

EAGLE GROVE AND GOLDFIELD UMC

WE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC AND WELCOME

Good Morning! We're glad you're here in worship today. To let you know, 2 and 3-digit numbers in the bulletin are in the red *United Methodist Hymnal*; 4-digit songs can be found in the black *The Praise We Sing*. The offering plate is brought to the pews during the offertory. Please stand in body or in spirit as you are able where you see an *. Fellowship time follows in the Fireside Room, to the right as you leave the sanctuary.

CENTERING PRAYER

PRELUDE AND BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

***CALLING OURSELVES TO WORSHIP**

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, Rejoice!

God, we delight in your creation. We thank you for soft breezes, crisp apples, and changing seasons that remind us of your presence and provision.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, Rejoice!

God, we delight in our connectedness. We thank you for friends who check in, for church family who lift one another up, for neighbors who show up in the good and challenging times.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, Rejoice!

God, we delight in your peace that dwells among us. We give thanks for neighbors who offer help in times of trouble, gentleness in the midst of pain, and acts of kindness during seasons of struggle.

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving and rejoicing!

Come! Let us worship God together¹. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN**

We Gather Together

#131

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Faithful God, we confess that we do not give attention to the things that are of you. We listen to rumors and gossip instead of what is true and honorable. We do not hold fast to justice. We do not train our hearts on what is pure and pleasing to you. In our words and our deeds, we stray from all that is commendable, excellent, and worthy of praise. We do not attend to all we have received and learned of your good news, and so we do not live in peace with you or with our neighbors.

Forgive us, we pray. Free us to live as your grateful people. *Silent prayers of confession.*

Receive the good news: God pays attention to us when we pray. God receives our confession and saves us by grace. May the peace of God guard us in mind and heart now and forever.

Thanks be to God!¹ Amen.

WE PROCLAIM

SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

Philippians 4:4-13

REFLECTION

Pastor Alaire

PRAYERS FOR TODAY

Gracious and loving God, we give thanks for your many blessings in our lives. We rejoice in You always, finding our joy in the Lord. We pray that your peace, which surpasses all understanding, will guard our hearts and minds as we bring our anxieties to You.

In Thanksgiving week, help us cultivate a spirit of thankfulness in our daily lives and express our gratitude not only in words but also in our actions¹. We pray together as Jesus taught his followers

LORD'S PRAYER

WE RESPOND

WE GIVE OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS AND OURSELVES

*DOXOLOGY

#95

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord of peace and serenity, receive the gifts we bring this day as we present them in thankfulness and joy. We bring ourselves as our offering, that in living lives of truth, justice, honor, and excellence, we might please you and be worthy of your never-failing love and presence with us. Grateful that Christ and the Holy Spirit might dwell in us, we pray in Jesus' holy name¹. Amen.

WE GO FORTH

*HYMN OF SENDING

Now Thank We All Our God

#102

WE GO TO SERVE

* BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

Go Now In Peace

#665

*POSTLUDE

OPPORTUNITIES TO SHARE AND GATHER

Today – Community Thanksgiving Celebration sponsored by EGAMA at Sacred Heart

4pm - practice with Community Chorale (anyone can join in)

5:30pm – Soup supper

6:30pm – Worship. Speaker is Brain Bidleman from Beacon of Hope

Mon – 6pm, at Eagle Grove UMC. Meeting with District Superintendent Michel Lundula

Thur – THANKSGIVING DAY - Church office closed. Community Thanksgiving at Sacred Heart

11pm-1pm. Free will donation. Sponsored by the Chamber.

Fri Nov. 24th Church office closed

-Advent begins Sunday, December 3.

-Eagle Grove will be decorating the chancel Saturday, November 25th (Saturday after Thanksgiving) at 9:15am. If you would like to come help, please do so.

-Goldfield Women will decorate Wednesday, December 6.

-People needed for prepping bags and weaving on the loom. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:15am