

# 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

November 10, 2024

9:00 a.m.

Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. We extend a warm greeting of Christian Fellowship to you.

\*Congregation standing for those who are able

The Words of Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the Friendship pads and pass them back to the center aisle.

## Our Approach to God

Prelude

Nimrod from The Enigma Variations

E. Elgar

The Call to Worship

We gather to worship the Lord. Let us whole-heartedly love and praise God.

**We will sing praise to our God as long as we live. We don't put our trust in human beings, who cannot save us.**

Blessed are those whose hope is in the Lord their God.

**He is the Maker of heaven and earth. He remains faithful forever.**

The Lord our God reigns forever. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

\*The Hymn of Praise

*Be Thou My Vision*

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\*The Call to Confession

The Psalmist prayed, "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me." May this be our prayer as we confess our sin to God.

\*The Prayer of Confession

**God of compassion and justice, have mercy on us as we confess our sin. We confess that our hearts are not pure. Pride, greed, and selfishness have crept into our lives. We try to impress the world, forgetting what pleases you. We are not the stewards Christ calls us to be. We possess riches while others go hungry. We mismanage creation with our pollution and strife. We do not let love guide our attitudes and actions. Forgive us, Lord, and purify our hearts.**

[Silent confession.] **Loving God, renew a steadfast spirit within us. May we love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.**

\*The Assurance of Pardon

God's Word assures us that if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Through Christ, our hearts are washed clean; our sins are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God!**

\*The Response

*Give Thanks*

Smith



Give thanks \_\_\_ with a grate - ful heart, give thanks \_\_\_ to the Ho - ly One, give



thanks be-cause he's giv-en Je-sus Christ \_\_\_ his son. Give thanks, give thanks, give thanks.

The Special Music

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty  
JuBELLation Choir

K. McChesney

## The Word of God

The Time with the Children

The Psalm

Psalm 146

page 692 OT

The Gospel Reading

Mark 12:38-44

page 67 NT

The Sermon

What's Important to God?

Pastor Ruth Estell

## Our Response to Serve

\*The Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

hymnal, page 14

\*The Hymn

*Take My Life*

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The Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (using sins)

**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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

The Offertory          Create in Me a Clean Heart          C. Mueller  
Chancel Choir

\*The Doxology          *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*          592  
**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.**

\*The Prayer of Dedication

\*The Hymn                                  *Lord of All Good*                                  375

\*The Charge and Benediction

\*The Congregational Response          *Go with Us, Lord*                                  535  
**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,  
that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.**

\*Postlude                          Improvisation on "Lobe den Herren"          G. Hancock  
*from Three Cincinnati Improvisations*

**Liturgist:** Kitty Myers

**Ushers:** Pete & Ginny Brucker, Larry Smith

**Greeter:** Cheryl Kelley

**Fellowship Hour:**

**Musical Talents:** Thomas Heidenreich – Director of Music Ministry and The Chancel and JuBELLation Choirs.

**Please join us immediately following worship in the gathering area for refreshments and fellowship.**

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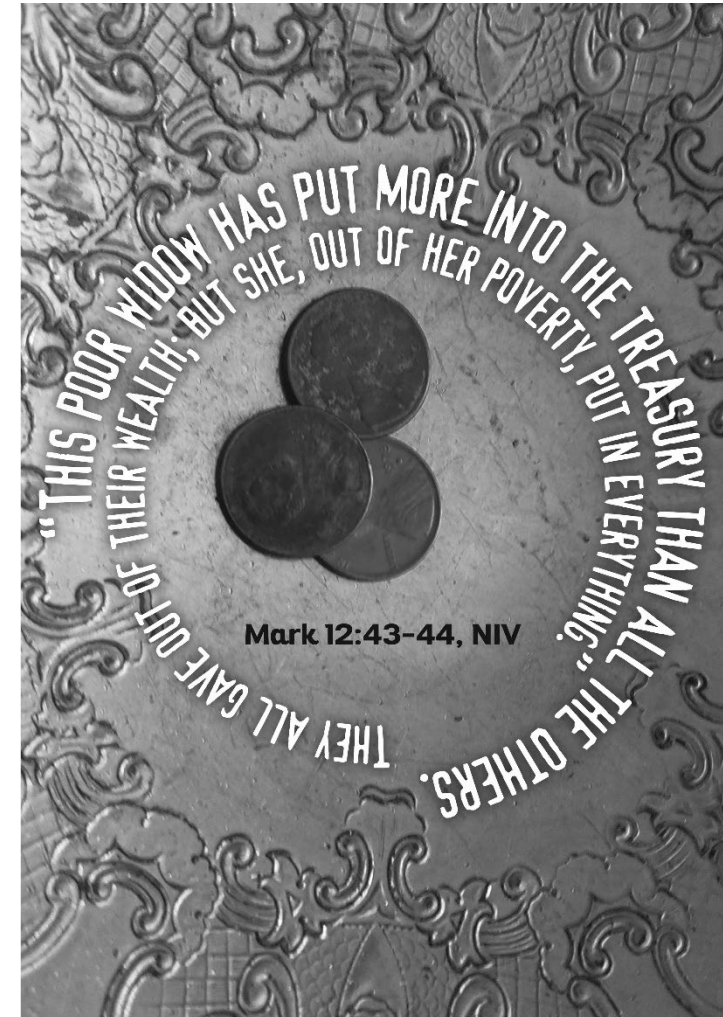
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# Second Presbyterian Church

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# Announcements and Upcoming Events

\*\*\*The JuBellation Choir will **NOT** have rehearsal on Wednesday, November 13.\*\*\*

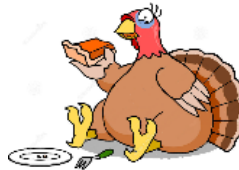
\*\*\*2<sup>nd</sup> @ Second will not meet today due to the Harvest Potluck\*\*\*



Office hours for the week of November 11-14 will be **Monday through Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** As unforeseen circumstances may occur, please call 989-792-1023 to be sure that someone is in the office before you drive to the church.

## Harvest Potluck

Enjoy some wonderful fall fellowship at the Harvest Potluck **TODAY, November 10, at 5:00 p.m.** The church supplies turkey, rolls, stuffing, potatoes, & gravy and you bring a dish to pass and your table service. Fellowship Hall doors will be unlocked at 2:00 p.m.



## Boy Scouts Wreath Sale



**TODAY**, the Boy Scout troop from Second Presbyterian Church will be in the gathering area after worship to take orders for Christmas greens. The profits from these items support the Scouts going to camps and events all year long. **Delivery to the church will be November 24** . Please support our Boy Scouts.

## Florence Gilmore Circle

**All women of the church** are invited to join us on **Wednesday, November 13**, at 9:30 a.m. for a discussion following a DVD about Rebecca.



**Sandy Rease would like to thank everyone** who has been thinking of her, praying for her, and sending cards as she recovers from surgery. She is touched by all your thoughtfulness!



Thanksgiving season let's share some of our abundance to help feed others.

## Harvest Sunday – November 24

We invite you to bring non-perishable food items to worship on **Sunday, November 24**. Please place it on the table in the main hallway by the office. We will collect food items through **Sunday, December 1 (First Sunday of Advent and Communion)**. At this

## A Book Group for Christmas

### “The 13<sup>th</sup> Gift” by Joanne Huist Smith

The bulk book order was placed on **Tuesday, November 5**. **If you requested a book, you will be notified by phone as soon as they come in.** The group will meet to discuss the book, enjoy some fellowship, and eat some treats on **Sunday, December 8 @ 1:30 p.m.** No need to sign up, just show up!



## MISSION NEWS



Please continue to look for items to donate to our winter-wear mission for local school children. Items will be collected through mid-November and may include mittens, hats, gloves, boots, snow suits, coats, etc., (for all ages and sizes).

Stockings are on the table in the entry hall to fill for the "I Support the 1%" Veterans' Food Pantry. A list of item ideas that may be included in the stockings is also available. **The collection has been extended to November 24.**



**Countryside Trinity Church in Saginaw**, invites you to the Ordination and Installation of Nathaniel Asperger! The service and celebration will be held **Saturday, November 16th, at 2pm.** Refreshments will follow the service. 4690 Weiss Street, Saginaw, MI 48603