# 24<sup>TH</sup> Sunday after Pentecost NOVEMBER 11-12, 2023

## **ORDERS OF WORSHIP**

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We welcome you to our congregation this weekend! We are glad to have you with us. We celebrate Holy Communion at every service. If you are a baptized Christian, please join us at the Lord's Supper. We ask that you come down the center aisle as directed and receive your wafer and wine as you walk back to your seat.

If you are new to us, everything you need for worship is projected on the screen and in this bulletin. Please feel free to use the red hymnal found in your pew, if you are more comfortable. The pages and hymn numbers are to the left of this bulletin.

Please join us for coffee after worship in the lobby.

Should you need a bathroom, they are through the glass doors in the back of the nave (sanctuary) and down the hallway on your left. A family/handicap accessible restroom with baby changing station is available in the front lobby (Peach Street entrance).

## **TODAY'S THEME**

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Today the prophet Amos calls for justice to roll down like waters. Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord. Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the word of life and the feast of victory—the marriage feast of the lamb.

# **Today's Bible Readings**

Amos 5:18-24 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Psalm 70 Matthew 25:1-13 Pew Bible p. 747 Pew Bible p. 960 Pew Bible p. 463 Pew Bible p. 806

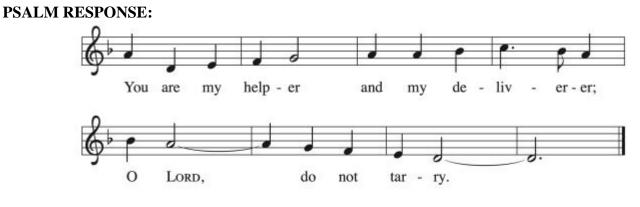
## **Today's Message**

"GOD doesn't Stop Being GOD when we Die" by Rev. Owen Rhodes

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### Amen.



Psalm 70:5

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## **OUR PRAYER LISTS:**

**Members:** Gayle Matthis, Joan Wheeler, Lynn Schrimper, Robert Schlaufman, Kellie Montifiori, Sharon Hetrick, Judy Crissman, Sandy Alwens, and the Varner Family.

Cancer treatments: Ellen Stevens

**Friends of the congregation**: Jeff LaLonde, Ryan Meyers, Sami D, Jamey Price, Ken Marshall, Amanda VanLoon, Richard D., Ernie Winter, Jarod Stolz, Fran Moriarty, Audrey Hetrick, Astro Rys, Vernon Thompson, Amy Nupp, Michelle S., Rev. Rhodes and family as they mourn the loss of Owen Jr., Natalie Zimmerly, and David Gaston.

**Cancer Friends:** Bishop Lozano, Pastor Ken Larson, Lee S, Janie G, Karen B, Norm S, Tony Paggio, Vicki Hanson, Edward Scarpitti, Beaty Emch, Ruth Stiles, Admiral Brent Scott, Katrina, Arlene Rick, Gliceria Conuel, Becky, Nicole C., and Ian Minner.

**Other prayer requests:** The congregation of St. John's to remain strong and faithful as we journey through the months to come.

If you are interested in joining the Chancel Choir just for the Advent and Christmas Season you would be more than welcome. Let's make a joyful noise to the Lord for the Holidays! Chancel Choir rehearses at 9:00 AM on Sunday mornings.

**BIBLE STUDY:** Rev. Jerry Gray will be leading a bible study on the gospels entitled "A Walk With Jesus" on Tuesdays at 10AM in the Assembly room. This is a 4-week bible study running from November 7<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>.

We would like to thank St. John's Bell Choir for their gift of music this morning.

**POINSETTIA GARDEN:** Poinsettia garden order forms are now available. Suggested donation is \$10 per plant. Forms and donations are due by Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>.