

A Celebration of Worship

November 26, 2023

THE BLESSING OF GATHERING

PRELUDE

“Give Thanks”

*Margaret Cox
Pianist*

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*Sara Simon
Worship Leader*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Jesus said, “I am the true vine.”

In the beginning God created all living, growing things.

Jesus reminded us, “God, who made you, is the vine grower.”

It is God who makes the vines to grow and fruit to blossom.

God prunes the vine’s branches so that it might bear more fruit.

We are pruned and challenged by the Word of God.

We can only bear fruit if we abide in Christ Jesus.

We are branches of Jesus, the true vine.

Those who abide in Jesus will bear much fruit.

Let us bear fruits of hope, peace, joy and love. Let us come now and raise the true vine – The Lord Jesus Christ.

*Sara Simon
Worship Leader*

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

“Praise Him! Praise Him!”

*Hymn 93
All Verses*

***INVOCATION**

*Sara Simon
Worship Leader*

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Sara Simon
Worship Leader*

THE GIFT OF THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Rev. Edd Spencer

SCRIPTURE

John 15:5-17 (NT pages 109 and 110)

*Sara Simon
Worship Leader*

SERMON

"The Vine and the Branches"

Rev. Edd Spencer

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***HYMN OF INVITATION**

“Wonderful Words of Life”

*Hymn 323
All Verses*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayer cards are in the pews

Rev. Edd Spencer

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Edd Spencer

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

*Sara Simon
Worship Leader*

Offertory

“Count Your Blessings Medley”

*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**

*Sara Simon
Worship Leader*

THE GIFT FROM JESUS

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Rev. Edd Spencer

COMMUNION PRAYER

Conclude by praying together the Lord’s Prayer

*Ed Guindon
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**

“Blessed Assurance”

*Hymn 543
All Verses*

***BENEDICTION**

(Hold hands with the person near you.)

Rev. Edd Spencer

POSTLUDE

“To God Be the Glory” (chorus)

*Margaret Cox
Pianist*

***Congregation standing – as able or willing**

Please join us in the Parlor for Coffee Fellowship after worship.

Life in the Valley

Sunday, Nov 26	10:30am Worship (Sanctuary) 12:00pm Decorating the Sanctuary for Advent
Monday, Nov 27	6:00pm Embellishments Bell Choir Group (Yellow Room)
Tuesday, Nov 28	6:30pm Bible Study Class on Zoom.
Wednesday, Nov 29	8:30am BQG Mini Workshop (Fellowship) 6:30pm CPR Certification Group (Choir Room)
Saturday, Dec 2	10:00am DW Christmas Coffee (Parlor) 10:00am CPR Certification Group (Choir Room)
Sunday, Dec 3	1 st Sunday of Advent Food Pantry Sunday – Any Canned Vegetable 10:30am Worship (Sanctuary) 11:30am Congregational Meeting

Today's Servers

WORSHIP LEADER: Sara Simon ELDER: Ed Guindon DEACONS/GREETER: Team 2 –
Captain: Peggi Zinser Members: Carol Speed, Clarence Sellers and Ted Stuckenschneider
OPEN: Pastor CLOSE: Terry Nunnelly COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: Sarah Draper



John 15:5 I am the vine and you are the branches. The one who remains in Me, and I in him, will bear much fruit. For apart from Me you can do nothing.