

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

## SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

\*BLESSING

\*SENDING HYMN

**“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”** Green Hymnal # 285 vs. 1, 3-5

\*DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

\*CONGREGATIONAL & CHORAL BENEDICTION

**“Father, Give Thy Benediction”**

*Father, give thy benediction; Give thy peace before we part; Still our  
minds with truth’s conviction; Calm with trust each anxious heart. Amen.*

POSTLUDE

## Worship Assistants



**Greeters:** Lindsay & Ashley Hedrick Family

**Acolytes:** Mason & Smith Seaford

**Reader:** Scott Frank

**Sound and Video:** Matt Hedrick

### Hedrick’s Grove Reformed United Church of Christ

3840 Allred Road ~ Lexington, NC 27292

**Office Phone:** 336-746-5622 ~ **Email:** hedricksgroveucc@gmail.com

**Website:** www.hgrucc.org

**Pastor** ~ Joshua W. Rau

**Cell:** 715-294-0157 ~ **Email:** joshuawrau@gmail.com

**Pastor Emeritus:** The Rev. David L. Crook

**Director of Music:** Patty Hedrick

**Organist & Handbell Director:** Trudy Vossburg-Keating

**Administrative Assistant:** Pixie Hughes Philemon

# Hedrick’s Grove Reformed United Church of Christ



*Sunday, November 5, 2023*

*A warm welcome to all today!*

May this time of worship strengthen your faith and desire to serve  
the Creator who loves us with everlasting love in Christ Jesus.

Visitors, we are especially glad to see you.

*Please come again!!*



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

\*Indicates to please stand if able.

Congregational responses are printed in **BOLD** print.

## GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

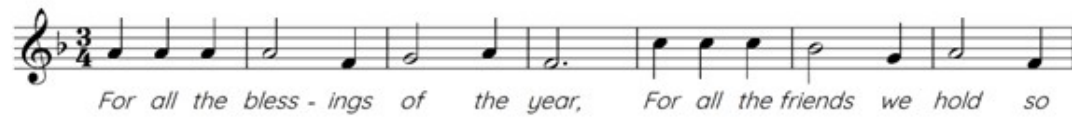
TRINITY CHIMES (At the sound of the chimes, please enter into a time of meditation.)

PRELUDE "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" Arr. Lani Smith

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CONGREGATIONAL & CHORAL INTROIT

"We Thank Thee, Lord"



\*ALL SAINTS LITANY

We give you thanks, O God,

**for all the saints who ever worshiped you, whether in arbors or cathedrals, wooden churches or cement meeting houses.**

We give you thanks, O God,

**for hands lifted in praise: manicured hands and hands stained with grease or soil, strong hands and hands gnarled with age, holy hands.**

We thank you, God,

**for hardworking saints, whether hard-hatted or aproned, blue-collared or three-piece-suited. They left their mark for you, for us, for our children to come. Thank you for the sacrifices made by those who have gone before us. Bless the memories of your saints. May we learn how to walk wisely from their examples of faith, dedication, worship, and love. Amen.**

\*GATHERING HYMN "For All the Saints" Red Hymnal # 614 vs. 1-3

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us prepare to take our place at the table of grace with servants among us and saints above us, united in the joy of Christ our Hope:

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

**Everlasting God, whose timeless grace unites us, forgive the ways we have sinned against our ancestors. We failed to follow their example and heed their wisdom. Free us from the legacy of their sins. Forgive the ways we have sinned against our descendants. Our greed has threatened their well-being, and our hatred has damaged their peace. Free us to be your worthy servants in this hour, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The saying is true for all generations: Christ died for us while we were still sinners. This proves God's love for us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

\*GLORIA PATRI

## WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ANTHEM "Come, Thou Almighty King" Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 34:1-10, 22 Page 380 1 John 3:1-3 Page 820

SERMON TEXT Matthew 5:1-12 Page 651

SERMON "All Saints" Joshua W. Rau

\* SERMON HYMN "For All the Saints" Red Hymnal # 614 vs. 4-6

\*STATEMENT OF FAITH APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER ~ PASTORAL PRAYER ~ LORD'S PRAYER (Debts and Debtors)

## THANKSGIVING

*God's gifts move us to respond with grateful words and actions.*

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY