



Morning Worship CELEBRATION

November 6, 2011

177 Years of Reaching Up in Faith- -Reaching Out in Love

ADORATION

PRAYER REQUESTS (Prayer requests are received by writing down prayers on the card found as an insert in this bulletin. These cards are passed down the pew, to the aisle, and collected by the Ushers during the Hymn of Praise. Then, during Time for Meditation and Prayer, these prayers are lifted up by the Congregation.)

"A quiet time for prayer and centering"

THE BELL CALLS US TO WORSHIP

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Renew Me, O Eternal Light" Paul Manz

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" 494
(receive prayer requests)

COMMUNITY

CELEBRATING THE LOVE OF CHRIST

*Family Hymn "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" vs. 1 368

***CENTERING OUR CELEBRATION** Isaiah 43: 16-19 selected

Leader: Gathered together, we look for what will be.

People: Expecting to worship, we settle our bodies and still our minds.

Leader: The Spirit is gently moving. We become a worshipping community.

People: We are ready to pray, to sing, and to listen. We are ready to worship.

MORNING PRAYER

Gracious God, we are awake, eager to see the possibilities life in you have to offer. During this time, provide us with what we need to fuel the fire of the Spirit within us. Through music and word, help us to sense your presence and be alert to your future. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

God's Word in Music "Gather the People"

TESTIMONY

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

Opportunities for Ministry: Stewardship Mike Spicer

MOMENT WITH THE YOUTH

(Elementary children remain in worship)

Scripture: New Testament Lessons: Matthew 25:1-13 (p. 860)

*Hymn of the Word "Lead, Kindly Light" 477

Sermon: Tending to the light of Christ.

REFLECTION AND PRAYERS

SERVICE

OUR OFFERING FOR GOD AND OUR NEIGHBORS

(Please sign the attendance pad located at the center aisle end of the pew.)

Offering Our Gifts for God's Work

Offertory Music "Open My Eyes, That I May See" Arr. Wilda J. Auld

*Prayer of Dedication

O God, with these gifts we commit ourselves again to tending the light of Christ. Fill us, and these gifts, with patience and wisdom to do your will. In the name of our Savior Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

***RECESSIONAL HYMN** "We Are Walking" (sing two times through) 336

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE "In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful"

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,

In the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God, do not be afraid.

Lift up your voices, the Lord is near,

Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

POSTLUDE "Send the Light" Arr. theme - Charles H. Gabriel

**Please stand if able.*

UPWARD TEAM

The team is now coordinating various stages to get 2011-12 season on its way. One vital component we still could use help with is Volunteers. Need Volunteers (23 for each night) for Evaluations **November 14th & 15th, 6:00 PM- 9:00 PM**, Greeters, Registration, Sizing, On the Court, etc...This is a great outreach opportunity to see how sports and faith become one. It's because of You thousands of kids/adults have been introduced to Jesus Christ! Please contact Mike Sly (810) 444-1927 msly33@sbcglobal.net to get started. To learn more about the Upward Sports ministry go to www.upward.org.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION PRACTICE TIME CHANGE

Practice time is changed from 9:00 AM on Sundays to 11:30 AM on Sundays.

OUR STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:

We give because God first gave to us. "You received without payment; give without payment"

(Matthew 10:8)

Ministries & Special EVENTS

NORTH END SOUP KITCHEN

Sister Circle is volunteering **this morning** at the North End Soup Kitchen in Flint. The Outreach team is thankful for Sister Circles support for this outreach program. If an individual or a group is interested in volunteering at the soup kitchen, please contact Georgette Engard at (810) 655-2734.

ADULT STUDY CLASS

Today at 9:00 AM, Bible Study with Pastor Joe will begin a five-week study on the book, "A Faith of your Own" and will help you discover what you really believe. **Monday, November 7th at 6:00 PM** the 6-week Sacred Parenting Class begins. For more information and registration, see the table in the Christian Life Center after church.

24TH ANNUAL "COMMUNITY MESSIAH SING" - NOVEMBER 20, 4:30 PM

Contact Lavonne Bomeli at choir13@aol.com if you are interested in volunteering to sign with this chorus. Next rehearsals are **November 8th & November 15th from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM**, held at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church of Grand Blanc, 9020 S. Saginaw and are optional.

UCC T-SHIRTS

Attention, we now have awesome new "church shirts". Get in the game, join the UCC team and purchase yours today. The Evangelism Team will be taking orders until **November 13th**. Order sheets will be in the Christian Life Center on Sunday or call the church office during the week. We have both shirts Zone (yellow with green print) and Adult shirts (blue with white print). T-shirts - \$10, Collared Shirts - \$12, Shirts and Sweatshirts - \$23.

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES - Due back Sunday Nov 20th

We have passed out all 115 shoe boxes to be filled for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. This outreach opportunity reaches children all across the world by sharing gifts and the Word of God to all. The shoe boxes need to be given back to the church no later than the morning of Sunday, November 20th. They can be placed in the narthex or dropped off in the church office before then. Thank you, The Outreach Team

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS

The Outreach Team is looking for a few more volunteers to purchase perishables and/or turkeys for the 14 Grand Blanc families our church will be supplying with Thanksgiving food baskets. Please see Marty Royer after worship to sign up to purchase perishables or turkeys. You can also purchase non-perishable item listed below by the first letter of your last name as follows: A-C canned goods; D-G paper goods; H-L cleaning supplies; M-P hygiene products; Q-X boxed goods; T-Z canned fruits/vegetables and soups, and pastas, tooth paste, paper towels and laundry detergent are all welcome. They can be placed in the fellowship hall. **All perishable items should be in by November 20th** and **nonperishable items must be in by Thursday, November 17th** for delivery on Sunday, November 20th. Thank you, The Outreach Team

SUNDAY OFFERING

The Offering for Sunday, October 30 was \$4,826.00, Second Mile was \$190.00.

Please join us after worship for refreshments in the Christian Life Center.

THANKS

To those who assisted in today's worship services

Ministers	Acolytes
All the Members	Tom Ermiger Cayden Fairman
Senior Pastor	Lay Liturgist
Rev. Joe Schulte	Dan Richardson
Organist	Prayers
Lavonne Bomeli	Lana Bellah
Director of Music	Usher Captain
Brandon Sanders	Joy Hershberger
Public Address System	Tally Team
Bob Throop	Bob Tressedder
Host	Coffee Hour Hosts
Paris Stetkiw	Ed & Sue VanHollenbeke
Greeters	Open & Close Church
Jeanette & George Adams	Fred Loomis



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HEARING ASSISTANCE

If you need hearing assistance, ask an usher about our Williams Sound

Church Staff

Senior Pastor
Rev. Joe Schulte

**Director of Youth &
Educational Ministries**

Tracy Loomis

Church Secretary

Wanda Kitchen

Chief Financial Officer

Carla Meier

Director of Music

Brandon Sanders

Organist

Lavonne Bomeli

Learning House Director

Susan Arnould

Parish Visitor

Barbara Benson

Custodian

Tom McLaren

OPPORTUNITIES

for this week

<i>Sunday, November 6</i>	Harvest Table
	9:00 Faith of Your Own
	10:00 Soup Kitchen (Sister Circle)
	10:30 Worship
	10:30 Sunday School
	10:30 The Net
	11:30 Christmas Celebration Practice
	11:30 Fellowship
	11:30 Net Delivery - Food Baskets
	8:00 Men's Basketball
<i>Monday, November 7</i>	6:00 Building & Grounds Team
	6:30 Sacred Parenting Class
	6:30 Boy Scout Parent Mtg.
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<i>Tuesday, November 8</i>	9:15 Pastor Bible Study
	6:00 FABA Basketball
	6:30 Youth Team
	7:00 Alcoholic Anonymous
	7:00 Forgiven Band Practice
<i>Wednesday, November 9</i>	10:00 Chapel
	12:00 Staff Mtg.
	6:00 Autism Group Basketball
	6:00 Team Leaders
	7:00 Seventh-Day Adventists
<i>Thursday, November 10</i>	4:30 Confirmation
	7:00 Zumba
	7:30 Choir
<i>Friday, November 11</i>	6:00 FABA Basketball
<i>Saturday, November 12</i>	9:00 Seventh-Day Adventists
	12:00 Seventh-Day Adventists Luncheon
	2:30 Barber Birthday Party
	7:00 Alcoholic Anonymous
<i>Sunday, November 13</i>	9:00 Faith of Your Own
	10:30 Worship
	10:30 Sunday School
	10:30 The Net
	11:30 Christmas Celebration Practice
	11:30 Fellowship
	11:30 Net Delivery - Food Baskets
	8:00 Men's Basketball

Prayers and Concerns:

Please pray for Norma & Deloy Burrows, Joan Duff, Marilyn Dunlap, Ann Edgcombe, Arnold Fletcher, Helen Jewett, Owen Mooney, Wilma Palmer, Claude Shinn, George Smith, Howard Weaver, & Dale Wells

WELCOME!

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Times



“Our mission is to enable disciples to change the world to the glory of God by living the teachings of Jesus our Christ.”



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