

# **THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP A SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING**

**BALDWIN UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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10.00 A.M.

November 28, 2019

## **WE GATHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST** *(Please be seated in silence)*

### **Organ Prelude**

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### **Call to Worship**

(Inspired by Psalm 100)

### **Antiphonal**

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

**People: *Worship the LORD with gladness.***

Leader: Come into his presence with singing. Know that the LORD is God and that it is he who made us

**People: *We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.***

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

**People: *Give thanks to him, bless his name.***

Leader: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

**People: *and his faithfulness to all generations.***

**\*Hymn**

**INSERT**

*“Let All Things Now Living”*

**\*Prayer of the Day**

L: Let us give thanks to the LORD our God.

***P: It is right to offer thanks and praise.***

L: Let us pray.

Leader: God of all mercies, we give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all people. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your boundless love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. Give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory now and forever. *Amen.*

## HIS LIGHT DISPELS OUR DARKNESS

### **\*Call to Confession**

Let us together acknowledge how we so often lose sight of the gifts of each day and of their Giver.

### **\*Prayer of Confession**

**Unison**

*Loving God, we come before you blessed by the richness of your bounty but too often convinced that we merit the wealth and comforts we enjoy. Sometimes our minds are clouded, and we forget that you are the Lord of the harvest. Sometimes our hearts are hardened, and we forget to love one another and share of what we have received. Sometimes our strength falters, and we vainly cling to our treasures on earth rather than to you. Grant to us clear minds to know you, new hearts to love you, and strong hands to serve you so that our lives may be a daily thanksgiving to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord as we pray in the words he gave us, saying: "Our Father.....Amen."*

### **\*Silent Prayer**

### **\*Assurance of Pardon**

**Minister**

God declares his power chiefly in mercy and compassion. Rejoice therefore that for the sake of Christ Jesus we are a forgiven people.

***Thanks be to God!***

### **\*Gloria Patri**

**#546**

**\*The Peace**

**Offertory**

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**\*Organ Response #552**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Doxology #544**

**\*Hymn # 9**

*“Now Thank We All Our God”*

**HIS LIGHT GRANTS US VISION**

**Prayer for Illumination Unison**  
*Three-fold holy God, as the scripture is read and your Word proclaimed, let your love remind us that it is your power, not ours, that gives us hope for new life and peace. In Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.*

**First Reading Pew Bible pg. 180**  
*Deuteronomy 26:1-11*

**Second Reading Pew Bible pg. 198**  
*Philippians 4:4-9*

**Gospel Reading Pew Bible pg. 98**  
*John 6:25-39*

**Sermon Rev. Walkup**

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**Affirmation of Faith**

**Apostles' Creed**

*Hymnal pg. 12; using "Holy Spirit"*

**Prayers of the People**

**WE BEAR THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO OTHERS**

**\*Hymn**

**#524**

*"We Plow the Fields and Scatter"*

**\*Charge & Blessing**

**\*Postlude**

***\*Please Stand if Able***

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*Happy  
Thanksgiving*

**MAY EVERYONE HAVE A BLESSED AND HAPPY  
THANKSGIVING!**

*“O give thanks to the **LORD**, for he is good; his love  
endures forever!*