

Service for the Lord's Day

Idlewild Presbyterian Church
Reign of Christ Sunday
November 22, 2026 | 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Bold text is read by the congregation.

Asterisk indicates when to rise in body or in spirit.

Gather in God's Name

Prelude *In Heavenly Love Abiding (Op. 24, No. 2)* Felix Mendelssohn

***Call to Worship** (8:30) The Reverend David Powers
(11:00) Sage Scott-Jamison

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Our hope is in Jesus Christ, who reigns in love and mercy.

The kingdoms of this world rise and fall,
but God's kingdom endures forever.

**God's faithfulness is everlasting,
and God's grace is sufficient for all.**

With grateful hearts, let us praise our sovereign God.
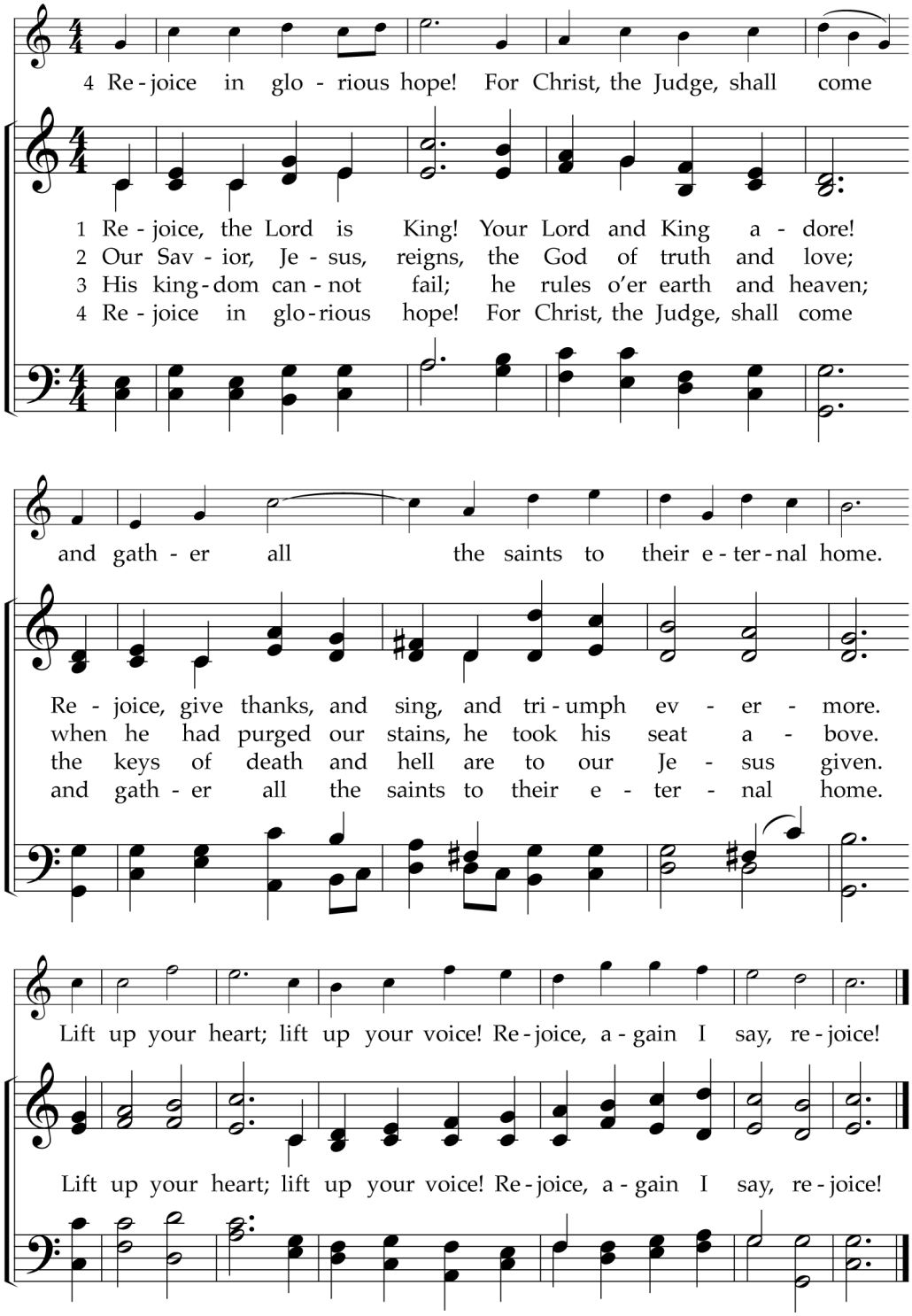
With joy and thanksgiving, let us worship!

***Hymn of Celebration No. 363** DARWALL'S 148TH
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TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1746, alt.
MUSIC: John Darwall, 1770; desc. Sydney Hugo Nicholson, 20th cent.
Music Desc. © 1985 Hymns Ancient & Modern (admin. Hope Publishing Company)

DARWALL'S 148TH
6.6.6.6.8.8

*Prayer of Confession — Rev. Powers

Sovereign God, we confess that we are often more comfortable
following our own ways than trusting in yours.

**We seek certainty when you call us to faith,
and comfort when you call us to serve.**

We are quick to recognize the world's problems,
but slow to imagine how you might work through us.

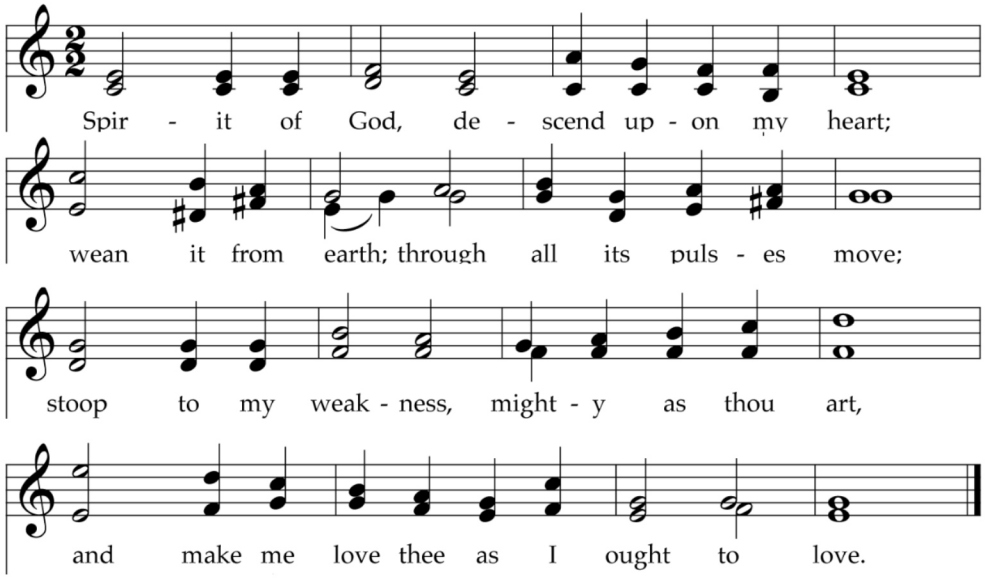
**We underestimate your power, question your purposes,
and overlook the needs of our neighbors.**

Forgive us for the limits we place upon your grace
and the ways we resist your reign.

**Renew our faith, enlarge our vision,
and lead us in the ways of Jesus Christ, our Savior and King.**

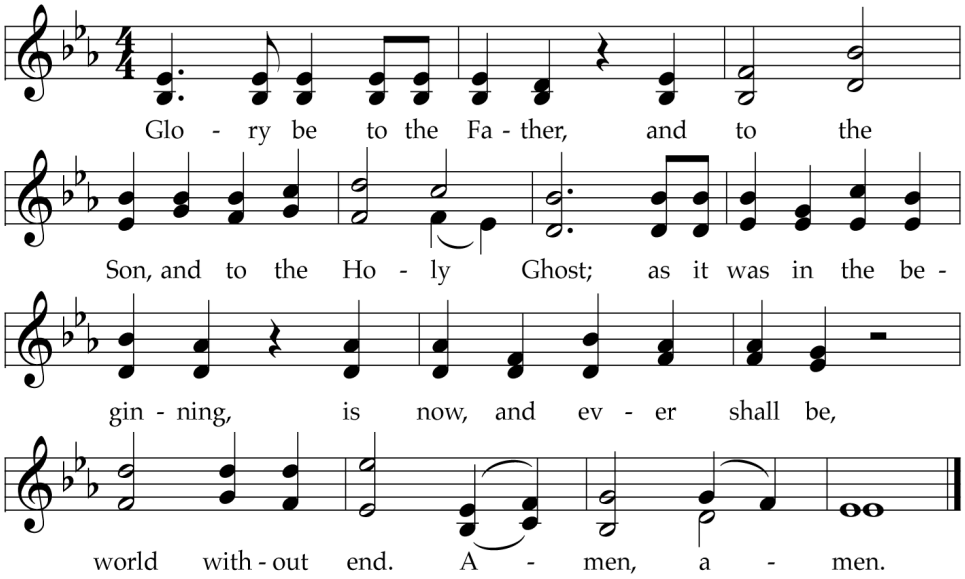
(Silent Confession)

*Response No. 688 — *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* — MORECAMBE



*Assurance of Pardon — Rev. Powers

*Response No. 581 *Glory Be to the Father* Gloria Patri



*Passing of the Peace (8:30) Violet James
(11:00) Emory Driskill
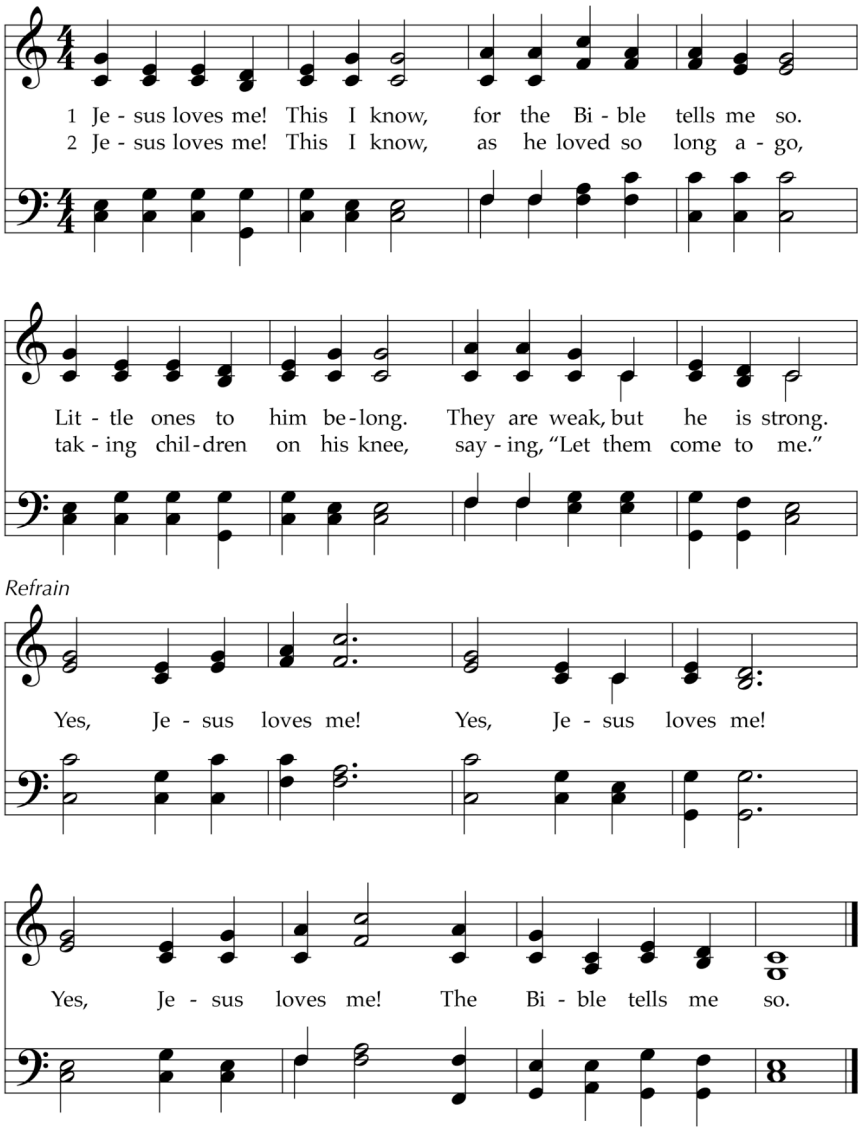
Passing of the Peace *is one of the most ancient responses in worship. We invite you to share a sign of peace with your neighbor.*

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

As children come forward during the time of 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.*

Hymn of Gathering (11:00) *Jesus Loves Me!* JESUS LOVES ME



Following this time, *three-year-olds and four-year-olds (PK & JK) are welcome to proceed to Worship and Wonder with an adult.*

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

Found on page 69 of the New Testament in your pew Bible.

Time with the Younger Church (11:00) Rev. Powers

The Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Life and Ministries of the Church Rev. Powers

Proclaim God's Word

Prayer for Illumination The Reverend Matthew Ruffner

New Testament Lesson Luke 9:10-17

Sermon Leftovers Rev. Ruffner

Silent Reflection

Respond to God's Word



Today's Affirmation of Faith *comes from Phillippians 2:5-11.*

***Affirmation of Faith** (8:30) — Rev. Powers
(11:00) — Sage Scott-Jamison

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess to the glory of God:
Jesus Christ is Lord!

Moment for Ministry — Compassion Fund — Jonathan Jones

Prayers of God's People (11:00) — Rev. Powers

Offering our Gifts & Tithes (8:30) — Rev. Powers
(11:00) — Sage Scott-Jamison



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.

Offertory (8:30) — *Bless This House* — May H. Brahe
Kylie Kee, soprano

(11:00) — *Now Thank We All Our God* — NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT
arr. Michael Rosewall

The Chancel Choir

Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices: who from our mother's arms has blessed us on our way with countless gift of love, and still is ours today.

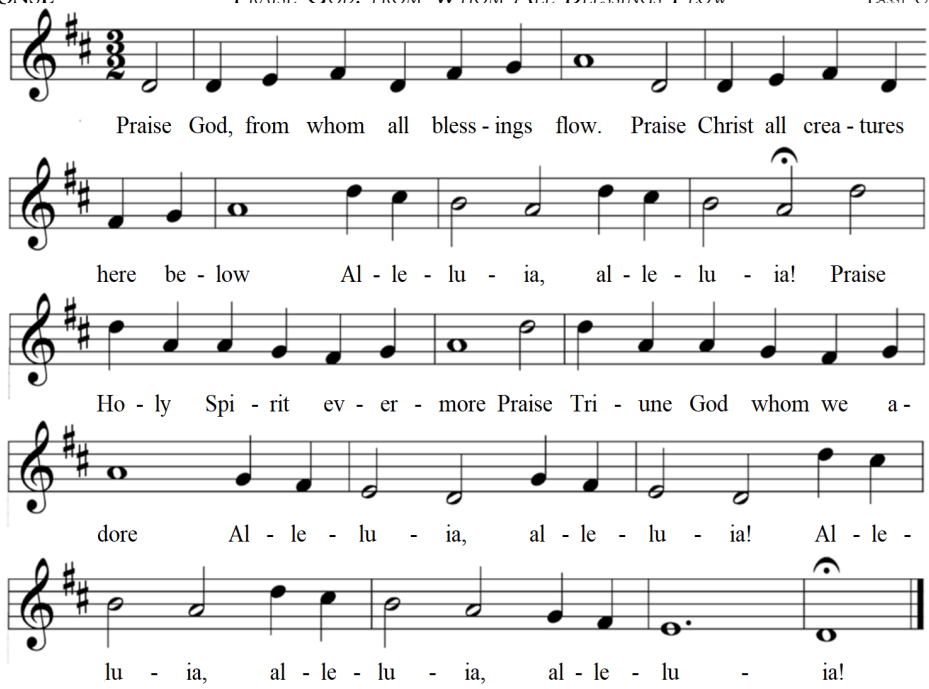
Oh, may this bounteous God through all our lives be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; and keep us all in grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all harm in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, the Son and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven, the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore; for thus it was is now, and shall be evermore.



This morning's offertory anthem *is a rousing setting of the Thanksgiving hymn "Now Thank We All Our God", set in multiple mixed meters. Stanza 1 speaks of one's thankfulness, while stanza 2 mentions the bountenous of God. The final stanza is the Doxology, praising the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*

*Response — *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* — Lasst Uns Erfreuen







Hymn No. 263: *This 18th-century text celebrating the sovereignty of Christ has been through several expansions and contractions before reaching its present form. It is set here to the oldest American hymn tune in continuous use since first published in 1793, which was written for it.*

*Prayer of Dedication (8:30) — Rev. Powers
(11:00) — Sage Scott-Jamison

The Sacrament of Communion (8:30) — Rev. Powers, Rev. Ruffner

Send in God's Spirit
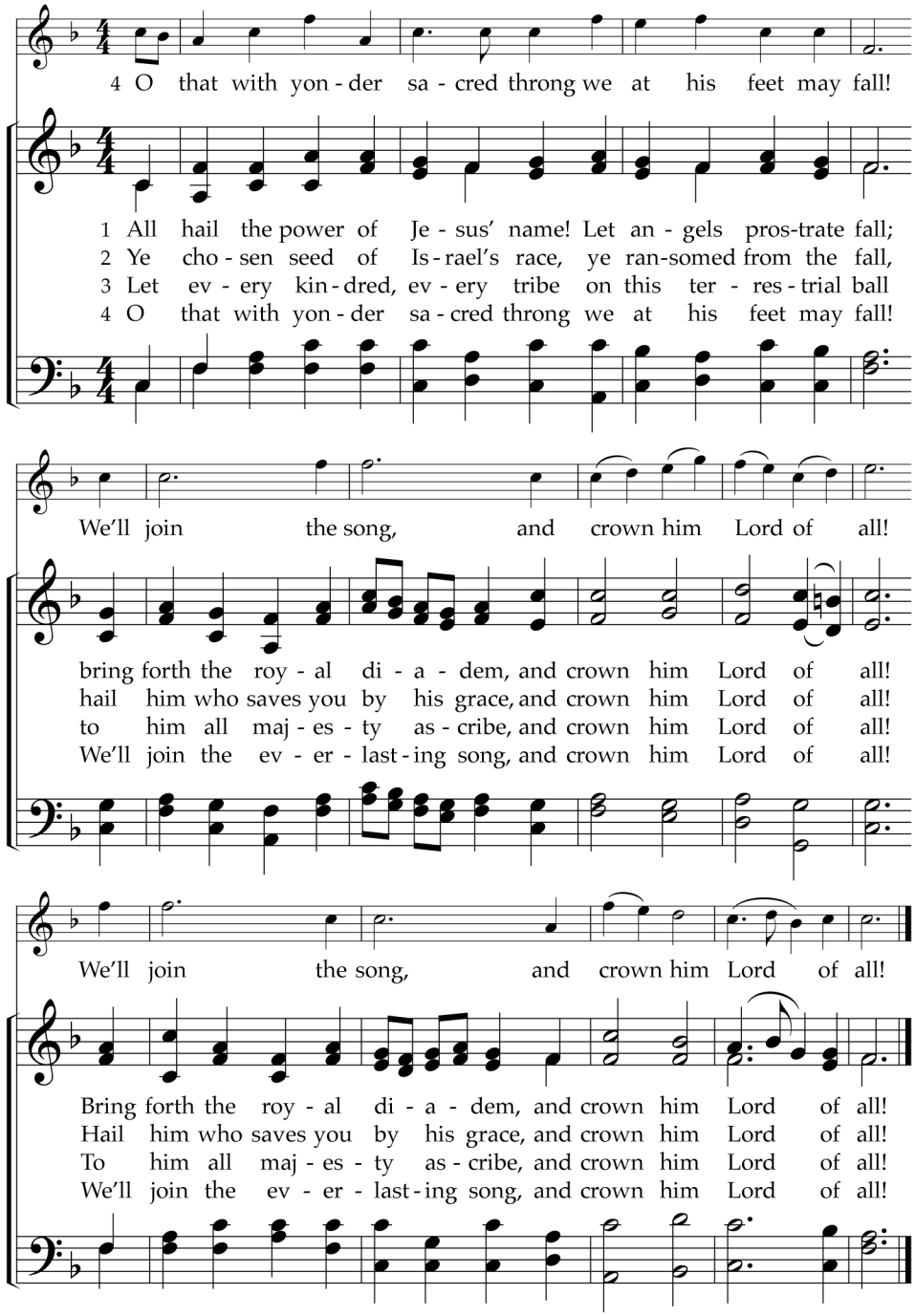
*Hymn of Sending No. 263 — Coronation
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

*Charge and Benediction — Rev. Ruffner

Postlude — *Marche Triomphale (Now Thank We All Our God)* — Sigfried Karg-Elert

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TEXT: Stanzas 1–3, Edward Perronet, 1779, 1780; stanzas 2–3, alt. John Rippon, 1787; stanza 4, John Rippon, 1787 CORONATION
MUSIC: Oliver Holden, 1793; desc. Michael E. Young, 1979 8.6.8.6.8.6
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this week in print

Church-Wide

Waiting in Wonder - Intergenerational Advent Gathering (Wednesday, December 2, 5:15pm, Montgomery Hall, TK Young, Sanctuary, and the Garth): The evening will bring together fellowship, creativity, service, and reflection as we prepare forChristmas for the entire Idlewild congregation.

Poinsettia Orders are made in honor or in memory of a loved one. This could be a family member, a friend, or one who dedicates themselves to the life and ministries of the church. This dedication will help us adorn our sanctuary as we head into the Christmas season. You can give online at the QR code or pick up a paper form in the hallway. The price this year is $22, and orders are due end of day Wednesday, December 9.

Make Your Commitment Today! During generosity season**,** we look to the year ahead and dream together about what God will author. We need everyone who calls Idlewild home, who values her mission and presence in the community, to dedicate themselves to generously supporting the ministries of the church. Make your 2027 commitment by filling out a Growing in Gratitude card, found in your pew, or in Realm. We will show our gratitude to all who have made commitments on Sunday, December 6.

Sacred Ground Info Session (Sunday, November 22, Following 11am Worship Service, Rm 304): We are beginning to form the Spring 2027 Class of Sacred Ground, our fifth Idlewild installment of this dialogue series on race that is grounded in faith. We encourage anyone who is interested in learning more about this class to join Forrest Sable and Paul Shifflet for an information session.

Youth Ministry

Confirmation 2027: Interested in Confirmation? Idlewild's 2027 confirmation process is open to youth in 8th or 9th grade, as well as older youth who may have missed out. Confirmation is a meaningful opportunity to explore faith, ask questions, learn about the church, and consider what it means to claim faith in Jesus Christ for themselves. If your youth is interested, please contact sage@idlewildchurch.org to register or learn more.

Children's Ministry

Family Movie Night (Sunday, November 22, 4pm, Rm 323): Children of all ages and their families are invited to join us today for a cozy afternoon of fun as we gather to enjoy Disney's Frozen together! We'll have festive snacks and sweet treats, along with an activity or two to add a little extra magic to the afternoon. Come dressed in your favorite jammies, bring a snuggly blanket, and settle in for a wonderful time with friends and family. We can't wait to share a little winter magic with you!

Introducing *Worship and Whimsy!* (Beginning Sunday, November 29, 11am, Rm 324): Children in Kindergarten through 1st grade are invited to *Worship and Whimsy*, a new experience during the 11:00am worship service! Through Bible stories, wondering questions, and hands-on activities, we will explore the Advent themes of Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love. This new opportunity will take place alongside Worship & Wonder, and will give our children another opportunity to worship, wonder, and grow in faith together!

Refugee Empowerment Program Toy Drive (Sunday, November 29-Sunday, December 13): Share the joy of Christmas with a child this season! Idlewild's Children's Ministry is once again collecting toys to benefit the Refugee Empowerment Program (REP). Beginning Sunday, November 29, we invite you to bring a new, unwrapped, toy to help make Christmas a little brighter for children and families in our community. Toys may be dropped off in the **designated collection area in the lobby of the Jones Building through Sunday, December 13**. Together, we can share God's love through the simple gifts of generosity and joy.

Adult Ministry

Men's Breakfast will **not** meet at the church Tuesday, November 24. For meeting info call Charles Key, 901-481-3321.

Sign-ups and other relevant links can be found at 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 sanctuary service there is a special *Time with the Younger Church.* After, children ages 3 years— kindergarten may go to *Worship and Wonder* on the third floor of the Jones building. **If you would like your child to attend *Worship and Wonder*, registration is required** once each semester by scanning the QR code. 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. Connect with a Pastor after worship.

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 submit them by email to communityprayer@idlewildchurch.org.

If you have a 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.

WORSHIP NOTICES

The sanctuary flowers are given today to the glory of God and with much gratitude for the members of the congregation who volunteer to serve Idlewild by ushering at the 11:00 am worship service, from Barbara Jennings & Dennis Mathews.

Ushers are needed at the 11am worship service. Each Sunday, 10 people are needed to help with ushering at 11am (that is 520 slots needed to be filled every year).

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. Make a donation at idlewildchurch.org/flower-dedication.

The 11:00 service is live at youtube.com/@idlewild.church/streams. 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.**

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