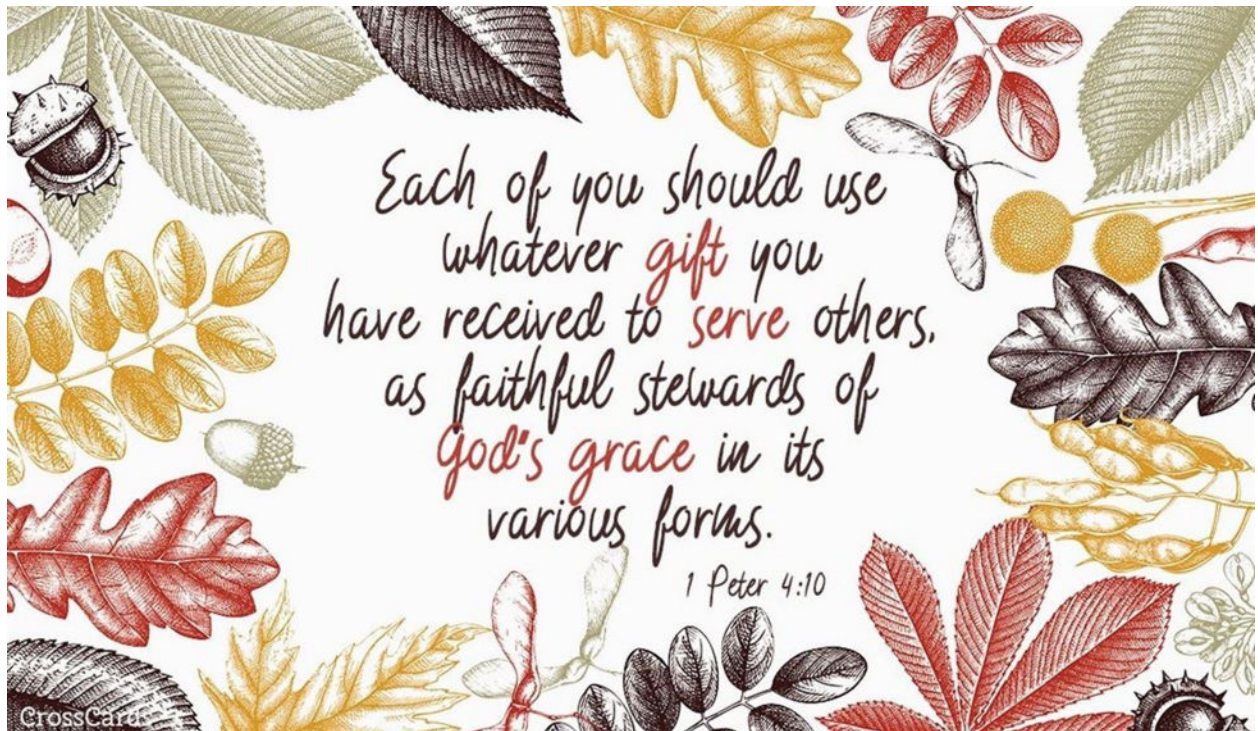




Sunday, November 19, 2023

Dedication Sunday

The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind so that you may pray. Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

1 Peter 4:7-11 (NIV)

- *CONNECTING YOU WITH CHRIST AND COMMUNITY* -

Greeters: Denny Davish, Linda & Bill Forrey, Cammie & Doug Camens, Sandy & John Wolfe

Ushers: Johnny Wood, Robert & Johanna Gingher, Harry & Eileen Flick, Bill DeLong

The Chancel Flowers are Presented By:

John & Mary Lou Hershey, in memory of their parents

Gathering in God's Name

Chimes & Prelude

Welcome & Ministry Highlights

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Please sign and pass the "Friendship Pad" down the pew.

At the end of the row, pass it back so that we can greet one another by name after the service.

* Call to Worship

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: Shout out to God, all the earth!

People: Break into joyful songs to the one true God!

Leader: Sing of the glory due His name,

People: and offer the most magnificent praises!

* Opening Hymn #551

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

Proclaiming God's Word

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

God of All Grace, All that we are, all that we have, and all that we will become is a gift from You. Forgive us when we forget this, and assume that time and talent are made by us.

Forgive us when we pridefully count our earnings, rather than delighting in Your gifts.

Remind us of the high calling: to be stewards of Your abundance, caretakers of all that You have entrusted to us. Make us faithful with little, and also with much, That we may give ourselves as You did, wholly and completely, In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.

Kyrie Eleison 572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Leader: The Lord has hidden His face from our sin. God has blotted out all of our iniquity. In Christ and his cross, He has created within us a clean heart and renewed a right spirit within us. So we are not cast away from his presence. We are endowed with the Holy Spirit, restored to the joy of God's salvation and given a willing spirit to do all that He asks and desires of us. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Leader: As we are forgiven and reconciled to God through Christ Jesus, let us be reconciled to one another. The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

* Gloria Patri 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*At this time, children through 4th grade are invited to attend Sunday School. Teachers are stationed at the main doors of the sanctuary and will walk the children to the children's classrooms in the Narthex.
Parents/Guardians may pick up their children after the service in the classroom.*

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 4:7-11

Message

"Our Gifts to Share - Part 2"

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Responding to God's Word

Vocal Solo

"Find Us Faithful" by Jon Mohr

Jeff Martin

We're pilgrims on the journey of the narrow road,
And those who've gone before us line the way.
Cheering on the faithful, Encouraging the weary,
Their lives a stirring testament to God's sustaining grace.

O may all who come behind us find us faithful,
May the fire of our devotion light their way.
May the footprints that we leave, lead them to believe,
And the lives we live inspire them to obey.

Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
Let us run the race not only for the prize,
But as those who've gone before us.
Let us leave to those behind us,
The heritage of faithfulness passed on thru Godly lives.

O may all who come behind us find us faithful.

After all our hopes and dreams have come and gone,
And our children sift thru all we've left behind,
May the clues that they discover,
And the mem'ries they uncover,
Become the light that leads them
To the road we each must find.

Dedication of our Offerings and Pledges

Jeff Doane

Wooden offering boxes are located in the narthex

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Bob Burns

**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 debts, as we forgive 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.**

Going in God's Name

* Closing Hymn #422 "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

* Charge and Benediction

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

* Congregational Response

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel His mighty power and His grace;
I can hear the brush of angels' wings; I see glory in each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.**

Postlude

*PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT

MUSIC: DR. PAUL THORLAKSON, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

JONATHAN LEFEVER, ORGANIST

A/V: MARK ANDERSON, GUS BEAULIEU

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FM sound devices are available. Please ask an usher for your own personal receiver.

Cell Phones should be silenced during the worship service.

Video Recordings of the service can be found on the Highland website at www.HighlandPC.org

In the event of an emergency, please refer to the card in the pew racks for evacuation and re-assembly information.