

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY to prayerfully consider giving in thankfulness

✠ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION:** (*unison*)

Jesus, in view of your mercy, we offer up thanks thru giving. Amen.

✠ **DOXOLOGY:** (*unison*) Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly
host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Go Out as God's People in the World

✠ **Closing Hymn HB #473:** "Blessed Be the Tie that Binds"

✠ **BENEDICTION:** Hebrews 13:20-21 *by Pastor Janet*

Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

✠ **POSTLUDE** *by Tracy (Yu) Qian*

Following today's service please join us in the upstairs
hall for coffee & conversation.



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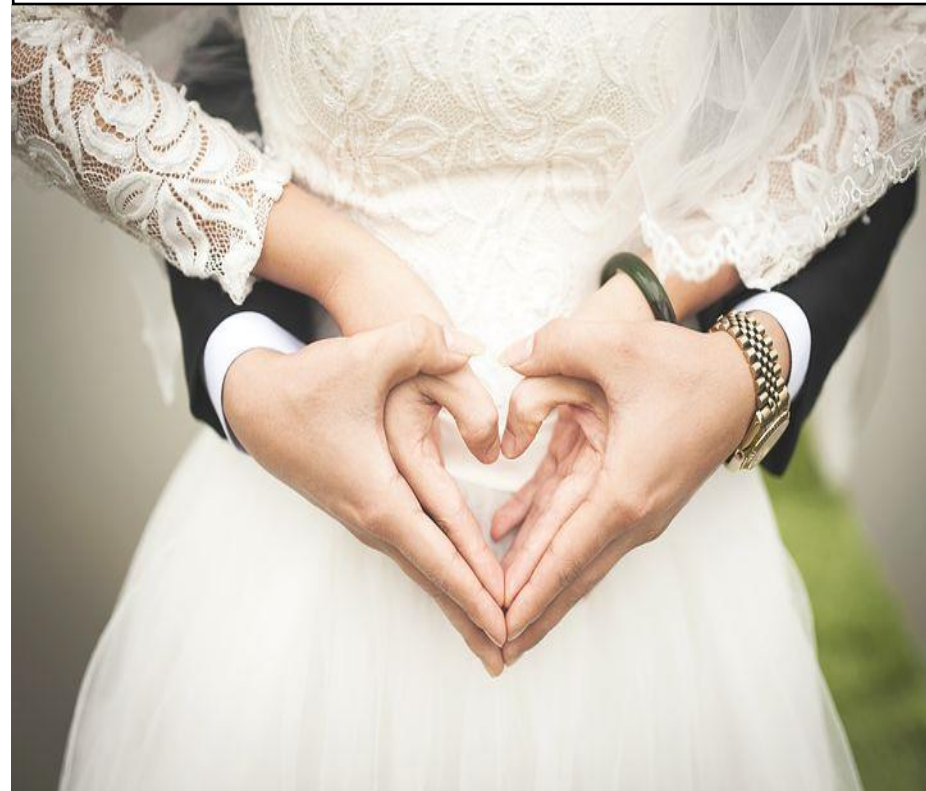
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Today's Worship Leaders:

Pastor: The Reverend Dr. Janet A. Hufford

Organist/Pianist: Tracy (Yu) Qian

Elder Assisting: Kathy Wallace

The Lord's Day Worship

October 31, 2021

Worship, 11am

Assisted Listening Devices are available in the Sanctuary during Worship.
If you need instructions, please see the Greeter.

(Those not wanting to be seen on the **video recording**, please sit under the balcony.)

Hymnals: HB is "The Hymnbook" (burgundy) & HoF is "Hymns of Faith" (scarlet)

Gathering of God's People

After the chimes, please be in quiet reverence & silence cell phones.

3 RINGS OF THE STEEPLE BELLS & CHIMES

WELCOME by Kathy Wallace, ruling elder: chair of Christian Education

ANNOUNCEMENTS (See insert.)

PRELUDE by Tracy (Yu) Qian

↑ stand as able

↑ **CALL TO WORSHIP:** Rev 19:4-7a (*responsively*)

The twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God, who was seated on the throne. And they cried:

Amen, Hallelujah!

Then a voice came from the throne saying:

"Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him, both great and small!"

Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting:

"Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns.

Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory!

↑ **Opening Hymn** HB #433: "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

↑ **PRAYER OF CONFESSION:** based on Hebrews 13:1-19 (*unison*):

For our failing: to love one another as brothers & sisters; to show hospitality to strangers; to help those in prison & being mistreated; to keep the marriage bed pure, by practicing or imagining sexual immorality; to be content with what we have by coveting money & goods; to discern strange & false teaching; to offer a sacrifice of praise; to share with others; and to submit to the authority of leaders, Jesus, hear our confession & forgive our sin. (*Pause in silent confession.*)

↑ **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS:** Hebrews 9:27-28 (*responsively*)

Just as people are destined to die only once, and after that to face judgment,

So Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

↑ **GLORIA PATRI / RESPONSE:** (*unison*) 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.

Proclamation of God's Word

↑ **CALL TO GOD'S WORD:** John 10:35 & Romans 4:3 (*unison*)

"Scripture cannot be set aside... What does Scripture say?"

↑ **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:** (*unison*)

Lord, through your Spirit enable us to consider your Word, and to enact it in our lives to bring you glory and praise. Amen.

SCRIPTURE:

Hebrews 13:14

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SERMON:

"Marriage Should Be Honored by All"

by the Reverend Janet Hufford.

Response to God's Word

↑ **Hymn of Response** HB #437 **tune 1:** "The Church's One Foundation"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Rev 19:7-9a, 10b; 22:17a, 20-1 (*responsively*)

Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory!

"For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear. (Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of God's holy people.)

Then the angel said to me,

"Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!"

Worship God! For it is the Spirit of prophecy who bears testimony to Jesus...

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!"

He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon."

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. The grace of the Lord Jesus be with God's

PRAYERS of JOYS & CONCERNS followed by **LORD'S PRAYER** (*unison*)

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.