

**TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
LAST SUNDAY IN KINGDOMTIDE**

November 19, 2017

11:00 A.M.

Together in Christ, Reaching Beyond Our Doors.

GATHERING TO PRAISE

PRELUDE "Sinfonia on Now Thank We All Our God" J.S. Bach

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, GETTING ACQUAINTED

Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance Card as it is passed.

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

This is God's house – a place of peace where we befriend one another in the name of Christ. Greet those around you as a sign of God's peace and Christ's friendship.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Let us sing....

All: Praise be to God!

One: Who dared to take on human flesh and dwell among us.

All: Praise be to God!

One: Who did not turn back in the face of evil and death.

All: Praise be to God!

One: Who continues to dance through our lives even now.

All: Let all that have breath sing praise to God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" No. 126

A TIME TO CELEBRATE OUR CHILDREN

Ministry of Music

"Litany to the Holy Spirit"

CUMC Choristers

Where Children Belong

(congregation sings)

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RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Hymnal No. 33

CONNECTING WITH GOD IN PRAYER

CALL TO PRAYER "Hear our Prayer O Lord" The Chancel Choir

UNISON PRAYER

Gracious and Truthful God, through your living word, Jesus Christ, you spoke new life into your creation. You recreated our lives in his image and made us "Little Christs" so that his

word of grace and truth may continue to be spoken today. Strengthen us to embody this word in our lives that others may hear and see Christ in us. May your church, this church, be shaped into a community where being "Christian" means being merciful and kind and abounding in steadfast love. Teach us this way once again in our worship today. Speak to us for your servants are listening. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

No. 895

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, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

Choral Response "Hear Our Prayer O Lord"

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Thanksgiving Festival"

arr. John Lewers

Marnie Lane, trumpet

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices; who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way and still is ours today. Then let our thanks be rising. O may this bounteous God through all our lives be near us, with ever joyful hearts and gifts of love to cheer us, and free us from all ills, and bid our conflicts cease, and bless the earth with peace, then our prayers be rising. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, the holy Lord of love, who reigns in highest heaven, the one eternal God whom heaven and earth adore;
sing praise for evermore. Then let our song be rising. Alleluia!

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 1: 1-5, 10-18

(NT p. 91)

Leader: The Word of God. All: For the People of God. **Leader: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"Being Christian: Grace Meets Truth"

GIVING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Hymn

"Word of God, Come Down to Earth"

No. 182

*Doxology

No. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here

below. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

"Grace Alone"

No. 2162

*PASTORAL BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION "Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing"

*POSTLUDE

"Now Thank We All Our God"

SigfidKarg-Elert