

November 24th , 2024 | 10:15 am Worship Service | A Life of Giving Thanks | Thanksgiving Sunday



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IMPORTANT INFO

Connecting

If you are joining us for the first time, welcome! If you'd like more information about Lakeview., you can email the office: info@lakeviewucc.com, visit our website: lakeviewucc.com, or chat before or after the service with one of our fellowship volunteers/greeters.

Childcare

Nursery Care for our youngest children will be available starting at 10am in Room 7 (in the CE Wing). Older children and teens are encouraged to enjoy the opening portion of the worship service in the sanctuary. They will be dismissed to Sunday School during the Hymn of Welcoming.

Restrooms

You're invited to use the restroom that corresponds with your gender identity or the restroom that is the safest and most comfortable for you. Gendered, multiple-occupancy restrooms are available through the North double glass doors in the Narthex, across from the conference room.

Open and Affirming

Lakeview is an O&A church and has affirmed a public covenant welcoming people of all sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions in the full life and ministry of our congregation.

Todd Peterson Pastor	Corey Nieman CYF Minister	Natalie Nolte Dir. Vocal Music	Irina Hall Dir. Instr. Music	Ministers All People
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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Centering *Praise for All Thy Blessings* Natalie Nolte & Irina Hall

A Thanksgiving Psalm

One: We come today to praise You, Beloved One,
Many: For abundance, for cups brim filled;
ALL: *How can we not delight in Your majesty and Your endless blessings to us.*

One: How simple our thanks, Beloved One,
Many: For laden tables, for gathered families;
ALL: *Shoulders touching in the intimacy of the meal You have spread before us.*

One: Teach us to thank and bless Your name,
Many: When cups are empty and thirst is great;
ALL: *Put our hands together to replenish, finding blessing in tiny sips.*

One: Beloved One, we thank and bless You,
Many: We find hope in uncertainty and triumph in shaky steps;
ALL: *For the blessings and gifts that flow in and from and through and on our lives; Let us rejoice and give thanks to God!*

Hymn of Welcoming *Come With Thanksgiving* (v.1-3)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: Loving God, You invite us to extend Your love to the world around us—
Many: To care for others as deeply as we care for ourselves. And so we bring the needs of our world before You now.
One: We gather in prayer for the many who do not have enough:

Many: Enough food to eat, or shelter to keep warm;
Enough employment, or money to pay their bills;
Enough medicine or medical care.

One: We also pray for those who have more than enough,

Many: Yet who still struggle to find meaning and purpose in life;
Fearful and grasping for more and more:
More possessions, more power and more privilege.

ALL: *God, Your grace reaches out to all of us. You call us to live as disciples, working together with one heart and mind. Strengthen us to live out the Good News we have received, offering our lives in service of Your kingdom, where the last are first, and the first are last, and there is grace enough for all. Amen*

Passing of the Peace

Call to Prayer

In Solitude (v.1)

#521

Prayers of the People

One: We lift them up in prayer

Many: Lord, hold them in Your love.

The Lord's Prayer

Version by Peter M. Parr

Perfect Love,

We turn again to You.

Guide us; help us to love, so that Your Will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us this day that which we need.

Fill us with hope and trust.

Help us to forgive our brothers and sisters (and ourselves as well); and to look on them as you look on us.

Give us strength to resist temptation.

When we are tempted, let us choose peace.

Deliver us from our fears.

For what You love is safe.

And Your love remains forever and always.

Amen.

Special Music

Come Into God's Courts with Praise

Handbell Choir

Hearing the Good News

PHILIPPIANS 4:4-9

NRSVUE

Sharing the Good News

Hymn of Rejoicing

For the Beauty of the Earth (v. 1-3)

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Stewardship Moment

Offertory

Irina Hall

Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

Giving God, thank you for hearing our prayer, receiving our gifts, and making them holy for your kin'dom. Bless and honor these gifts and renew the resources as a demonstration of generosity and flourishing in your realm. Amen.

Hymn of Sending

On Eagle's Wings

*And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the Sun,
And hold you in the palm of God's hand.*

Benediction and Blessing

Postlude

Come Into God's Courts With Praise, by Michael Helman, c. 2019 Lorenz Publ. Co.; A Thanksgiving Psalm - adapted from work by Debbie Perlman "*Flames to Heaven: New Psalms for Healing and Praise.*"; Prayer of Thanksgiving - adapted from the work of Christine Longhurst, *re:Worship*; THE LORD'S PRAYER -VERSION FROM PETER M PARR [HTTPS://WWW.THINGSTOREMEMBER.ORG.UK/BLOG/THE-LORDS-PRAYER-AN-ALTERNATIVE-VERSION](https://www.thingstoremember.org.uk/blog/the-lords-prayer-an-alternative-version); *Praise for All Thy Blessings*, arr. By Linda Lamb, c.2020 Grassy Meadow Music.; add'l music public domain and/or licensed under CCLI and/or OneLicense. Photo by Good Days Digital on Unsplash

“No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!”



We make a point to say this from the pulpit most Sundays. We like saying it. We like what it means. It means that at Lakeview United Church of Christ you don't have to be sure about your understanding of God to worship here. It means that in this community of faith you are welcome to share your gifts and your needs---no matter what they are. It means that no matter your race, nationality, sexual orientation, gender identification, age, ability, or *whatever it is that makes you you, our welcome to you is extravagant!*

If you have found yourself excluded and alienated, spiritually homeless or questioning, you are welcome here. If you have ever felt there is no room for you within Christianity or the Church, you are welcome here. We are a community of faith that celebrates diversity and strives to fulfill our mission to: Reach out through God's spirit by Involving, Serving and Learning Together. *We hope you will return and even consider joining this band of fellow travelers. Let's journey together!*



Come with thanksgiving

1. Come with thanks - giv - - ing, graced by God's
 2. Come, as a bless - - ing, in love and
 3. Come in com - mun - - ion with all the

pres - ence: Faith - ful - ly giv - ing, come lift your
 kind - ness, your gift pro - fess - ing what you be -
 grate - ful. Form a glad un - ion with all who

voice. _____ Of - fer your treas - ure, a frag - rant
 lieve. _____ From your a - bun - dance, wit - ness for
 care. _____ Let your thanks - giv - ing join with all

in - cense, show God your pleas - ure. Come and re - joice.
 jus - tice, heed the com - mand - ments, share and re - lieve.
 peo - ple in gra - cious liv - ing, love that we share.

WORDS: F. Richard Garland, 2015 (Philippians 4:4-9)

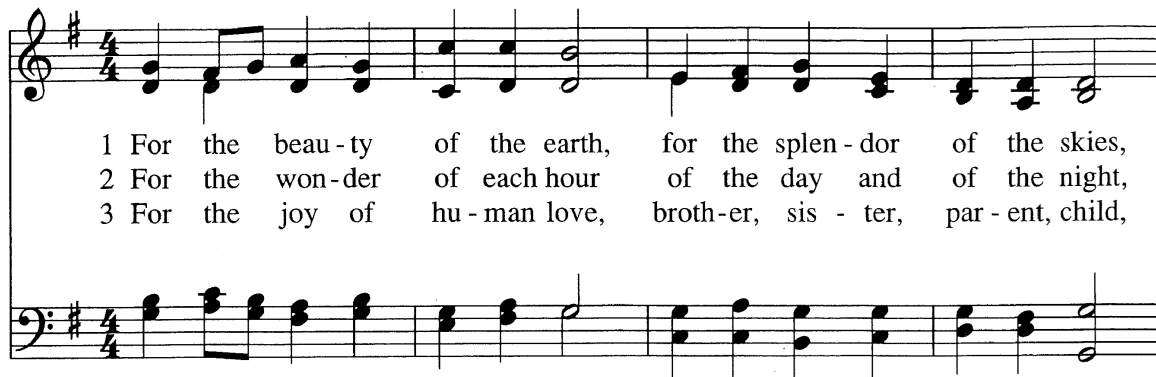
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MUSIC: Trad. Gaelic melody; harm. by Dean McIntyre, 2013

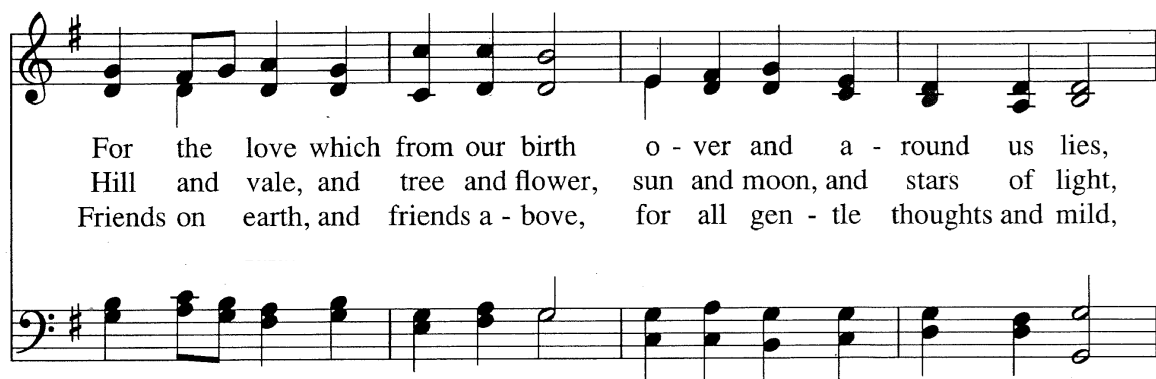
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For the Beauty of the Earth

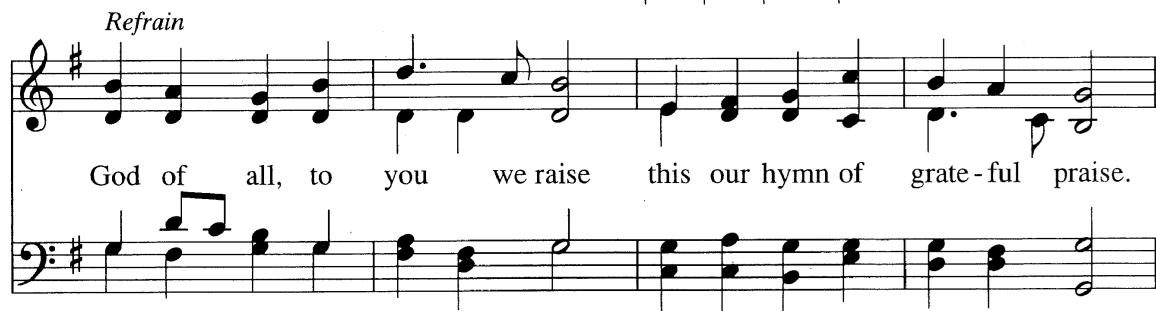
St. 1-3, Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1864; alt.


1 For the beau-ty of the earth, for the splen-dor of the skies,
 2 For the won-der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of hu-man love, broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,



For the love which from our birth o-ver and a-round us lies,
 Hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,
 Friends on earth, and friends a-bove, for all gen-tle thoughts and mild,

Refrain



God of all, to you we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

Folliott S. Pierpoint, author of numerous hymns, penned these verses near his native city of Bath, England, on a late spring day when flowers were in full bloom and all the earth seemed to rejoice.

Tune: DIX 7.7.7.7. with refrain
 Conrad Kocher, 1838
 Adapt. William H. Monk, 1861



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*Rom. 8:26-27; Eph. 5:18-20**Ruth Duck, 1983*

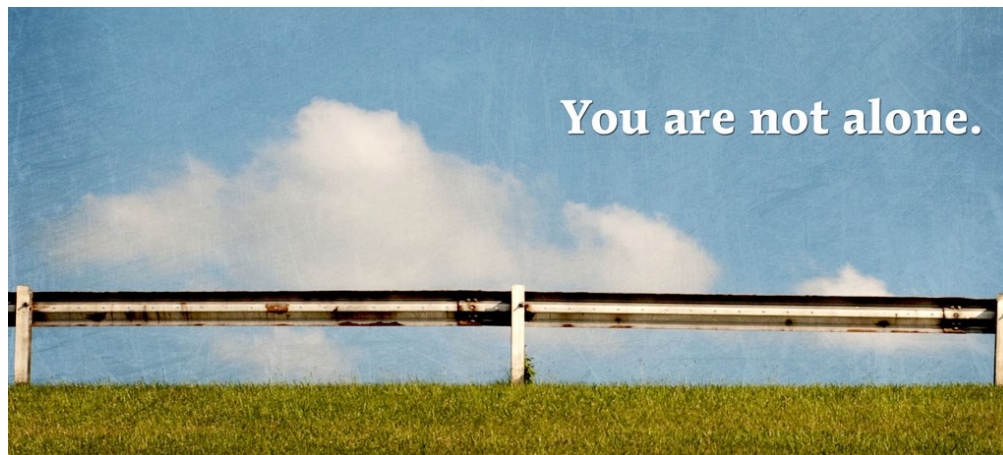
1 In sol - i - tude, in sol - i - tude, I come to God in prayer.
 2 When-e'er the world is troub-ling me, and stress is all a - round,
 3 In sea - sons of per-plex - i - ty, in times of deep de - spair,
 4 And when my heart is bur-dened down with cares for those I love,
 5 With psalms and hymns and songs of praise be - fore my God I'll come,

In si - lence and sim - plic - i - ty, my spir - it blos - soms there.
 I seek the pres - ence of my God, and heal - ing light is found.
 I light a can - dle in the night and turn to God in prayer.
 too deep for words, with groans and sighs, de - scends the ho - ly dove.
 till death it - self is past and gone, and I ar - rive at home.

Ruth Duck has commented that "these words were inspired by a pentatonic melody which came to me as I taught myself to play the mandolin." They are an expression of her "deep-rooted southern spirituality."

Tune: LAND OF REST C.M.
 Traditional United States melody
 Harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan, 1938

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The Christmas Fund is Lakeview's mission of the month for November.

This UCC fund provides financial aid to retired and active ministers, as well as retired lay employees, their surviving spouses and children. This mission is one of the five all-church missions of the UCC that we support annually. The 2024 theme for this offering is "The Glory of God shone around them" from Luke 2:9.

Please join with others in the United Church of Christ to return grace to those who have given so much to each of us and to our churches. **If you have questions about this mission, please direct them to Pastor Todd or Linda Overholt.**



Lakeview United Church
Christmas Fund (Dec)
https://www.ucc.org/ucf

DONATIONS FOR KINGS FOOD PANTRY

For November and December Holiday Meals

To help struggling families enjoy Holiday feasts, please consider donations of holiday favorites

- Potatoes- instant or boxed
- Stuffing Mix
- Jello & Pudding
- Cranberry Sauce
- Boxed Pie crust mix
- Canned fruits



- Canned veggies (and cream of mushroom soup for casseroles)
- Pumpkin Pie filling (& evaporated milk)
- Roll or Muffin mix
- Gravy- mixes or canned



As we kick off our 2025 Stewardship Campaign, "Imagine Together", you should have received an email message from our Stewardship team, along with info on how to make your pledge online. You can use this link to return your pledge: <https://form.jotform.com/232774737198168> or scan the QR code here. Paper pledge cards are available in the narthex or email or call the office to request one.



We hope you will plan to stay with us after service TODAY and join in the "Hanging of the Greens"! Many hands make light work as we all pitch in to decorate the church for the Advent Season.



Sign Up to Help With Worship and Fellowship—WE NEED YOU!

In case you have missed it, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the lobby where you are encouraged to volunteer for Sundays. We are in need of greeters, scripture readers, help with Communion preparation/serving, and providing and/or serving refreshments/doing cleanup after worship.

Contributions to the Lakeview Operating fund can be made during offering, by using the giving envelopes in the main aisle, via automatic bill pay at your bank, online using the Pushpay app or the QR code here. Your generosity is deeply appreciated! Applepay is now accepted via Pushpay.



In Our Prayers

Chris Bilyeu and Family; the Anderson Family; Mac McKenzie;
the Alkire Family; Louise (Pam's Mother-in-law); Ed McEleney; the Paul Family;
Ernie and Karen (Pam's friends); Leslie (Pam's friend); the Madden family;
Adrienne (daughter of Lisa Barrows' friend); Esther Friedhoff & family;
Katie & John (Overholt family); Karen Baumann & Larry ; Katha Kievit

Birthdays this Week

Clara McOsker, Colin Friedhoff (25); Paula Seward (26)



Today

10:15 AM Sunday Worship
11:30 AM **Hanging of the Greens**

Monday, Nov 25

11:00 AM AA- FH
6:30 PM BSA Scouts- FH
7:00 PM AA - Conf. Room

Tuesday, Nov 26

5:30 PM Cub Scout Den Mtgs-FH/
CR/Lobby/CE wing
8:00 PM AA Meeting- FH/CR

Wednesday, Nov 27

10:00 AM Lakeview Quilters—CR
12:00 PM AA Meeting - FH
7:00 PM NAR-Anon rm 7

Thursday, Nov 28 *Happy Thanksgiving!*

7:00 PM AA Meeting— FH
7:00 PM Al-Anon —rm 8

Friday, Nov 29

Saturday, Nov 30

8:30 AM AA Meeting—FH



If you are looking for ways to experience even more music during this Advent season, members of our Lakeview music community will be participating in the following special events and would love your support:

The students of our amazing accompanist, Irina Hall, will be giving



their recital here at Lakeview on Thursday, December 19th at 5:00pm.

Singing and Ringing: Saturday, December 7th, 3:00pm - 4:30pm
St. Barnabas Episcopal Church,
10345 Montgomery Rd, Cincinnati, OH



Singing and Ringing is a joint concert between The Cincinnati Boychoir and the Cincinnati Collaborative Ringing Project, an adult community handbell ensemble. The program will include pieces by the separate Boychoir ensembles and the CCRP handbells, as well as some combined numbers. The program will finish with a holiday favorites sing-along for the Boychoir, handbells and audience members! Please come and join us and get in the holiday spirit! The concert is free and open to the public.



LAKOTA EAST SINGING THUNDERHAWKS WEST CHESTER SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

PRESENTS I'M DREAMING OF A

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Christmas Show

December 3, 2024 at 7:00pm
West Chester Nazarene Church
7951 Tylersville Rd.

Mason Symphony Orchestra

Christmas in Mason

Festival Concert

Sunday, December 8, 2024
5 PM

Manor House, Mason

Featuring
Javier Ortiz, Bass-Baritone

Holiday Ringers
Mason Chorale
The Studio for Dance

Mason CHORALE

<https://www.masonsymphonyorchestra.org/>

DAYTON PERFORMING ARTS ALLIANCE
Opera Philharmonic Ballet

SCAN ME

Handel's Messiah

December 18, 2024, at 7:30pm

Neal Gittleman
Conductor

Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra

Dayton Philharmonic Chamber Chorus

Steven Hankle
Chorus Director

Schuster Center
Winsupply Theatre
1 W 2nd St, Dayton, OH 45402

<https://daytonperformingarts.org/production/messiah/>

or Scan QR Code for tickets and information.

Mason Chorale
Christmas Concert

- Sunday, December 22, 2024
- 6:30pm - 8:30pm
- Heritage Presbyterian Church
6546 Mason Montgomery Rd
- <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/masonchorale/1473568>