



# A Service of Worship

PRELUDE	For the Beauty of the Earth	Chris Rice
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rev. Rob Watkins
MINUTE FOR MISSION		Kim Tucker
INTROIT (10:30)	We Will Glorify	Twila Paris
†CALL TO WORSHIP		
Leader	O worship the Lord, our savior and our guide.	
<b>People</b>	<b>We praise the Lord, singing his name now and forever.</b>	
Leader	Praise the Lord, giving God the glory forever and ever.	
<b>ALL</b>	<b>PRAISE THE LORD!</b>	
PRAYER OF INVOCATION		
†HYMN #435	What a Friend We Have in Jesus	
CALL TO CONFESSION		
PRAYER OF CONFESSION		
<b>Lord Jesus</b>		
	<b>Have mercy upon us, for we have sinned in thought, word, and deed. We have not lived by love, grace, or mercy. We have shut ourselves off from others, ignoring the cries for help we could have answered. We have led by fear rather than courage. We have not spoken as we should. We have not served as we should. Forgive us, please. Renew our spirits within us, for we are lost without your grace. Answer us when we cry for help. Amen.</b>	
ASSURANCE OF PARDON		
PASSING OF THE PEACE		
TIME WITH THE CHILDREN		
OFFERING	Mighty to Save	Labenske
†DOXOLOGY		
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Mark 9:38-41	
SERMON	Finding Friends	Rev. Rob Watkins
†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH		
	<b>The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou annointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.</b>	
MUSICAL MEDITATION (10:30)	Think of Me and Remember <i>MCPC Choir</i>	Joel Raney
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER		
†HYMN #448	A Charge to Keep I Have	
BENEDICTION		
CHORAL BENEDICTION (10:30)	Go in the Spirit of Peace	Douglas Smith
POSTLUDE (8:30) (10:30)	Now Thank We All Our God I Love to Tell the Story	Cruger/Elvey Hankey/Fischer

†All who are able are invited to stand

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**Sunday School Classes & Locations**

Age 0-2 – Nursery  
Age 3-5 – Preschool room  
K-4th grade – Youth Club room  
7th-12th grade – Teen room  
Younger Adults – Garrison Martin room  
Older Adults – Morrison room  
Confirmation Class– Upstairs, Education Building

**This week at Mallard Creek**

**Sunday, September 29**

8:30 am Worship Service in the Chapel  
9:00 am Fellowship Time  
9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship Service in Sanctuary  
11:30 am A Day In The Park (Dining Hall)

**Monday, Sept 30**

6:30 pm Cub Scouts  
6:30 pm PW Council Meeting via Zoom

**Tuesday, October 1**

10:00 am Circle of Mary-Anna  
5:30 pm Girl Scouts  
6:30 pm Boy Scout Troop 148  
7:00 pm Congregational Care Mtg via Zoom

**Wednesday, October 2**

2:00 pm A Matter of Balance (Dining Hall)  
6:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 pm Bible Study  
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, October 3**

6:30 pm BSA Crew 148

**Friday, October 4**

**OFFICERS ON DUTY**

**ELDERS:**  
James Killian, Brian Wasko, Greg Armistead

**DEACONS:**  
Amy Spittle, Jean MacNeil, Tracy Tucker,  
Tom Baker

**A Congregational Meeting is called for Sunday, Oct 6, 2024 at 10:20am in the Sanctuary to hear a report from the Nominating Committee. They will nominate:**

**Harvey Alexander,  
James Killian,  
Michel Lapalombella  
Tommy Mitchell  
Becky Wood**

**for the Elder class of 2027 and floor nominations will be taken. If only five are nominated, they will be elected by acclamation. If more than five persons are nominated, congregational meetings will be called each Sunday at 10:20 am until five are elected.**

**A Note For Parents With Small Children:**  
Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me." We celebrate these words as we welcome ALL ages in worship with us. Our desire is to help you make the most of this worship experience. Here are a few reminders:

1. There are Children's Worship Bags and Bibles available in the back of the church.
2. There is a cry room in the Gathering Space, if you need to take a quick "time out" during the service.
3. There is a nursery for infants through age 4 downstairs from 9:30 am. Please let a Deacon know if you have any questions.



<b>PRAYER LIST</b>		
The Family of Cy Alexander	Jean Helms	Jenny Parker
JW and Vivian Avant	Shirley Hunter	Brian Pouliot—Harvey/
Linda Benfield	Jane Isenhower	Monie Alexander's family
Jackie Brand	Phyllis Jones	Judith Rankin
Bobby Brown	<b>Lynn Kelley</b>	<b>Donna Seaford</b>
Donny Brown	Betsy Killian	Lois Spradley
Ken and Suggie Christenbury	Merle King	Nicole Stillman
David Clemmer, Jr.	Roy Kinnamon	Earl Thomas
Bill Cochran	Elaine Lord	Juanita Untz
Ruby Downing	Cecil & Tamara Massey	Keri Wass
Brenda Garrison	Lucy McLaughlin	Caroline Williams
Ben and Carl Hatton	Donnie Oehler	