

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

October 29, 2023

THE BLESSING OF GATHERING

PRELUDE *“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”* Margaret Cox
Pianist

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES Terry Nunnelly
Worship Leader

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup: you hold my lot.
The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.
I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.
I keep the Lord always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Our hearts are glad, our souls rejoice, in God we dwell secure.
Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.
For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit.
You show me the path of life.
In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore. Our hearts are glad, our souls rejoice, in God we dwell secure.

***HYMN OF PRAISE** *“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”* Hymn 5
All Verses

***INVOCATION** Terry Nunnelly
Worship Leader

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Terry Nunnelly
Worship Leader

THE GIFT OF THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Rev. John Gregory

SCRIPTURE Psalm 90 (OT pages 547 and 548) Terry Nunnelly
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 (NT pages 203) Worship Leader

SERMON "Love, Love, Love" Rev. John Gregory

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***HYMN OF INVITATION** *“Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart”* Hymn 265
All Verses

JOYS AND CONCERNS Rev. John Gregory
Prayer cards are in the pews

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. John Gregory

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE Terry Nunnelly
Giving of Tithes, Offerings Worship Leader

Offertory *“How Great Thou Art”* Margaret Cox
Pianist

***Doxology** *Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

***Offertory Prayer** Terry Nunnelly
Worship Leader

THE GIFT FROM JESUS

INVITATION TO COMMUNION Rev. John Gregory

COMMUNION PRAYER Conclude by praying together the Lord’s Prayer Carolyn Nunnelly
Elder

THE COMMUNION Our deacons will come by each pew to serve you.
Partake of the bread and hold the cup.

SHARING GOD’S LOVE WITH OTHERS

***HYMN OF DEDICATION** *“Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove”* Hymn 248
All Verses

***BENEDICTION** (Hold hands with the person near you.) Rev. John Gregory

POSTLUDE *“Now Thank We All Our God”* Margaret Cox
Pianist

*Congregation standing – as able or willing

.Please join us in the Parlor for coffee and refreshments after worship.

Life in the Valley

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| Sunday, Oct 29 | 10:30am Worship (Sanctuary) Guest Pastor John Gregory |
| Monday, Oct 30 | 6:00pm Embellishments Bell Choir Group (Yellow Room) |
| Tuesday, Oct 31 | Halloween 8:00am BQG In-Town Retreat (Fellowship) 6:30pm Zoom Bible Study Class |
| Wednesday, Nov 1 | All Saints Day 8:00am BQG In-Town Retreat (Fellowship) 6:30pm CPR Certification Group (Choir Room) Advent Devotionals due to office Carol Speed's Birthday |
| Thursday, Nov 2 | 11:30am Senior Retreat – 4-H Center (Columbiana) 6:30pm Barony Group (Blue Room) |
| Friday, Nov 3 | 11:30am Senior Retreat – 4-H Center (Columbiana) |
| Saturday, Nov 4 | 9:00am Valley Work Day 2:00pm CPR Certification Group (Choir Room) |
| Sunday, Nov 5 | All Saints Sunday Commitment Sunday Food Pantry Sunday (Cake, Cookie, Brownie Mixes) 10:30am Worship (Sanctuary) |

Today's Servers

WORSHIP LEADER: Terry Nunnelly ELDER: Carolyn Nunnelly DEACONS/GREETER: Team
1 – Captain: Beth Collier Members: Terry Nunnelly, Jean Thrasher and John Gregory OPEN:
Pastor CLOSE: Peggi Zinser COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: Judy Sellers

Valley Christian Church

(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

“People Serving God Serving People”

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