



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

IDLEWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 19, 2023 | 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

Bold text is read

by the congregation.

***Asterisk indicates when to
rise in body or in spirit.**

**Please sign the friendship
pad** so we may take note of
your presence and you may
greet your neighbors by
name.



Hymn No. 367 Despite its
familiar Thanksgiving
associations, the real
concern of this text is to
recall the harvest imagery
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fulfillment of God's
sovereignty. The tune name
commemorates the royal
chapel where the composer
was organist for forty-seven
years.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE (8:30)

PRELUDE IN C MAJOR

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH

JONNY SUNDERMEIER, PIANIST

(11:00)

NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

ARR. MICHAEL BURKHARDT

LANDRY DUVALL, ORGANIST

WELCOME

THE REVEREND COURTNEY VEAZEY

INTROIT (11:00)

LET ALL THE WORLD IN EVERY CORNER SING

ERIK ROUTLEY

CHANCEL CHOIR

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!
The heavens are not too high, God's praise may thither fly;
The earth is not too low, God's praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

REV. VEAZEY

God's vision of peace is
a realm where all live together in harmony:

**where justice and righteousness flourish,
where hope transforms our reality.**

God calls us to be this beloved community;

**let us gather together to worship our God
who sings us into being.**

***HYMN OF CELEBRATION NO. 367**

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

COME, YE THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME

367 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come



1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har-vest home.
 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit in thank-ful praise to yield,
 3 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the har-vest home;
 4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har-vest home.



All is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the win - ter storms be - gin.
 wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.
 from each field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;
 Gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.
 First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.
 give the an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
 there for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy pres - ence to a - bide:



Come to God's own tem - ple, come; raise the song of har-vest home.
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole-some grain and pure may be.
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in God's gar - ner ev - er - more.
 come, with all thine an - gels, come; raise the glo - rious har - vest home!



Despite its familiar Thanksgiving associations, the real concern of this text is to recall the harvest imagery Jesus used to describe the fulfillment of God's sovereignty. The tune name commemorates the royal chapel where the composer was organist for forty-seven years.



*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE REVEREND MARY NEWBERG GALE

Loving God, you have planted us
like a vineyard on a fertile hill.

You cleared away the stones,
planted us with choice vines,
and kept watch over us by night and day.

But we have not yielded the good fruit
that you expected or desired.

We are overgrown with sin,
choked with violence and injustice.

Forgive us, we pray.

Uproot our evil, prune away our sin,
and shower upon us the gift of your grace.

(Silent Confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 654

IN THE LORD I'LL BE EVER THANKFUL



The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in 3/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The score consists of three systems of two staves each. The first system covers the first line of lyrics, the second system covers the second line, and the third system covers the third line. There are triplets indicated by a '3' over the notes in the second and third systems.

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful; in the Lord I will re -
joice! Look to God; do not be a - fraid. Lift up your
voic - es; the Lord is near. Lift up your voic - es; the Lord is near.

Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient responses in worship. We invite you to share a sign of peace with your neighbor.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE (8:30) (11:00)

REV. GALE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!



For the Hymn of Gathering, the choir will sing the verses and the rest of the congregation can join in on the refrain.

As children come forward during the gathering hymn, you are invited to pass your quarters to the center aisle for the children to collect for their offering. Quarters are sent to the Dougbe Presbyterian River School in Liberia.

At this time, three-year-olds to kindergarteners are welcome to proceed to the hallway with an adult and sign into Worship and Wonder.



The sermon is a reflection on the day's scriptures, suggesting implications for our faith and life.

HYMN OF GATHERING NO. 657 (11:00)

GLENDON

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (D)
Refrain F Dm Gm7 C F

Sing to God, with joy and glad - ness, hymns and

(Bm) (Em7) (D) (Bm) (Em7)
Dm Gm7 F Dm Gm7

psalms of grat - i - tude; with the voice of praise

(A) (D) (Bm) (Em7) (D)
C F Dm Gm7 F Fine

dis - cov - er that to wor - ship God is good.

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH (11:00)

JEANENE MUTCHLER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

REV. VEAZEY

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

ISAIAH 5:1-7; 11:1-5

SERMON

A WILD FIELD

SILENT REFLECTION

The Affirmation of Faith this morning is from "A Brief Statement of Faith."

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (8:30)
(11:00)

REV. GALE
JEANENE MUTCHLER

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY (11:00)

MUSIC MINISTRY

LANDRY DUVALL

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE (11:00)

REV. GALE



During this time, we invite you to continue your support of the church and her mission. Online giving is available through Realm or through the mail. Those in the sanctuary may place their offering in the plate as it is passed.



This Generosity season, we witness to the ways we are Growing in Gratitude. Our gratitude is born of the grace and love we know in Christ Jesus, and we make our commitments in response to the generosity of our Lord.



Hymn No. 36 Originally called "Harvest Hymn," this text is much more comprehensive than that title implies. It also deals with stewardship, thanksgiving, and God's endless gifts that continue to astound us. It is set to a familiar Welsh tune whose name means "throughout the night."

OFFERING OUR GIFTS & TITHES

REV. VEAZEY

OFFERTORY (8:30)

AMAZING GRACE

TRADITIONAL

JONNY SUNDERMEIER, PIANIST

(11:00)

FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH
CHANCEL CHOIR

ARR. ERIC NELSON

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies.
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour, of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, Sun and moon, and stars of light.
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild.
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring.

Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart, the heart to sing.

For thyself, best gift divine, to the world so freely given;
For that great, great love of Thine, peace on Earth, and joy in Heaven:
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

*RESPONSE NO. 717 FOR THE LIFE THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN

PLEADING SAVIOR

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,
With these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:
Here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring;
Give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

REV. VEAZEY

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION (8:30)

REV. VEAZEY AND REV. GALE

*HYMN OF SENDING NO. 36

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FOR THE FRUIT OF ALL CREATION

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

REV. VEAZEY

POSTLUDE (8:30)

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD
JONNY SUNDERMEIER, PIANIST

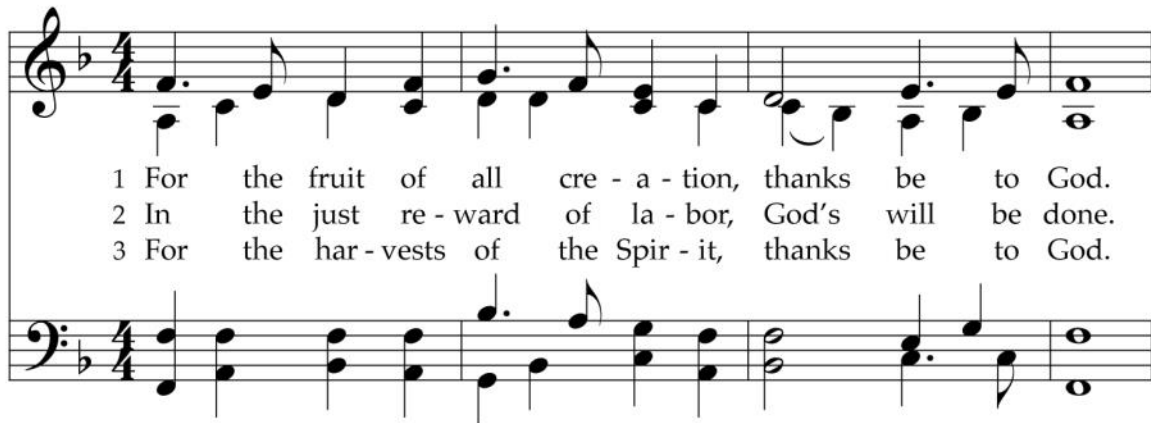
TRADITIONAL

(11:00)

POSTLUDE ON ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR
(COME, YE THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME)
LANDRY DUVALL, ORGANIST

ARR. JASON PAYNE

For the Fruit of All Creation 36



1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will be done.
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For the gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will be done.
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de -
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con -



sleep - ing, fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
 spair - ing, in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will be done.
 found us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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♦ *this week in print* ♦

Church-wide

Sunday morning drivers: Some of our members who live in assisted living homes need a ride to and from church on Sunday mornings. If you are able to join our team of drivers, please contact Jacob Pierce at jpierce@idlewildchurch.org.

Food and Fellowship: Advent Gathering (Tuesday, Nov. 28, 6:00-7:30): Come and greet the season with a shared meal and opportunities to make Advent wreaths, prayer beads and more. There will also be space for contemplation and prayer as we prepare for the Advent season.

Outreach

More Than A Meal will serve breakfast on Thanksgiving Day from 9:00-10:30. Come and volunteer with us on this special morning!

Adult & Young Adult Ministry

Sunday Formation Offerings (9:40 in the Jones Bldg.): Several classes for adults are available, serving various ages and interest groups. More info on the website and in Realm.

Youth Ministry

Youth group Friendsgiving tonight (6:00-7:30): Bring a side or dessert to share. We'll use the pottery studio to make ornaments for our Youth House Christmas tree and a few to give to our family and friends.

Childrens Ministry

Christmas Eve opportunities for children:

Idlewild children are invited to participate in a child-led service on Christmas Eve at 3:00. Nonspeaking parts are available for PK-5th grade; 3rd-5th graders can sign up for speaking roles. Sign up your young person for this sweet and sacred tradition through the QR code below.

Our director of music ministry, Landry Duvall, will begin practicing the hymns for the Christmas Eve service with our kids each Sunday in Large Group Sunday School from 9:40-10:00, beginning November 19. Be sure to arrive on time and come join in the fun!



Registration links, sign ups, and zoom links are located on our church calendar. Find the calendar by scanning the QR code or visiting www.idlewildchurch.org/calendar.

WELCOME NOTICES

Welcome to Idlewild! We are glad to have you join us for worship. If you are new to Idlewild, it is our prayer that you will experience the presence of God while you are here. At Idlewild, it is our hope that all who enter find a home.

Children are always welcome in worship. In addition, childcare for children newborns—3 years is available in the Jones Building in Room 153. Children of all ages are invited to pick up a worship packet in the main hallway that can be utilized to enhance their worship experience. During the 11:00 service there is a special Time with the Younger Church, after which children ages 3 years— kindergarten may go to **Worship and Wonder** on the third floor of the Jones building. Children will be led to the room through the exit on the right side of the sanctuary near the handbells up front. The exit will take us directly to an exterior entrance to the Jones building. The sign in sheet will be on a table at the base of the Jones Building stairwell. Parents may return to the sanctuary by the same path or by taking the main stairwell. Parents pick up children from Worship and Wonder following the conclusion of worship.

New members are received by the Session. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join the Idlewild family. Please call (901)726-4681 during the week.

Prayer requests are prayed daily by the Community Prayer Ministry Team and the Confidential Prayer Partners. If your prayers are confidential, you may call (901-487-6062) or submit them by email to confidentialprayers@idlewildchurch.org. Otherwise, you can fill out a Community Prayer Request card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or fill out the Community Prayer Request form on the church website.

If you have a personal emergency, hospitalization, or pastoral care need, please call or text (901) 654-6872. The Pastor on Call will respond as soon as possible. You can also email pastor@idlewildchurch.org. The Pastor on Call for the week of November 19 is Mary Newberg Gale.

WORSHIP NOTICES

The sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God by Kayana Marks and Joshua Narcisse who were married here last evening.

Sanctuary flowers are given in honor, celebration, or in appreciation of those we love. We appreciate your generosity in providing flowers to adorn our sanctuary for Sunday services. If you are interested in donating, find the registration page at idlewildchurch.org/flower-dedication.

The 11:00 service is live at livestream.com/idlewild (Livestream apps are available for Roku and mobile devices). As always, worship is available by way of the radio on AM560, 96.1FM, or 98.5FM **Music is printed** under Onelicense.net **A-702280**.

A Vision of Idlewild

Idlewild Presbyterian Church is a community in which ...

Jesus Christ is the center;
the mighty voice of God inspires us to love;
the Spirit joyfully sustains and nurtures seekers of every age,
stage, and circumstance.

Worship forms the core of community life;
prayer binds our brokenness and connects us in Christ's love
to God and to one another;
music, poetry, and art flourish in gratitude to our Creator;
the beauty of creation is treasured and preserved;
all the members of the church are ministers.

The focus is scripture and its meaning for today;
faith is formed and spirits nourished through reflection,
practice and shared learning;
the wisdom of other faith traditions is respected;
and a diverse membership enriches and unites us.

Justice speaks loudly and peace is our aspiration;
all voices are heard;
recreation and play are a wellspring for fellowship,
celebration, and growth;
the love of God guides our minds and spirits,
leading us to right action in our hearts, our homes,
our community, our nation, and our world,

And all who enter find a home.



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