MITCHELL ROAD
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

November 22 - 8:30 am and 9:45 am
Sanctuary

For a brief hour, we step into the continual stream of worship which is being offered all around the world, which began long before us and will be offered until the end of time, and through eternity.

Prelude — *Now Thank We All Our God* — arr. Michael Burkhardt

Community Life

PRAISING THE CREATOR

Choral Introit — *Festival of Praise*

Oh come and sing unto the Lord;
Shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.
Come before His presence with blessing in your heart;
Oh come and sing unto the Lord.

In His hand are the deep places of the earth,
The heights and the hills and the seas.
He is our God and we are His people;
Oh come before Him with song.
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*Call to Worship — Psalm 95:1-3, 6

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

*Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn of Praise

Creation sings the Father's song; He calls the sun to wake the dawn
And run the course of day, till evening falls in crimson rays.
His fingerprints on flakes of snow, His breath upon this spinning globe,
He charts the eagle's flight; commands the newborn baby's cry. *(continued)*

**Please stand if able*

Hallelujah! Let all creation stand and sing, "Hallelujah!"
Fill the earth with songs of worship; Tell the wonders of creation's King.

Creation gazed upon His face; the ageless One in time's embrace,
Unveiled the Father's plan of reconciling God and man.
A second Adam walked the earth, whose blameless life would break the curse;
Whose death would set us free to live with Him eternally.

Creation longs for His return, when Christ shall reign upon the earth;
The bitter wars that rage are birth pains of a coming age.
When He renews the land and sky, all heav'n will sing and earth reply
With one resplendent theme; the glory of our God and King!

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*Litany of Thanksgiving

Kenyan Prayer

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.
Leader: It is right and our delight to give you thanks and praise,
All: for you are the great Father, living God, supreme over all the world.
Leader: From a wandering nomad you created your family; for a burdened people you raised up a leader;
All: for a confused nation you chose a king; for a rebellious crowd you sent your prophets.
Leader: In these last days you have sent us your Son, your perfect image,
All: bringing your kingdom, revealing your will,
dying, rising, reigning, remaking your people for yourself.
Leader: Through him you have poured out your Holy Spirit,
All: filling us with light and life!
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Hymn of Thanksgiving

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God, the Father, now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

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Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 8:27–29

Reader: This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God!**

LAMENTING THE FALL

Confession of Sin

Leader: Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin.
All: Forgive us for hearts that offer complaints rather than thanksgiving, for idolizing comfort, being envious of what others have, and not trusting you to provide for our needs.

Leader: Help us to have grateful hearts that acknowledge you as the giver of all good gifts.
All: Help us to love what you love, obey you with joyful hearts, and make you our greatest treasure. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Moment of Silent Confession

CHERISHING REDEMPTION

Words of Grace and Peace

Ephesians 2:13-14, 19

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility... So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.

*Song of Gratitude

K4-K5 may leave for Kids Ministry.
8:30 am—One parent will need to escort the child to volunteers in the Commons Area for Kids Church.
9:45 am—One parent will need to escort the child downstairs to join Kids Sunday School.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who bore my pain;
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again;
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me with His light,
And wrote His law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who walks beside;
Who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly;
Whose ev'ry promise is enough for ev'ry step I take;
Sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who reigns above;
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose ev'ry thought is love.
For ev'ry day I have on earth is given by the King.
So I will give my life, my all, to love and follow Him.
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New Member Vows

Pastoral Prayer

LONGING FOR RESTORATION

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 2:11–22

Leader: This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

A Household Built on Christ — Andy Lewis

*Song of Response

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is his new creation by water and the Word:
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

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*Benediction

*Postlude

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Assisting in Worship:

Preacher: Andy Lewis, Lead Teaching Pastor Liturgist: Mark Reed, Executive Pastor

The church office is closed Wednesday November 25 from noon to 5:00 pm and all day Thursday November 26 and Friday November 27. Have a wonderful Thanksgving!

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