulation; Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!*

We Hear the Good News

* THE GOSPEL LESSON pew Bible, p. 955
Luke 17.11-19

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?' ¹⁸ Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' ¹⁹ Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

Liturgist: The Word of God for all people.

Cong: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Giving Thanks Empowers" Rev. Doty

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Bless This House"

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE 780 NCH
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host;
Creator, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION
God of abundance, we give these offerings of material goods as our commitment to give back to you and to care for your people. Let our giving remind us to see Jesus all around us. Use our offerings of money and of our lives for ministry to your purposes. Amen.

We Are Sent by God to be the Good News


* CLOSING HYMN 72 E & R
"Now Thank We All our God"

* BENEDICTION

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Today **Sunday School**, 9:15 a.m.
 Worship, 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary.
Monday **AA**, 7:30 p.m. in the Old Fellowship Hall.
Tuesday **Wee Twos**, 9:30 a.m. in the Beginners Room.
 Community Thanksgiving Service, 7:00 p.m. at First
 Mennonite, Trease Road.
Thursday **Happy Thanksgiving! OFFICE CLOSED!**
 AA, 8:00 p.m. in the Old Fellowship Hall.
Friday **OFFICE CLOSED!**
Next Sunday **Sunday School**, 9:15 a.m.
 Worship, 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. First Sunday
 Advent.

LOOKING AHEAD:

December 3 - Hanging of the Greens
December 4 - Advent Workshop, Birthday Party for Jesus
December 18 - Concert Series, Dan Doty, soloist, Crèche Walk
 

Thank you to:

Debbie Lorincz, member of Church & Ministry for bringing the
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Jeanne Mezzoff.
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baptism of their grandson, **Theo Kiouis**.
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Emily Schmeltzer, our beginner's volunteer today and, **Lisa Nagy**, our
nursery volunteer today.



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