

Grace United Church of Christ 25 E. Second St. Frederick, MD



Thanksgiving Sunday
November 18, 2018
11:00 a.m.

SERVICE OF THE WORD
NOVEMBER 18, 2018
26TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

Welcome! It is a pleasure to have you with us this morning.

This morning we will use the black *New Century Hymnal* (NCH)

**Indicates when people are invited to stand.*

We Gather

Prelude "We Gather Together" Jonas Dawson
from *Nederlandsch Gedenckclank* (1626), arr. Lani Smith

Welcome *Please sign the red Friendship Book in your pew.*

Call of the Engelbrecht Memorial Bell

Choral Introit "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word" Grace Choir
text by Tobias Clausnitzer (1663),
translated by Catherine Winkworth (1858),
music by Roger Summers

*Call to Worship (based upon Hebrews 10:22-25)

One: Come into this time of worship by the new and living way in Christ Jesus.

Many: We come with true hearts in full assurance of our faith.

One: Come with joyful expectation.

Many: We gather in full confidence of the gospel's promise.

One: Let us praise God together and open ourselves to the power of the Holy Spirit

**Many: That we may encourage and support each other
to love our neighbors as ourselves and to be God's instruments of grace.**

*Opening Hymn "Now Thank We All Our God" NCH #419

*Opening Prayer

Leader: The grace of eternal God, the holy and living Trinity, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray. Lord God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that, always keeping in mind the end of all things and the day of judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of life here and may live with you forever in the world to come, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Passing the Peace

We Listen

*First Reading

1 Samuel 1:4-20

Teddi Garrison

Choral Anthem

"Awake, My Heart"
words by Paulus Gerhardt (1647)
translated by Winfred Douglas
music by Jane M. Marshall

Grace Choir

Gospel Reading

Mark 13: 1-8

Rev. Rob Apgar-Taylor

Children's Message

Following the Children's Message, children in Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to join us in the fellowship hall for Children's Church a time of Bible lessons, crafts, songs and other fun activities. For children 5 years and younger, our Nursery is available during the worship service.

Sermon

"Edifice Complex"

Rev. Rob Apgar-Taylor

We Respond

Prayers of the People

Response: Lord in your mercy, **Hear our Prayer**

Call for Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Thanksgiving Bells”
arr. by Barbara Baltzer Kinyon,
From “Come Ye Thankful People Come”

Bell Choir
led by James Taylor

*Prayer of Dedication

*The Lord’s Prayer (*in unison*)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

We are Sent

Announcements

*Closing Prayer

*Closing Hymn

“Come O Thankful People Come”

NCH #422

*Benediction

"Amen"
Lloyd Larson

Grace Choir

*Choral Benediction

Ringing of the Engelbrecht Memorial Bell

*Postlude

"Let All Who Have Breath Praise the Lord!"
Douglas E. Wagner (b. 1952)

Jonas Dawson

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*The yellow rose on the altar is presented by the Altar Guild in memory of deceased war veterans and in honor of those who have served our country, as well as those currently on active duty.*

Happy  
Thanksgiving



Today!  
Sunday, November 18  
following worship

**Annual Thanksgiving Dinner at Grace Church**

Please join us for turkey and all the fixings!

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!



We are delighted that you joined us for worship this morning. Please be sure to sign the red Friendship Book in your pew.

If you have any difficulty hearing the service, one of our ushers can provide you with a hearing assistance device. We also have large print bulletins and hymnals available.

Children in Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us for Children's Church - a time of Bible lessons, crafts, songs and other fun activities. We leave the Sanctuary following the Children's Message. For children 5 years and younger, our Nursery is available during the worship service.

Following the worship service, please join us for fellowship.

***Welcome to Grace Church!***

**All Church November Birthday Celebration** following worship.

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|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| <b>Rick</b>   | <b>Buske</b>   | <b>3-Nov</b>  | <b>Alyscia</b> | <b>Meggitt</b>  | <b>23-Nov</b> |
| <b>Robert</b> | <b>Davis</b>   | <b>11-Nov</b> | <b>Madelyn</b> | <b>Ford</b>     | <b>23-Nov</b> |
| <b>Karen</b>  | <b>Miller</b>  | <b>14-Nov</b> | <b>Sarah</b>   | <b>Drenning</b> | <b>25-Nov</b> |
| <b>John</b>   | <b>Brehmer</b> | <b>20-Nov</b> | <b>Traci</b>   | <b>Keyes</b>    | <b>28-Nov</b> |

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS! GRACE UPCOMING EVENTS

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Saturday, December 1

Christkindmarkt 2018!

Volunteers are needed! Speak with Pastor Rob.
Spaces are still available for vendors, and crafters.
Contact Teddi Garrison at tgarrison00725@gmail.com



Advent Study:

The Gift of the Nutcracker

begins Thursday, November 29

Thursdays throughout Advent

11/29, 12/6, 12/13, 12/20

Morning or Evening Study Group

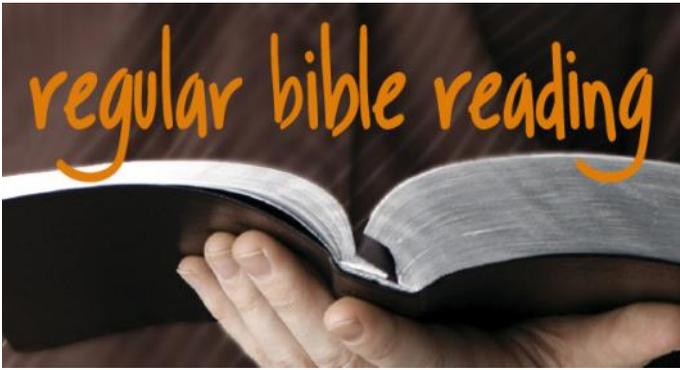
10:30 AM at Homewood (activities room)

or

6:30 PM at Grace Church (pizza and drinks provided)

The Nutcracker was first performed in 1892, and quickly became a holiday tradition, one that continues for many families to this day. In *The Gift of The Nutcracker*, Matt Rawle takes a look at this Christmas classic in a new way—through the lens of faith. In this four-week Advent study, Rawle uses the iconic tale to help us understand God's greatest gift of the Christ child and of the kingdom Christ came to build.

Join us!



Nov 18 Proper 28 (33)
1 Samuel 1:4-20
1 Samuel 2:1-10 **
Daniel 12:1-3
Psalm 16
Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25
Mark 13:1-8

Nov 19 Psalm 3
1 Samuel 3:19-4:2
Hebrews 10:26-31

Nov 20 Psalm 3
Deuteronomy 26:5-10
Hebrews 10:32-39

Nov 21 Psalm 3
1 Kings 8:22-30
Mark 13:9-23

Nov 22 Psalm 132:1-12
2 Kings 22:1-10
Acts 7:54-8:1a

Nov 23 Psalm 132:1-12
2 Kings 22:11-20
1 Corinthians 15:20-28

Nov 24 Psalm 132:1-12
2 Kings 23:1-14
John 3:31-36

Nov 25 Reign of Christ
Proper 29 (34)
2 Samuel 23:1-7
Psalm 132:1-12, (13-18)
Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
Psalm 93
Revelation 1:4b-8
John 18:33-37

CARING AND SHARING

The following are members and friends of our church family who are currently ill, hospitalized, or home-bound. Please keep them in your prayers and perhaps send a note or a card. Addresses can be obtained from the church office, or you can pick up a church directory from one of the ushers. If you know of anyone who should be added to this list, please call the church office.



**Millie Davis ~ Joe Free ~ Jean Gaver ~ Paul and Miriam Himes
Karlene Kaufmann ~ Pam Kehne ~ Betty Linton**

Please note that hospitals are no longer permitted to contact churches on behalf of their patients. If you know of a church member who is hospitalized, please inform the church office. If you or a family member is hospitalized in an emergency situation, please call Pastor Rob at 240-217-2767.



PLEDGE/OFFERING OPTIONS
USE OFFERING ENVELOPES, ELECTRONIC GIVING,
AUTOMATIC BANK DRAFT TO GRACE UCC.

- I. 2019 Offering Envelopes: Sign-up in the narthex today. Order will be placed end of November.**
- II. Two Electronic Giving Options:**
- **VANCO** (UCC's e-giving platform) allows you to have regular, recurring donations drafted from your bank account, or charged to your credit card. *(To get started, simply pick up an authorization form in the Narthex, or contact the church office.)*
 - **PAYPAL:** Make donations using PayPal via www.GraceUCC.com. Simply click the PayPal button at the bottom of the www.grucc.com home page.
 - If you decide to participate in our electronic giving programs, you can pick up some "I give electronically" cards to place in the offering plate on Sunday mornings in lieu of an envelope/paper payment.
- III. Bank Draft/Automatic Payment to Grace UCC. Call the church office for more information.**



A LOOK
at the
BUDGET

October Treasurer's Report

	October 2018	2018 Year-to-Date
Income:	\$ 14,069.21	\$ 152,856.84
Expenses:	(\$ 19,201.76)	\$ 208,876.21
Difference:	(\$ 5,132.55)	(\$ 56,029.37)

GRACE CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, November 18

- 9:45 AM Christian Education classes
- 11:00 AM Worship (S)/Rev. Dr. Rob Apgar-Taylor
- 12:00 PM Grace Annual Thanksgiving Dinner
- 5:00 PM Redemption City Church (S)



Monday, November 19

- 10:00AM & 3:30 PM Eileen Estes - voice lessons (rm 3)
- 6:30 PM TFC Young Adult Group (2nd fl)

Tuesday, November 20

- 5:30PM Eileen Estes - voice lessons (rm 3)
- 6:30 PM ManKind Project (bsmt)

Wednesday, November 21

- 6:30PM TFC Youth Group (downstairs)

Thursday, November 22 - Church Office Closed

*Happy
Thanksgiving*



Friday, November 23 - Church Office Closed

- 12:30PM Coffee with COIPP (GSR)

Saturday, November 24

Sunday, November 25

- 9:45 AM Christian Education classes
- 11:00 AM Worship (S)/Rev. Dr. Rob Apgar-Taylor
- 5:00 PM Redemption City Church (S)

**UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST**





Do you get a little chilly in church?

Please know that there are knitted shawls available for you to use as you need. They are spread throughout the sanctuary. Please ask an usher if you don't see one near you. Many thanks to Pam Marshall for this idea and for making the shawls!



MONTHLY Grace Vine Print Newsletter

NEXT ISSUE: DECEMBER 2018

ARTICLE DEADLINE: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

GO GREEN! GO PAPERLESS! Would you like to get your monthly newsletter by email instead of print? Contact Sarah in the church office at admin@grucc.com.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Do you need an updated copy of our member directory? Please contact the church office or speak to an usher on Sunday morning. Due to privacy concerns, we do not publish our directory on the church website.



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SUNDAY WORSHIP

11:00 AM

Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of every month.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Sunday, November 18

Scripture Reader: Teddi Garrison

Children's Message: Pastor Rob

Children's Church: Elizabeth Damazo

Altar Guild: Gwen Edwards

Sunday, November 25

Scripture Reader: Earl Bartgis

Children's Message: Earl Bartgis

Children's Church: Colleen Street

Altar Guild: Joan Princler

If you would like to serve as a greeter, or host fellowship time after worship, please add your name to the sign up sheet on the refrigerator in the Good Shepherd Room.