

Sunday  
**November 19, 2017**  
10:30 a.m.

## Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Brad Addis

We are alive in Christ.  
We love God,  
we care for one another,  
and we help people here  
and around the world.



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Plain print indicates worship leader.  
**Bold print indicates congregation.**  
*\*Indicates please stand as able.*

### Gather to Worship

#### Welcome

#### Ministry Opportunities

#### **\*Call to Worship**

In search of light in times of darkness and consolation in times of struggle, as we celebrate in times of joy and rejoice in God's presence, let us worship the Wonderful Counsellor, the Prince of Wholeness, the Bringer of Peace.

**Let us worship the One, True God — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!**

#### **\*Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

Lord God, You invite us out of darkness into the light of Your love. We confess today that sometimes we prefer the darkness. We prefer what we know, we resist the less familiar but still You call us and promise us something different.

**God forgive our lack of faith that keeps us from wholeheartedly following You, our lack of vision that keeps us from imagining what You lay before us, our lack of hope that keeps us from expecting greatness.**

Forgive us, Lord, and open us up to possibility, open us up to trusting and to daring to believe that still, You have the power, still, in the face of all that speaks otherwise, You have the power to make all things new.

**And God, as You awaken that trust in us, awaken too a boldness to join You in that kingdom work. Amen!**

**\*Hymn: #2023** How Majestic Is Your Name

**Scripture Lesson:** Isaiah 9:1-17

**Children's Time:** *Hank Stamm*

**Choir Anthem:** Let the Christ Child In

**Sermon:** "Go! Walk!" ~ *Brad Addis*

**\*Hymn: #569** We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

**Praying for Others and for Ourselves**

## Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

Offertory: Silent Night, Holy Night ~ *Handbells and Choir*

**Doxology: #94** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

## Dedication

**Lord God, what we bring You can use, what we share You will multiply. So help us to bring our whole selves to You and, in our giving, may we be blessed in order to be a blessing to others. Amen!**

**\*Hymn: #593** Here I Am, Lord

**\*Blessing**

**\*Depart to Serve**

*Coming up next Sunday, November 26: Fall Sermon Series — “Go! Settle!” Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14.  
This is the last Sunday of the church liturgical year; Advent begins on December 3.*

## Prayer for Family and Friends

*Mike and Jody Tuinier's daughter, Elizabeth, and son-in-law, Erik, are expecting a baby boy in May.*

*Kat Gensler-Nic (Laurie and David's daughter-in-law) had an MRI taken of her head, neck and spine on Wednesday.*

*Linda Schuring (David and Carol Eaton's friend) is battling cancer.*

*The Spruill family (Joe and Susan Hayes' friends) at the death of Hank Spruill this past Thursday  
Arden and Penny Sult and family at the passing of Arden's mom, Bethel Sult*

Barb Addis needs healing and pain relief.

Jack and Cynda Buckallew and family at the passing of Jack's twin brother, Joe

Eloise Emmert is recovering from insufficiency fractures and needs healing and pain relief.

Bruce and RaeAnn Graves and family at the passing of Bruce's mother, Jackie Graves

Kellie Hiemstra (Joe and Betty Gruber's granddaughter) is recovering from surgery.

Bonnie Holmes had back surgery.

Holli Inman has an appointment scheduled at Mayo Clinic in January to review her health issues.

John Matyasik (Steve and Kathy Phillips' friend) needs healing from cancer.

Darlene Melching (Mary Ann Kudary's daughter-in-law's mother) was just diagnosed with lung and brain cancer.

David Oswald's little boy (Gordon and Bonnie's grandson) was evaluated recently.

Gordon Oswald is recovering from a run-in with a bull.

Diane Reece (Vera Walker's sister) is having more difficulty with congestive heart problems.

Larry and LaVon Rolfe

Julie and June Taylor and family at the passing of their brother, Robert

Lauren Valette is serving her country on board U.S.S. Carl Vinson.

Chuck and Vera Walker and family at the passing of their niece, Marilyn Butcher

Please pray that the Lord will send five more mentors to the Kids Hope program.

## In Service to Our Country

Matt Kohler  
Jeff Kudary  
Ryan Miller  
Walker Polsinelli

Tyler Smith  
Richie Steinacker  
Geoff White

Today's acolytes are  
Henry Stamm and Benjamin Culver.

Today's altar flowers are provided by Vern Reed.

November 12 attendance: 132



## The General Rule of Discipleship

To witness to Jesus Christ in the world, and to follow his teachings through acts of compassion, justice, worship and devotion under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

### Coming deadlines

- Newsletter submissions are due Monday, Nov. 27
- ScripCents orders are due by 2:00 Friday, Dec. 1

### Carolers are needed

We are looking for carolers to carol downtown Vicksburg during Christmas in the Village on Dec. 2. The caroling time for Vicksburg United Methodist Church is from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. All interested parties should contact Mary Ruple at [mruple@gmail.com](mailto:mruple@gmail.com) or 616-283-6090.

### Community Thanksgiving Service

Everyone is invited to attend the Community Thanksgiving Service at 6:00 this evening at Lakeland Reformed Church, 10442 Sprinkle Rd., Vicksburg.

**Sew What Now God is taking a break. They will meet again on January 9.**

### This Week's Celebrations

<b><u>Birthdays</u></b>	11/25 Marilyn Schutter
11/20 Mary Stenstrom	<b><u>Anniversaries</u></b>
11/22 Del Forsythe	11/19 Steve & Holly
Fred Nelson	Fryling
Caryn Zonyk	

### For Cheer and Hello

Liz Anderson	Beverly Nimmo
Mary Evelyn Bell	Robert & Carmen
David Bretz	Parsons
Alice Dibble	Char Rice
Barb Griner	Marv & Kitty Starbuck
Pat McClelland	Al Thomas
Iris McGahan	Mina Willett

### Calendar

#### Today

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. PIT Crew in the Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
- after Worship Senior Adult Lunch with Pastor Greg*
- 6:00 p.m. *Community Thanksgiving Service at Lakeland Reformed Church*

#### Monday, November 20

- 6:30 p.m. Family volleyball in the FLC
- 6:30 p.m. Scout Troop meeting, Taylor Rm
- 7:00 p.m. *Finance Committee meeting, Library*

#### Tuesday, November 21

- 6:30 p.m. *Scout den meeting, FLC*
- 6:30 p.m. *Personnel Committee meeting, Library*

#### Wednesday, November 22

- Preschool will be closed*
- 6:30 p.m. Pickleball in the FLC

#### Thursday, November 23 - Thanksgiving Day

*Preschool and offices will be closed*

#### Friday, November 24 - Pastor's Day Off

*Preschool and offices will be closed*

#### Saturday, November 25

*no activities are scheduled*

#### Monday and Tuesday

- 9:00 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. Heart & Hands Preschool

### Coming Events

#### Sunday, November 26

*after Worship Hanging of the Greens*

#### Monday, November 27

- 6:30 p.m. *Church Council meeting, Taylor Room*

#### Tuesday, November 28

- 6:30 p.m. *Scout Den meeting in the FLC*

#### Thursday, November 30

- 6:30 p.m. *Boy Scouts meeting in Room 125*

#### Friday, December 1

- 6:00 p.m. *Wedding rehearsal in the Sanctuary*

#### Saturday, December 2

- 10:00 a.m. *Christmas Bazaar in the FLC till 2:00*
- 3:00 p.m. *Stacy Cron/Corey Gose wedding*



### Mission Moment—Plus 10 Families

- Nov. 19: Marshall Linebaugh
- Nov. 26: Joe and Betty Gruber

## Boy Scouts are selling poinsettias

red, white, pink, or burgundy  
6.5" for \$10, 8" for \$16, 10" for \$20



contact Tamara Young  
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269-720-4173

orders are due  
November 27



Adult  
**VOLUNTEERS**  
*needed*

for HELIX Youth  
Wednesdays 5:00-6:45

Contact Hank

## The Bazaar and Vendor Show Is COMING!!!!

**Saturday, December 2**  
**10:00-2:00**

**Sunday, December 3**  
**after church**

Set up is from 3:00-5:00 on Friday, December 1  
OR  
from 8:30-9:45 Saturday, December 2

Not only will there be wonderful crafts from the folks  
in the church, but there will also be a number of  
home based business vendors.

PLEASE plan to come do  
some Christmas shopping,

and support the  
crafters and  
vendors involved.

