



**Sunday, November 7, 2021 ~ Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Miller Commons)

### Way of the Week

**23. WORSHIP WITH YOUR WHOLE HEART.** Your life is meant to be an act of worship. Every breath, action, and thought flows from God and can bring Him glory. Praise God everywhere, and embrace the opportunities to regularly worship with your church family.

*“And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all He has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice – the kind He will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship Him.” (Romans 12:1- 2)*

Ideas for Action: Every morning this week, recite the Jesus Creed: *“Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.” The second is this, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” (Mark 12:29–31)*

### Welcome and Work of God’s People

Rev. Stuart Spencer

### Songs of Praise

Worship Team

***Set a Fire***

***Reckless Love***

### Prayer of Confession

Dave Fauvell

It is good to worship God! It is good to be happy and energized. But Church, we can’t forget why. The truth is, we are terrible, evil, wicked people. Our hearts are rotten. Despite our best efforts to do good, we just do evil. We are so messed up that we trick ourselves into thinking that we can do good on our own; when the truth is, we can’t. God, help us see all the ways we need You as we silently share with You our sins.

*Time for silent prayer and reflection*

## Assurance of Forgiveness

Dave Fauvell

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Church, you know that the story doesn't stop with our failure. The story continues with the victory of Jesus. Thank God He loves us! We can unburden our filthy, detestable sin onto the shoulders of Christ because of His amazing love. Jesus chose to take our punishment, death, and give us His glory-life. Church, God became a man to save us from our broken, sinful lives. This is the hope we live in; this is the assurance of your forgiveness. That we were still sinners, God became man to save us!

## Testimony

Manny Delgado

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## Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Paul Savage

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## Offertory

Paul Savage

*Please continue your faithful giving as we look to begin our program year. Your tithes and offerings allow us to fully support church operations and our work in the world. Our ministry continues every day. Those attending in person may leave an offering in the box by the doors. Electronic giving is here to stay! Sign up for this simple, secure [automatic withdrawal](#). Online gifts may also be made from the Church Center app on your smart phone.*

## Praise Song

Worship Team

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***Let Them See You***

## Sermon

Dave Fauvell

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***Transformation vs. Modification***

Scripture Text: [Ezekiel 36 :26-27 \(NLT\)](#)

Sermon Series: A Letter to Exiles

Bethany & Isabel Trzeciak

## Communion Song

Worship Team

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***Death Was Arrested***

## Communion

Rev. Wes Allen

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Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution & the Lord's Prayer

The Bread and the Cup (*Please prepare a communion serving for yourself and any who are worshipping with you.*)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

## Benediction and Going Forth

Dave Fauvell

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## 11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

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**Audio:** Steve Drzaszcz

**Livestream:** Jonathan Nawrocki

**Visuals:** Alice Conley

**Worship Team:** Martin Bass-Guitar; Christine Bass-Keyes; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Don Stevens-Bass; Barry Overton-Drums

**Vocals:** Michelle Davis

**Flower Arrangers:** Stacy Schaffer and Debbie Heller  
**Ushers:** Dave Barr and Jason Rose  
**Trustee Greeter:** Patrick McIlroy  
**Youth Greeters:** Taylor Krott and Bethany Trzeciak

**Today's flowers** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Loudell and thanks to God for a loving wife by Jim Cole.

**Check-ins:** Check-in is self-check in only on your smart phone (no QR code to swipe). Volunteer(s) remain available to assist. Please remember to check in from home when watching the live stream.

**New Protocols:** Effective November 1, Session approved revised COVID-19 safety protocols effective immediately. Masks are optional for vaccinated adults. Masks are recommended for those unvaccinated. Individuals 18 years or younger are required to wear masks. Congregational singing remains discontinued; singers are masked. We will not serve nor eat food indoors. Session and staff will continue to monitor the pandemic and make changes as warranted.

**Adult Education:** Join Lorenzo Eagles and Rev. Wes Allen on Sunday mornings, 9:45-10:45, in Fellowship Hall or via Zoom for our fall Adult Education hour. Each week we will dive headfirst into the Word of God as we reflect on and explore that week's sermon text. A study guide is provided electronically on the church website.

- Week Six: November 14 – Jeremiah 29:8-13

**Growing Young: An Important Resource** - Churches are both shrinking and aging as more young people disengage. Based on groundbreaking research with over 250 of the nation's leading congregations, the book, Growing Young provides a strategy any church can use to involve and retain young people. It profiles innovative churches engaging 15- to 29-year-olds who are growing—spiritually, emotionally, missionally, and numerically. Packed with ideas, Growing Young shows ministry leaders how to position their churches to reach younger generations in a way that breathes life into the whole church. Visit the Growing Young website: <https://churchesgrowingyoung.com/>.

**Church Has Left the Building:** Thank you to everyone who participated in Church has Left the Building. From our youngest to our oldest congregants, everyone played their part to help our ministry partners and to be the hands and feet of Jesus in our community.

**Installation Service** for Rev. Wes Allen will be held on Sunday, Nov. 14 at 4:00 p.m. All are invited to attend. Stay to enjoy s'mores outside after the Service!

If you have not yet returned your 2022 *Estimate of Giving*, kindly return **by November 14** to assist our budget preparations. Return by mail, [fill out online](#), place in the offering, or e-mail to Norm Vandergrift in the church office.

**Thanksgiving Break:** Wed. Nov. 24 - No kids groups or middle school youth group; Sun. Nov. 28 - no Sunday School or nursery care; no high school youth group. The church office is closed Nov. 25-26 for the holiday.

[Longest Night Service](#) will be held **Sunday, Dec. 12** at 7:00 p.m. to provide peace to those dealing with grief, illness, anxiety or depression, who may not feel the holiday joy. Seminary intern Paul Savage preaches. If you have someone you would like us to invite, please provide their name and address to Alison Mackey in the church office so we may send them an invitation letter.

**Poinsettia Sales** will be held November 21, November 28, and December 5. Look for order forms online and at church.

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