# Beulah Presbyterian Church Christ the King Sunday November 21, 2021 GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

**PRELUDE** 

"Old Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

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#### WELCOME

#### MINUTE FOR MISSION

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

God stretches out the heavens and shapes the earth.

#### **Come and Give Thanks**

God raises up the mountains and pours water into the seas.

# Come and give thanks

God calls forth plants from the soil and forms animals in infinite variety.

# Come and give thanks.

God breathes upon us and fills us with life.

## Come lift your voices in praise!

God gives our lives meaning through laughter and tears.

# Come lift your voices in praise!

God touches our hearts through family and friends.

# Come lift your voices in praise!

God loves us and blesses us with everything good.

## Come and Worship!

God loves us and overwhelms us with never-ending generosity.

#### **Come and Worship!**

God loves us and surrounds us with love in abundance!

Come and worship!

\*Hymn

"We Gather Together"

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#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Sometimes we fail to notice the ways we are falling short of the high calling of discipleship. Confession is like holding up a mirror to honestly see ourselves and to clearly remember the mercy of God. Trusting in God's forgiveness, let us say together the Prayer of Confession.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESTION

In the midst of our thanksgiving Lord, we pause in silence to recall how we so often lose sight of the gifts of each day and of their Giver. O God, we know that we forget to thank you. Forgive us. Grant us clear minds to know you, new hearts to love you, strong hands to serve you. Help us live this day, this week, and always so that our whole life is a thanksgiving to you. Amen

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. The old life has passed away and a new life has begun. Know that we are forgiven and be at peace. **Thanks be to God! Amen.** 

#### \*PASSING THE PEACE

God's love knows no bounds, let us rejoice in the knowledge of that love by sharing the peace of Christ with one another.

# A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

(Children are invited to participate in activities at the Prayground area in front of the pulpit for the remainder of the service.)

# WORD PROCLAIMED

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. **Amen** 

#### **SCRIPTURE**

1<sup>st</sup> Lesson Psalm 132:1-12

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson 1st Thessalonians 5: 12-18

The word of God for the People of God. Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** "Unlimited Thanks" Commissioned Pastor Pam Wessel

# **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - From the Belhar Confession

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ, that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.... Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

# **SENDING**

\*Hymn "Come Ye Thankful People Come"

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## **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** "Now Thank We All Our God"

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Go in Peace

A special word of thanks to all those who helped make this worship service possible. It is good to be together!

# **Remember in Prayer**

Carol Daugherty, Peggy Oliver, Ray Sherley, Micki Rader, Bobbie Lombard,
Donna Hagerthey, Susan Rock
Rev. Judy Hockenbery
All those who are Care Givers
Jake Mohn, Dylan Brooks, Jeffrey Schmidt, and
All Service Personnel and their families.

# Welcome! We warmly greet all who have come to worship God.

We are so glad that you are here. We hope that joining us for worship today will nurture your heart and transform your mind. Here at Beulah our mission is transforming lives through the love of Jesus Christ – that simple and that challenging. We realize we need each other and commit to pray for each other. We reach out in love and compassion to a world in need, and we know we are a work in progress. If you are new to Beulah, we hope you will join us again and consider attending any of our mission, fellowship, and education opportunities. God's peace to you today.

**Membership** ~ If you have any questions about membership, please call the church office at 502-239-3231 or email <a href="mailto:carol@beulahpres.org">carol@beulahpres.org</a>.

**Learn more** by visiting us on our website at <a href="www.beulahpres.org">www.beulahpres.org</a>, and on our Facebook page at Beulah Presbyterian Church.

**Assisting in worship** ~ Pastor Pam Wessel; Liturgist Ashley Hostetter; Music, Sue Kyle, Bill Kyle; Minute for Mission, Nancy Leach; Sound Crew, Brent Dellacoletta, Jim Harris

**Virtual Ministry** ~ Please follow us on our Website <u>www.beulahpres.org</u>, Facebook, Instagram@beulah\_pres, and YouTube to stay up to date on upcoming events, view previous worship services, live stream services, and see what's happening in the life and ministry of Beulah!

**Listening Devices** ~ The Sanctuary is equipped with Listening Devices for persons with Hearing Difficulty. Please ask an usher for assistance.

**Electronic Devices** ~ In the hustle and bustle of getting yourselves ready for church it is easy to forget to turn off our cell phones. We offer this gentle reminder to please power off cell phones and other electronic devices so that the worship service is not disrupted by them.

**Large Print Worship Bulletin** ~ If you or someone you know needs a large print bulletin of today's service, please ask one of the ushers and they will assist you.

