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Welcome and Announcements Elder Allen Pease

Prelude

Adagio from K. 282–W.A. Mozart

Call to Worship

Elder Jan Berend Heitink, Liturgist

Liturgist: As we gather for worship,

People: let us offer praise to God.

Liturgist: As we join voices and hearts,

People: we learn the importance of each one of us.

Liturgist: As we find unity in the wider body of Christ,

People: we learn that our whole is more than its parts. Let us worship God.

***Opening Hymn** *Morning Has Broke* #469

Call to Confession (Liturgist)

It is only by the power of God that we are able to stand against evil.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin:

Prayer of Confession (in unison with Liturgist)

O Christ, you praised the gift of the widow, who had so little and gave it all.

Forgive us, O Christ, for turning our eyes away from people who are trapped in poverty.

Forgive us, O Christ, for turning our resources into reasons for pride or greed.

Forgive us, O Christ, and by your forgiveness, teach us to follow in your way of generosity.

Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness (Liturgist)

Liturgist: Now stand firm in your faith, covered by the saving grace of God and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God.

***Gloria Patri** #579



Passing of the Peace

Liturgist: God sends this message of joy to all people, preaching peace by Jesus Christ, the Lord of all. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also, with you.

Liturgist: Let us share Christ's peace with one another

Music for Meditation

I Heard a Voice from Heaven–T. Thomkins

UPC Quartet

Prayer for Illumination (Liturgist)

Gracious God, illumine these words by your Spirit, that we might hear what you would have us hear and be who you would have us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.



The First Lesson *Galatians 2:20; Romans 1:17* (NIV) – Liturgist

The Second Lesson *Proverbs 23:26; James 1:22* (NIV) – Speaker

Speaker: The word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God**

Sermon *Don't Say I Didn't Tell You* Jim Haverstock

***Sermon Hymn:** *Seek Ye First* #333

Affirmation of Faith—The Apostle's Creed (traditional) led by Jim Haverstock

I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer – Deacon Michelle Heitink

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.

Call for the Offering – Deacon Michelle Heitink

Offertory

**Doxology* #592

Prayer of Dedication – Deacon Michelle Heitink

***Closing Hymn:** *Though I May Speak* #335

Charge and Benediction Deacon Michelle Heitink

Postlude *Lead On, O King Eternal* Benjamin Watkins, piano

*Please stand if you are able

UPC Prayer List - Email requests to: upcbloomington@gmail.com.

The family of Darian McBride as they mourn the loss of his father Michael McBride.

Kevin Jones Roby Lorimer Virginia McCartney Kathleen Olds Anita Steverson Vicki Mays

His Eyes Mission in Honduras led by Valerie & Felipe Colby

Nyaka Global in Uganda led by Jackson Kaguri

The food pantries of Monroe County as they struggle with increased demand

Our students at all levels as final exams approach

The first responders of our community

The people of Georgia, Nigeria, Middle East and Ukraine

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Washington. In 1814, our congregation as Presbyterians was founded leading to what is now Westminster. "The Stone Church with a Warm Heart" has been our guiding motto for the last 114 years since our current beautiful church was built in 1911 at 110 NE Second Street in Washington Indiana. Praise God for our history and for our promising future sharing Christ's message of hope, forgiveness, comfort and stewardship for our church, country, and world communities. Thank you for your prayers.



Food & Fellowship at UPC immediately after Sunday morning worship has been a tradition for decades and decades. And we continue that tradition in 2025. If you'd like to host a Food & Fellowship as we journey through Advent and Christmas week, Sundays are available:

Christ the King – Nov. 23: Open; 1st Sunday of Advent – Nov. 30: Open; 2nd Sunday of Advent – Dec. 7: Open; 3rd Sunday of Advent – Dec. 14: Open; 4th Sunday of Advent – Dec. 21: Ale & Souheil Haddad; Hymns & Carols – Dec. 28: Open. Sign up in Fellowship Hall or see Allen.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

One of the missions we support is Pantry 279, a food pantry serving needy families in Monroe County. They will be providing Thanksgiving dinner boxes for 2500 underprivileged families. They are in need of items to fill those boxes as well as everyday food items. We will be collecting food items for them in our little red wagon leading up to Thanksgiving. Here is a list of items most needed:

Thanksgiving: Turkeys, canned yams, deserts (pie filling, pudding, cake mix,), cranberry sauce, gravy packets, stuffing, green beans, corn, jiffy cornbread mix, cream of mushroom soup, mac n cheese.

Everyday items: Pasta, pasta sauce, canned meats, canned beans, spaghetti type things, soups, Ramin, pasta and rice dishes like knorr noodles or rice-a-roni, oatmeal, baking items like flour, oils, sugar, baby formulas, etc.

Financial support is also needed to complete the Thanksgiving boxes. The best way to do that is through their website: pantry279.org.



A Blast from the Past . . .



Christmas Eve at UPC 2024.

Lighting of the Christ Candle on the Advent wreath.



Reverend Susan McGhee and the Nyarko family.

