### LET US WORSHIP GOD!

November 16, 2025—10:30 AM

#### TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER



#### A HYBRID WORSHIP EXPERIENCE IN-PERSON AND ONLINE

Today's worship team—Music Director: Jayne McDonough; Worship Leader:John Saalman; Message: Rev. William Gaskill, Pulpit Supply; Worship Production: Norris Clark



#### **WELCOME! WORSHIP YOUR WAY!**

So glad you're here today! Enjoy worship with your neighbors and be spiritually energized. Join us in-person in our beautiful, historic Red Brick Church or online: <a href="https://www.coldspringworship.com">www.coldspringworship.com</a>

#### **MESSAGE PREVIEW:**

Rev. William Gaskill's message is titled "Beyond Destruction - New Creation

#### MUSIC PREVIEW:

Ruth Rich is playing her flute with our hymns today, thank you Ruth!

The hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" was written by Joachim Neander in 1680 as a loose summary of Psalm 103 and 150. Neander was a German Calvinist schoolmaster whose life was marked by adversity and a strong faith, despite a wild youth. The hymn's text was inspired by his walks through the Neander Valley in Germany, and it was later translated into English by Catherine Winkworth.

The exact origins of "Fairest Lord Jesus" are unknown, but the hymn first appeared in a 1677 German Jesuit hymnbook, with the lyrics likely written by German Jesuits as early as 1607.

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Despite the popular myth that it was sung by Crusaders, there is no historical evidence to support this claim. The melody comes from an ancient Silesian folk song, and the fourth stanza was added in English by Joseph A. Seiss in 1873.

The hymn "Crown Him with Many Crowns" was written by Matthew Bridges in 1851, inspired by Revelation 19:12, "On His head were many crowns". Anglican clergyman Godfrey Thring later added more verses to the hymn to express his Protestant theological views, concerned that Bridges's original verses contained "Catholic theology". Today, the hymn is a popular mix of stanzas from both Bridges and Thring.

PRELUDE JAYNE McDonough

WELCOME: LITURGIST: JOHN SAALMAN

GOD WELCOMES ALL (UNISON)

God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong and it never ends.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP: (UNISON) MALACHI 4:1-2A

Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire," says the Lord Almighty. "Not a root or a branch will be left to them. But for you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its rays. And you will go out and frolic like well-fed calves.

## **OPENING PRAYER: (UNISON)**

Heavenly Father, as we gather this morning, we thank you for the gift of this day and the opportunity to worship together. We pray for a spirit of peace and reverence to fill our hearts and minds as we listen to your Word and respond in praise. Strengthen us by your Holy Spirit to live out your will, and may your light shine through us into the world. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

## GATHERING HYMN - #482 (Blue) "Praise Ye THE LORD THE ALMIGHTY"

- Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty,
   The King of creation!
   O my soul, praise Him,
   For He is thy health and salvation!
   All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near; Join me in glad adoration!
- 2. Praise to the Lord, Who over all things So wondrously reigneth, Shelters thee under His wings, Yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires ever have been Granted in what He ordaineth?

# 3. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him! All that hath life and breath, Come now with praises before Him! Let the amen sound from His people again; Gladly for aye we adore Him.

## CALL TO CONFESSION: (PSALM 32:5)

The psalmist wrote, "Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,' and you forgave the guilt of my sin." Let us not hide our sins from God, but confess before God and one another, assured of God's gracious forgiveness in Jesus Christ.

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (UNISON) PSALM 106: 6-7, 47

We have sinned, even as our ancestors did; we have done wrong and acted wickedly. When our ancestors were in Egypt, they gave no thought to your miracles; they did not remember your many kindnesses, and they rebelled by the sea, the Red Sea. Save us, Lord our God, and gather us from the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise.

Silent Reflection

#### HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE: V. 48

Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. Let all the people say, "Amen!" Praise the Lord.

#### \* The Gloria

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, Amen.

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, Jesus said, "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and obey it!" Open our hearts and minds to the reading and hearing of your holy Word today, that we may be doers of the Word, and not hearers only. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Word made flesh. Amen.

#### FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: ISAIAH 65: 17-25

"See, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I will create, for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight and its people a joy. I will rejoice over Jerusalem and take delight in my people; the sound of weeping and of crying

will be heard in it no more. "Never again will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not live out his years; the one who dies at a hundred will be thought a mere child; the one who fails to reach a hundred will be considered accursed. They will build houses and dwell in them; they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit. No longer will they build houses and others live in them, or plant and others eat. For as the days of a tree, so will be the days of my people; my chosen ones will long enjoy the work of their hands. They will not labor in vain, nor will they bear children doomed to misfortune; for they will be a people blessed by the Lord, they and their descendants with them. Before they call I will answer; while they are still speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb will feed together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox, and dust will be the serpent's food. They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain," says the Lord.

#### SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: LUKE 21: 5-19

Some of his disciples were remarking about how the temple was adorned with beautiful stones and with gifts dedicated to God. But Jesus said, "As for what you see here, the time will come when not one stone will be left on another; every one of them will be thrown

down." "Teacher," they asked, "when will these things happen? And what will be the sign that they are about to take place?" He replied: "Watch out that you are not deceived. For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am he,' and, 'The time is near.' Do not follow them. When you hear of wars and uprisings, do not be frightened. These things must happen first, but the end will not come right away." Then he said to them: "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven. "But before all this, they will seize you and persecute you. They will hand you over to synagogues and put you in prison, and you will be brought before kings and governors, and all on account of my name. And so you will bear testimony to me. But make up your mind not to worry beforehand how you will defend yourselves. For I will give you words and wisdom that none of your adversaries will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents, brothers and sisters, relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. Everyone will hate you because of me. But not a hair of your head will perish. Stand firm, and you will win life.

# MESSAGE: "BEYOND DESTRUCTION - NEW CREATION" REV. WILLIAM GASKILL

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION

# HYMN OF MEDITATION - #306 (BLUE) "FAIREST LORD JESUS"

- 1. Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O Thou of God to earth come down, Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.
- 2. Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, Robed in the blooming garb of spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.
- 3. Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, And all the twinkling, starry host: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer, Than all the angels heav'n can boast.

## OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS: (2 CORINTHIANS 9:8)

The apostle Paul reminds us, "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." With gratitude for God's goodness and in response to God's indescribable gift of Jesus Christ, let us present our tithes and offerings.

OFFERTORY

#### THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above the heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Prayer of Dedication



# COMMUNITY NEWS BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

Birthday Blessings to:

Trudie Schroder ~ Nov. 22



**Flowers**: To donate flowers in memory, or in honor, of a loved one, sign up in the narthex and/or contact Beverly Mate, 609-847-1530. (\$20/vase).



#### Wreaths Across America

Ceremony on Saturday, December 13 at noon. Order forms to sponsor or buy a wreath for a

veteran's gravesite, are available in the narthex.



## SAVE THE DATE: CHURCH DECORATING FOR ADVENT ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 10:00 a.m.

Please let Beverly Mate know if you are available to help!

Poinsettias for the church sanctuary for Advent & Christmas Eve- forms are in the narthex to purchase a poinsettia in honor or memorial of loved ones. \$20.00 per Poinsettia, you can take them home after the Christmas Eve Worship Celebration. Please return forms with payment by Dec. 7, in the collection plate or to the church office.

**Seeking Readers** for our Advent Candle Lightings, families, couples, friends, all welcome! See Pastor Dave for details.

Sunday, December 21st - 10:30 am Service be here & bring your family & invite your friends for this special Musical Celebration of Christ's Birth through readings & music, "Christmas Around the World"

## RECEIVING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(If you'd like to add to our prayer list, please complete a green Let's Pray card.)

Pray for: Pray for: James Dodd, Jr recuperating at home after a serious illness and hospital stay; Comfort for friends and family of Ken Ross, a veteran who passed away this week; Rev. Jim Shanley, his recuperation from a heart procedure is not going well; Max Moran's Mother who was recently diagnosed with breast cancer; Denise's stepdaughter, Lori, whose cancer has returned for the third time. She is receiving very serious treatment. Paula Spence is through her heart procedure and doing well; Comfort for friends & family of John Stroble, a veteran who passed away; Abby Carr awaiting a lung transplant; Ariana Palmer, 23 year old awaiting heart transplant.

Continual prayer requested for: Eileen Stalford in nursing care; Pastor Bob & Anna Sheidly friends of Bob Heinly, as they battle multiple maladies of aging; Bob Sheidly is now the caretaker for Anna, who is having more health difficulties. Betty, Beverly's mother in law suffering with dementia.

<u>Those on hospice care:</u> Marty, John Stalford, Gertrude Hess, Ted Lewis

Those undergoing cancer treatment: Kiley Fulford; Bob Maher, Karen R., Keith, Todd, Brian, Gerri Mills,

Robin B, Mike, Kim, Steve, Rickey, Lorraine, Candy, Donna, Liz, Joe, Jennifer, Lori, Ruth, Debbie, Mike Grecco Norma, Roseann Crook, Christa, Jackie, Diane, Charlotte Holman, Joe Paulits, Gretchen, Ray, Carl & Robert.

PASTORAL PRAYER

#### 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.

#### FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

Once we were strangers,

Now we are neighbors.

Once we were strangers,

Now we are friends.

SENDING HYMN: #151 (BLUE) "CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS"

1. Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne; Hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns All music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

- 2. Crown Him the Lord of love;
  Behold His hands and side,
  Rich wounds, yet visible above,
  In beauty glorified:
  No angel in the sky
  Can fully bear that sight,
  But downward bends his burning eye
  At mysteries so bright.
- 3. Crown Him the Lord of peace; Whose power a sceptre sways From pole to pole, That wars may cease, Absorbed in prayer and praise: His reign shall know no end; And round His pierced feet Fair flowers of paradise extend Their fragrance ever sweet.
- 4. Crown Him the Lord of years, The Potentate of time; Creator of the rolling spheres,

Ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For Thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail
Throughout eternity.

BENEDICTION: REV. WILLIAM GASKILL
POSTLUDE: JAYNE McDonough

Go in peace. See you next week!

So glad you've joined us. Please Like and Subscribe on our YouTube channel, Facebook, and Instagram. Worship at any time on YouTube. Invite others to join you next week.

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- 1. God Welcomes All CCLI Song #5495557
- 2. Praise Ye the Lord the Almighty: Joachim Neander, 1680, Trans. Catherine Winkeorth, 1863; CCLI Song #43073
- 3. Gloria Public Domaine
- 4. Fairest Lord Jesus: Munster Gesangbuch. 1677, Transl. Church Chorals & Choir Studies 1850 alt., in Schlesische Volksleider, 1842; CCLI Song #5473665
- 5. *Doxology -* CCLI Song #4255578
- 6. Crown Him with Many Crowns: Matthew Bridges, George Job Elvey; CCLI Song #23938