

Welcome Guests!

Welcome to those of you visiting us today. We hope you find the love of Jesus Christ in our Church.

Flowers: Chancel Vases are given:

~ In honor of two of our grandchildren, Kathryn Rose Wright and Stephen Alexander Wright and the celebrations of their November birthdays. ~ *Rich and Nancy Wright*

~ In celebration of our November birthdays and our wedding anniversary on November 18th. ~ *Pete and Olive Hanes*

A bud vase of fall flowers is given:

~ In honor of Russell Bradford and the celebration of his 92nd birthday on the 19th. Russell has been such a faithful servant of the Lord and for many, many years our church's "Good Will Ambassador". May God continue to shine his light on you.

Birthdays:

Shane Warren (11/17); Russell Bradford (11/19); Pete Hanes (11/21); Pat Mitchell (11/21)

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Sunday, November 17, 2019 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Luke 21: 5-19

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Liturgy for Sunday, November 17, 2019

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

We Prepare Our Hearts and Minds:

"This is the end—for me, the beginning of life." - Theologian, anti-Nazi collaborator and martyr Dietrich Bonhoeffer's last words before he was hanged by the S.S. at Flossenburg concentration camp in Germany just days before the liberation of the camp by the 99th U.S. Infantry Division on April 23rd, 1945.

Ringling of the Church Bell Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: Psalm 98

O sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory.

The LORD has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.

Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity. Amen.

Prelude

Choral Introit: "Without Him"

*Hymn: "Lift High the Cross" #304 - verses 1, 3, and 5

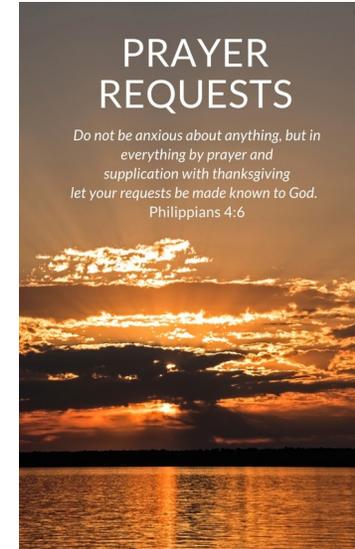
*Passing the Peace

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Almighty and merciful God, we open our hearts up to you, trusting that your love and goodness is stronger than all of our shortcomings. We have been afraid to trust you, and we have forgotten the assurance of your unending presence. We have sacrificed our convictions, quieted our voices, given in to distractions, and looked out for ourselves above all else. We have thought about giving up when the task before us seems too great. Forgive us for all these things and help us to be guided by your Spirit and to be filled with the One who gives us life. Amen.

Prayer Concerns

To place a name on the prayer list, please email Bettie Wainwright at gbwain@comcast.net or call Pete Steger at 410-289-9232.



News ...

Christmas Poinsettias - Celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ this Advent season by adorning our sanctuary with poinsettias in memory or in honor of loved ones.



Forms for poinsettias can be found on glass table in back of sanctuary and will be available until the 8th of December. The price is \$9.00 each.

With Gratefulness - Thank you to everyone who contributed to make our church family Thanksgiving a huge success. We were blessed to have visitors stay for dinner and members of the Ocean City Fire Company and EMS were able to join us. Carry out dinners were provided for those unable to attend. ~ *We love because God first loved us.* ~ **The Fellowship Committee**

Church Calendar

Sunday Worship & Fellowship—November 17th

Worship	10:30 AM
Adult Bible Study - Graison Wainwright	9:00 AM
Nursery & Preschool - Dee Lebo	10:30 AM
Children & Youth – Mabel Rogers	10:30 AM

Confirmation Class (includes dinner) at
Buckingham Presbyterian 5:30 PM

Tuesday, November 19th

W.O.W.—Women of Worship 11:00 AM

Wednesday, November 20th

Choir Practice 6:00 PM

News ...

Community Thanksgiving Service - The Annual Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service will be hosted this year by Ocean City Baptist Church. Offerings will go to Diakonia. Non-perishable food items will be collected for the OCBC Food Pantry. The Service is on **Sunday, November 24th at 7PM.**

Cruelty and wrong are not the greatest forces in the world. There is nothing eternal in them. Only love is eternal.

Elisabeth Elliot

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Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri** (Pew Guide)

Invitation to the Offering

***Doxology** (Pew Guide)

Prayer of Dedication

Choral Anthem: “Rejoice, the Lord is King”

Prayer for Illumination (unison)

God of abundant life, your grace is our daily bread.

Nourish us by your Word and fill us with your Spirit so that we may grow in faith and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

1st Scripture Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13 (p. 1173 Pew Bible)
Elder Peggy Webster

2nd Scripture Reading: Luke 21: 5-19 (pp. 1042, 1043 Pew Bible)
Rev. Dan McKenty

Time with Children and Youth
Rev. Dan McKenty

Sermon: “Persecution, Preparation and Perseverance”
Rev. Dan McKenty

***Hymn: “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” #463**

***Affirmation of Faith: - Colossians 1: 15-20**
Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn of all creation;
in him all things in heaven and on earth were created,
things visible and invisible.
All things have been created through him and for him.
He himself is before all things
and in him all things hold together.

◇ *When we are celebrating communion, we will serve non-alcoholic grape juice instead of wine.*

◇ *Headphones are available at the back of the sanctuary for hearing assistance.*

**He is head of the body, the church;
he is the beginning,
the first born of the dead,
so that he might come to have first place in everything.
For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things,
whether on earth or in heaven,
by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.**

Sacrament of Our Lord's Supper – intinction

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal God, holy and mighty, it is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, and to worship you in every place where your glory abides. You laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They shall perish, but you shall endure. You are always the same and your years will never end.

You made us in your image and called us to be your people, but we turned from you, leaving sin and death to reign. Still you loved us and sought us. In Christ your grace defeated death and opened the way to eternal life.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. You sent your only-begotten, in whom your fullness dwells, to be for us the way, the truth, and the life. Revealing your love, Jesus taught those who would hear him, healed those who believed in him, received all who sought him and lifted the burden of their sin. We glorify you for your great power and love at work in Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection, you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made us a new people by water and the Spirit.

Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts, we take this bread and this wine from the gifts you have given us, and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the one crucified and risen. Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ and with all who are baptized in his name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

Help us, O God, to love as Christ loved. Knowing our own weakness, may we stand with all who stumble.

Sharing in his suffering, may we remember all who suffer. Held in his love, may we embrace all whom the world denies. Rejoicing in his forgiveness, may we forgive all who sin against us. Give us strength to serve you faithfully until the promised day of resurrection, when with the redeemed of all the ages we will feast with you at your table in glory.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, eternal God, now and forever. **Amen**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (Pew Guide)

***Hymn: "Abide with Me" #419**

Charge

Benediction

Response and Postlude: "Three-Fold Amen"

