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Thank you for worshiping with us this morning. We extend a special welcome to our guests.

For Children: We have trained nursery staff (paid nursery attendant as well as adult volunteers) for ages 0-4. The nursery is located on the first floor outside of the Community Room. (Accessible by the stairs from the Church Street Entrance or via the elevator). Children ages 5 and above are invited to stay and worship with their families. Children's programs, books, and crayons are located in the rear of the sanctuary near the welcome table.

If you are visiting and did not stop at the welcome desk in the downstairs lobby please stop by after the service they would love to meet you or, please feel free to reach out to someone sitting near you and ask them questions about the service or church. Many of our visitors ask us about the time of offering. This is a time in our service when we respond to God's gifts of love by offering the gifts of our lives. For many of us, this is when we make a financial gift towards the ministries and programs of our church. We also use this time to ask God how we might use the gifts of our hands and hearts in sharing God's love. If you are visiting, there is no obligation to give a financial gift. We are just glad you are worshiping with us. At this time, we are taking offering at the end of the service. Plates for offering will be placed at the doors as you exit the sanctuary. Thank you.

We ask that you please silence your cell phones during our worship service. We also ask that you refrain from applause after our choirs sing and allow the music to resonate in the quiet of the sanctuary and in your hearts. Our musicians are playing and singing for the glory of God. They know you appreciate their efforts and their gift.

Rest rooms (equipped with changing stations) are located on the first floor of the church building and outside the Community Room and the Nursery.

There is much information about the church in this bulletin and our website: www.erucc.org.

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November 6, 2022 Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am

The numbered hymns are from The New Century Hymnal *All who are able may stand

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Chimes Concert at 10:00 am from Trinity Chapel's steeple

Greetings and Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. God calls us to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

In the company of all the saints we cry: Praise God! Salvation, glory, and power belong to our God!

*Opening Prayer

God of all ages: we thank you for the faithful witness of your apostles, prophets, and martyrs throughout the history of your church and throughout the world even today.

Through their witness we see and hear your truth. We bless you for all who bless your name through their writing, speaking, art, and music. Through their work we glimpse your beauty.

We praise you for all who serve you without recognition or honor, offering encouragement to the lonely, the sick, and the fearful. Through their lives we see your faithfulness and sense your comfort.

Now we pray that you will use even us to reflect the glory we see in Christ. May the voices of all your saints, made holy in Christ, swell in joyous praise to you, the giver of all good gifts, through Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

*Opening Hymn For All The Saints see end of bulletin

#299 stanzas 1, 2, 3

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. Forgive our indifference to your will. You have commanded us to speak, but we have been silent. Have mercy on us, your faithful servants. Keep before us faithful for us to follow so that, living with courage and love, we may inherit the kingdom promised in Jesus Christ, and reign with him forever. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Thought for the Day

The Lord's Prayer

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, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Children of all ages are invited to participate in the service today, including in the Sacrament of Communion. A book nook with children's programs, books, crayons, and activities is in the rear of the sanctuary near the welcome table and a wiggle space is available in the front of the sanctuary near the baptismal font.

Junior Church for children ages 5 through 5^{th} grade will resume next week.

The Scripture

2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-17 OT page 577 Luke 20: 27-38 NT page 78

Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Morning Prayers

Offering of Tithes, Gifts and Lives to Christ's Service

Offertory Come to Me

- D. Forrest Senior Choir David Howard, cello

Litany for All Saints Day

All Saints Day gives us an opportunity to celebrate and remember those in our community who have gone before us.

Their presence in our community has shaped our work, life, character, and story.

We remember those whose faithful witness proclaims the gospel and commandments of Jesus Christ in words loud and soft, in actions great and small.

We gather before you, God, and remember the saints who have told your stories of your people and witnessed to their faith in times gone by.

Indeed, we remember those who died in the past year: (a bell will chime for each one mentioned)

For all their gifts, great and small, we give thanks. Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever. Amen!

Following this time of remembrance, you are invited to come forward and light a candle as you remember a loved one this day. Candles can be lit from the Christ candle in the middle of the table. It has been said that it is better to light one candle than it is to curse the darkness. Yet a candle burning in the night can bring us comfort, peace and even hope. May the light of the candles remind us that even though our loved ones are no longer present with us in body, the life of their spirit has not been extinguished.

- SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION -

The Lord be with you in your joy and your sorrow.

And also with you.

Though sometimes they be heavy, lift up your hearts to God.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God, for God is always present.

It is right to give our thanks and praise!

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, almighty God, creator of heaven and earth,

Breaking of the Bread and Lifting of the Cup

Gathered with his friends, Jesus took bread, broke it and said:

"This is my body, broken for you. Take and eat."

And pouring the wine:

"This is my blood, spilled out for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

God of all, send your Spirit to this place so that those gathered here, in this sacred moment, may know your presence.

As we eat the bread and drink of the cup, make us one with the saints, and with our sisters and brothers in faith around the world.

Be with us God, not only here but in every moment of our lives.

Help us to know you,

To be guided by the Holy Spirit,

And to live Christ. Now and forever. Amen.

Call to the Feast

This is the feast prepared for you.

Come and share for all is ready.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

All who desire the Sacrament, including children, are invited to come forward at the direction of the deacons. You may kneel or stand to receive the elements. Consume the bread and drink from the cup as it is given to you, and hand your empty cup to one of the ushers.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Spirit of Christ, stay with us where we stay, as familiar as our daily bread. Go with us where we go, full of love as the cup that has touched our lips. May we, your eager and sometimes awkward saints, carry in us a communion from which all can share – comfort for loss, courage for speaking, compassion for healing. We give you thanks for both the shelter and the road. Amen

*Closing Hymn For All The Saints see end of bulletin

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stanzas 1, 4, 5

*Benediction

And I now I pray blessings on our feasting:

the feast of life

the feast of love

the feast of grace

the feast of mercy

the feast of grief

and the feast of acceptance

the feast of letting go

and the feast that is moving forward.

And know that God goes with us, Christ walks beside us, and the Spirit lives within us—now and always. Amen!

*Sevenfold Amen

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Postlude (please be seated)

Today's liturgy has been adapted from Worship Design Studio, the UCC Book of Worship, and Seasons of the Spirit. The Prayer of Thanksgiving is from Seasons of the Spirit, 2021.



We Remember

Albertine (Tina) Baker Patricia (Trish) Carey Peggy Yost Edward Higinbotham Sr. Michael Rhoads Sally Hodges

The flowers on the altar are in loving memory of Dorothy D. and E. Earl Remsberg and Emory E. Remsberg Jr. by Tom and Rachel Ford and Mary Remsberg.

The yellow rose bud is presented by Peter Brehm and Jack Day.

The red rose bud is presented in celebration of the births of Jameson David Burns and Mark Curtis Emory Creel, great grandsons of Rachel and Tom Ford.

Attendance Last Sunday: 20 at 8:30 am, 152 at 10:30 am, and 56 online.



Watch worship live every Sunday at 10:30 am https://sundaystreams.com/go/ERUCC



Next Week: November 13, 2022



Want to listen to the sermon again?

Visit our YouTube channel: bit.ly/erucc youtube

Today: November 6, 2022

Scripture Reader: Rev. Kirstin Shrom-Rhoads Jim Weitz

Mark Ulrich, Darryl Glick Chuck Baldree, Matt Pomeroy Deacons:

Starr Schaeberle Laura Rhoderick Elder:

Danielle Carbone, Sandy Gray Cathie Duncan, Eliza Stitely Greeters:

> Sue Pinner Anne Hoffmann

Jeanellen Kallevang Pat Condo Welcome:

Kelly Esslinger, Jeff Schaeberle Audio/Visual: Jeff Schaeberle, Larry Martin Jeff Baker

Kendra Sampson

Starr Schaeberle, Julie Clark Starr Schaeberle Fellowship: Dick Williams

Saturday Chimer: Nancy Doll

Robin and David Cooney Kelly Esslinger Sunday Chimer:

FELLOWSHIP

Please join us for fellowship in the Community Room after worship to chat with friends, welcome our visitors, and enjoy a time of refreshment.

The Community Room, located on the 1st floor, is accessible by stairs or elevator.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Next Week:

God is creating new heaven and new earth, a reign of harmony and wholeness for all creation. The prophet Isaiah foresees a day in Isaiah 65: 17-25 when there shall be peace and rejoicing for the whole world. Jesus warns his disciples in Luke 21: 5-19 against idle speculation about the future. We do not know exactly what the future holds, but we live with confidence in the present age because we know that God holds the future.

Spirit will be singing. Pastor Kirstin will be preaching.

HOSPITAL AND PRAYER LIST

Your pastor wants to be available when members of ERUCC are in the hospital. Please let us know so that we can visit with you and your family and provide support. We always ask permission before adding a name to be included in the prayer list or in the verbal announcements on a Sunday morning. There are many for whom we pray and visit whose names are not listed in the bulletin by their request.

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Marcia Eisenstein, Bob Shafer, Lucas Putnam Conway, Joyce Kallevang (sister-in-law of Jeanellen Kallevang), Derek C. Hupp (grandson of Beanie and Gaylon Cornell), Barbara Rhoads, Barbara and Wayne Kolb (friends of Stefan and Judi Mach and Tony and Linda LaFianza), John Ewing (grandfather of Tyler York), Conway Barnes (brother-in-law of George and Linda Kline), Mary Ellen Baker, Pat Hevner, Jeannette Johnson, Starr Schaeberle, Jackie Keyser (sister-in-law of Betsy and Phil Selby), Tamara Tamas, Barbara Lee Crutchley (sister of Milt Crutchley), Marcy Channell (daughter of JoAnn Fritz), Paige Coffey, Jane Doll, Peggy Githerman, Emogene Wyand, Fran Wenner, Neremiah Castillo (niece of Andrew Beadle), Bonnie Devilbiss, The McCarty family, Tina Prescott (daughter in law of Barbara and Bill Prescott), Mary Remsberg, Heleen (sister of Karin Mens), Kathy Blue Shores (friend of Jean Fish and Barb Biser), Gretchen Manuel (niece of Audrey Rayfield), Ann and Cal Theiss (parents of Katharine Alley), Debra Reedy (friend of Jean Fish and Barb Biser).

Peggy Githerman 208 Center St Frederick MD 21701 Mary Ellen Baker 634 Schley Ave Frederick MD 21702 Derek C. Hupp 11 Robyn Dr Newville PA 17241

LORD, LISTEN TO YOUR CHILDREN PRAYING

Sunday Education Opportunities for Adults

LET'S STUDY THE BIBLE with The Reverends John & Rebecca Shillingburg

North Room / Zoom

9:00 - 10:20 am

Zoom: **bit.ly/3QSB77N** Meeting ID: 833 1890 5798 Pa

Passcode: 891524

He told them a parable... Whenever we hear this in a reading from the gospels, be prepared to **DUCK!** While they may appear to be simple stories telling a moral, there's often a lot more going on in the parables. And Jesus' real meaning may be at odds with the simple moral we have heard so many times. Join us as we delve into these enigmatic stories told by Jesus ... stories that often left even the disciples scratching their heads in confusion.

LET'S TALK

Community Room

9:30 - 10:15 am

Today: Let's Talk! No really, let's talk! It's pancake breakfast day! What a perfect way to reconnect with church friends and support the youth group. Buy some pancakes and then sit and chat. See you there!

Next Week: Congregational Profile and Reflection: Marc Kline and Richard Leslie will share a draft congregational profile that identifies how we see ourselves, what we think our strengths and weaknesses are and what our vision is for the future. The elders and consistory created the draft, but it's a work in progress. Your voices and insights are needed for it to be truly reflective of who we are. Come join the discussion!

Weekly Education Opportunities for Adults

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY with The Rev. Barbara Kershner Daniel

Faithful and True: A Study Guide to the Book of Revelation

Tuesdays, October 11 – November 22 North Room / Zoom 11:00 am – Noon

Zoom: bit.ly/3TdUnOy Meeting ID: 875 1423 3398 Passcode: 973365

"What in the world are we to make of the dizzying array of grand and grotesque images 'revealed' to an early Christ-follower named John? Enter the expert scholar-teacher Greg Carey as the perfect docent through Revelation's stunning gallery. Carey orients us to a 'faithful and true' focus on the 'faithful and true' Christ - a vital corrective to fanciful and false readings of Revelation that remain wildly popular." (F. Scott Spencer, author of Salty Wives, Spirited Mothers, and Savvy Widows).

What should modern readers make of the wildly fantastical Revelation to John? New Testament scholar Greg Carey offers an accessible guide to the daunting Book of Revelation, inviting us not to decode every symbol or tame every dragon, but rather to engage the urgent questions of power and loyalty.

This Week at ERUCC

ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, November 6

Community Room

8:00 – 10:30 am



The ERUCC youth have several exciting opportunities to participate in mission trips and other service-related projects. Participating in these trips and activities can be expensive and we would love your support! Please join us for an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast fundraiser on Sunday, November 6 from 8:00 to 10:30 am in the Community Room. The youth will be serving pancakes

with toppings, bacon, sausage, and beverages. The prices are \$7 for adults/youth and \$4 for children 8 and under. Children 2 and under are free. The ERUCC youth thank you for your continued support!

SPECIAL GIVING OPPORTUNITY TODAY

On the first Sunday of each month, we have a special opportunity for giving towards Mortgage Assistance. Donations fund ERUCC's mortgages with the Fisher Fund and FCB Bank, a division of ACNB Bank, payments on which are about \$153,000 per year.

TUESDAYS WITH TED

Tuesday, November 8

Zoom: bit.ly/3erWnj1



Zoom

Meeting ID: 923 9891 8264

6:00 – 7:00 pm

Passcode: 313735

Join a group on Zoom hosted by Pastor Daniel to listen to and discuss the TED Talk, **Grit: the power of passion and perseverance** by Angela Lee Duckworth.

Leaving a high-flying job in consulting, Angela Lee Duckworth took a job teaching math to seventh graders in a New York public school. She quickly realized that IQ wasn't the only thing separating the successful students from those who struggled. Here, she explains her theory of "grit" as a predictor of success.

CHIMES LEARNING AND SERVICE GROUP

Thursday, November 10

North Room

11:00 am



At this meeting of the Chimes Group, our speaker will be Shari Scher, Founder and Executive Director of the organization, Children of Incarcerated Parents Partnership (COIPP). The organization was founded to help a special group of children in Frederick County. COIPP believes that children of incarcerated parents are a group of children who lack a voice of their own. Their mission is

to give them such a voice in the community, in the schools, and in their family.

KENTUCKY MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITY

An Opportunity to Provide Support



ERUCC members and friends: Keith Stickley, Pastor Daniel, Larry Martin, Sedonia Martin, Sandy Gray, Kate McDermott, Shawn Mumma, and Del Spurrier, will be traveling to Kentucky to work with Fuller Center

Disaster ReBuilders, a 501(c)(3) Christian organization dedicated to serving the victims of major disasters in the United States. The group was formed in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina in 2005 and has supported rebuilding after all the major hurricanes since. Their client homeowners are low-income and underinsured. The Fuller Center uses volunteers to make rebuilding more affordable and is financed from donations and grants.

Donations are still welcome! If you wish to provide support for the trip for van rentals, gas, groceries, or building supplies, you are invited to share a gift with ERUCC or purchase a Lowe's or Home Depot gift card. Please mark your donation, "Kentucky trip."

Sign up to donate needed groceries: bit.ly/Kentucky_food

Many thanks for your prayers and support as we help our neighbors in Dawson Springs and Bremen, KY.



Upcoming at ERUCC

TRINITY CHAPEL RESTORATION UPDATE

Sunday, November 13 Community Room / Zoom

11:30 am

Zoom: **bit.ly/TC13Nov** Meeting ID: 857 7622 3982 Passcode: 706555



The necessary scope of work on the Trinity Chapel restoration project is more extensive than originally planned due to limitations imposed on us by the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC). Our original proposal did not meet their requirements. Because of the added cost resulting from this ruling and the prior suggestion at our public meeting that we completely reshingle the spire, we now have a decision to make.

Please join us on Sunday, November 13 following service in the Community Room or by Zoom to review the current scope of work needed

and the options before us. This important discussion will inform the Property Committee's formal proposal to the congregation, which will be presented at the congregational meeting in December.

GREETERS MEETING Sunday, November 20

Community Room

during Fellowship

Get some coffee, tea, and refreshments and join Pastor Barbara and Sue Pinner for a meeting of the Greeters Team. If you would like to join our team, you are welcome!

ADVENT SOUP LUNCHEONS

Each week during the season of Advent, a group gathers for prayer followed by a simple soup and bread lunch, and some reflection. We are looking for some people willing to make soup for the following Wednesdays: November 30, December 7, 14, and 21.

Even if you are unable to attend, you can still make some soup that we can freeze and heat up or you can drop off at church in the morning. Your gift of cooking is much appreciated.

Please email Susan Kulp at **smkulp@earthlink.net** or call the church office at **(301)** 662-2762 if you can provide this gift. Thank you!

BE A BLESSING PRACTICE PEACE.

BE JOYFUL. PRAY OFTEN. BE KIND. GIVE THANKS.

DO 600D. HAVE COURAGE. WORK FOR JUSTICE.

BE THE LIGHT ENCOURAGE OTHERS.

OFFERSHURCH

Youth Group

PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

Sunday, November 6

Community Room



Thanks to parents Joe Adkins and Marc Kline for helping to plan and organize this fundraising effort for our spring and summer trips.

SUPPER AND PACKING CARE PACKAGES God's Kids Club and Youth Group Sunday, November 20 Community Room 5:00 – 6:30 pm

See details in Children and Family Ministry announcements.

DRESS-UP CHRISTMAS DINNER

Sunday, December 4

Community Room

6:00 - 7:30 pm

Put on your finest and come for a special dinner. Renae Kline is organizing this evening on behalf of the parents.

Children and Family Ministry

GOD'S KIDS CLUB

Tuesday, November 8

Community Room

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

School aged kids are welcome to spend the day learning about bats, playing with pumpkins, and baking cookies! Create "Batty" characters and stories and vote on which Bat is Best! Middle and High School students are welcome as participants and help as leadership.

Sign up in the Community Room during Fellowship or email Pastor Kirstin, ksrhoads@erucc.org.

KIDS' CREATION CARE CLUB – POTOMAC RIVER CLEANUP AT C&O CANAL Saturday, November 12 Canal Rd, Point of Rocks, MD, 21777 9:00 – 11:00 am



Join Potomac Conservancy for a safe, fun trash cleanup at C&O Canal. Make a huge difference for the Potomac River as we turn to the water for a safe, healthy place to recreate outdoors. You must sign up for one of 50 spots available. Once registered, you will receive important details regarding our updated safety what you should bring to the event. Special thanks to Abby and to Linda for

protocols and what you should bring to the event. Special thanks to Abby and to Linda for helping this be our first event for the new Kids' Creation Care Club!

Register: bit.ly/3DtkUl8

SUPPER AND PACKING CARE PACKAGES God's Kids Club and Youth Group Sunday, November 20 Community Room 5:00 – 6:30 pm

We will share supper and pack care packages for our college students and those serving in the military. Members and friends of ERUCC are invited to share donations to put in the care packages such as prepackaged snacks, instant soup, popcorn, cocoa, tea, candy and raisins. Leftover Halloween candy is also a great donation! Donations can be put in the box in the entrances to both the chapel and main building.

Monetary donations welcome and will be used to defray the cost of postage. Cash and checks can be placed in the offering plate and dropped off at the church office. You can also give online at erucc.org. Please mark your donation, "care packages."

Questions: contact Pastor Daniel at bkdaniel@erucc.org.

In search of addresses: We need current addresses for all our young adults between the ages of 18 to 25 years old. Addresses can be emailed to the church office at **erucc@erucc.org**.

SAFE CHURCH TRAINING

Volunteers & Staff Working with Children & Youth

Adults and teen volunteers (7th grade or above) who will be working with children and/or youth should plan to attend one of three training sessions:

Saturday, December 3	9:00-11:00 am	Liz Coffey Room
Monday, December 5	6:00 - 8:00 pm	Community Room
Sunday, December 11	4:00-6:00 pm	Zoom

JUNIOR CHURCH

On all Sundays except the first Sunday of each month, children aged $5-5^{th}$ grade may go to Junior Church after the Thought for the Day. Junior Church, a space to join in creative spiritual formation activities, will take place in the Thomas Room beginning November 13. Parents should pick up children from Junior Church following service.

Volunteer leaders needed! Contact Pastor Kirstin for more information and to express interest.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY FORM

Families, please complete a Children's Ministry Participation and Release Form as soon as possible! Forms are available in Sunday School classrooms, with Pastor Kirstin or can be easily completed online at bit.ly/Childrens_Form22.

Additional Announcements

ERUCC HISTORY BOOK AVAILABLE



To commemorate the 275th Anniversary of ERUCC, the history book *Unto Us* has been updated to reflect our church history through 2020. The 8x11 hard backed history book, with color photo sections is available through the church office or on Sunday mornings.

Thanks to a generous donor, the cost of the book for purchase is \$20 per book.

If you are interested in purchasing a book, please call the church at (301) 662-2762 or email the church at **erucc@erucc.org**. We have plenty available for Christmas gift giving.

CALVARY UMC HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Saturday, November 12

131 W. 2nd Street, Frederick 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

The Holiday Bazaar at Calvary is back after a two-year hiatus! At the bazaar, find wreaths, ornaments, holiday decorations, vendors offering a wide variety of arts and crafts, and a special silent auction. Live music will entertain you in the Fellowship Hall bistro where lunch is available. Proceeds from the Holiday Bazaar will benefit local charities including The Food Bank, Heartly House, and the Frederick Rescue Mission.

COMMUNITY DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE HUNGRY AND HOMELESS Sunday, November 13 100 S. Market Street 6:45 – 8:00 pm

Join Frederick Interfaith for the annual Interfaith Prayer Walk for the Hungry and Homeless through downtown Frederick. The walk will begin and end at the Community Table, located at the Frederick Community Action Agency, 100 S. Market Street.

For more information, contact frederickinterfaith@gmail.com.

DAY TRIP TO NYC WITH GRACE UCC

Wednesday, November 30

Join Grace UCC for a bus trip to New York City on Wednesday, November 30. Cost is \$60/person. Drop off and pick up in NYC with the day on your own to see a Broadway matinee, visit the Rockefeller Center Christmas tree or just enjoy the holiday season in the city! For more information or to register call (301) 662-3312 or email admin@grucc.com

Opportunities to Use Your Gifts at ERUCC

WE CREATE - A CALL TO ALL ARTISTS AND MAKERS



We are made in God's image, and God is a creator. We say that, and we claim that.

During the month of November and throughout the Advent season, the Worship Design Committee would like to feature creative work done by members of the congregation. Do you paint, draw, knit, do counted cross-stitch or embroidery, do photography, quilt, do macrame, create ceramic or wooden wall pieces? What kind of "making" brings you joy?

The show will hang in the hallway outside the Liz Coffey Room and the Marj Berkheimer Music Suite. All work that is ready to hang is welcome. Work by children does not have to be framed.

DEADLINE EXTENDED. Please drop off work in the Thomas Room by **November 6**. There you will find a form to fill out to identify the piece and give us a little information about you. One piece per person, please.

FELLOWSHIP

Consider helping with Fellowship! Helping with fellowship can be as easy as helping set up before worship, helping to serve during Fellowship after service, or bringing a special treat to share.

Contact Laura Rhoderick or Starr Schaeberle or sign up to share your gifts of hospitality at bit.ly/ERUCC fellowship.

AUDIO/VISUAL TEAM

We are looking for volunteers to join our AV team. No special skills or experience is required. We rotate duty Sundays so you don't need to be there every Sunday. We each typically work about 2 Sundays each month. Schedules are set 3 months at a time, and we work together to cover shifts when someone's plans change. There are three people there each Sunday so you will always be with someone experienced. We will provide training on both audio and video consoles. If you are interested, please contact Jeff Schaeberle, jeff@erucc.org. You are also welcome to come up to the balcony on any Sunday to observe and learn more.



Sunday Morning Schedule

8:30 – 9:15 am	Worship, Trinity Chapel	
9:30 am – 12:00 pm	Nursery Care, Main Building	
9:30 – 10:15 am	Adult Education , Main Building Let's Talk (9:30 am) and Let's Study the Bible (9:00 am)	
9:30 – 10:10 am	Children's Sunday School , Trinity Chapel Ages $3 - 2^{nd}$ Grade, $3^{rd} - 6^{th}$ Grade, Confirmation Class	
10:10 – 10:25 am	Children's Music & Movement, Trinity Chapel Pre-K through high school	
10:30 – 11:30 am	Worship, Main Sanctuary	
11:30 am	Fellowship, Community Room	
11:30 am – 12:00 pm	Cambridge Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Flora Room Pre-K through high school	

STAY INFORMED



Read our Trinity Chimes monthly newsletter for more information about ERUCC activities, opportunities, and updates. You can find the Trinity Chimes in the back of the sanctuary and online at **bit.ly/Nov22Chimes**.

If you have an announcement for the bulletin, Thursday Thoughts, or Trinity Chimes, please send to erucc@erucc.org. Submissions for Trinity Chimes must be received by the 15th to be considered for inclusion.

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of this congregation, seek to celebrate in word and deed the gospel of Jesus Christ, by nurturing spiritual growth through worship, study and prayer; by caring for one another as God cares for us; and by proclaiming God's love for all people as we work to help our neighbors near and far. We commit ourselves to develop and implement specific programs to fulfill our mission.





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William W. How, 1864; alt. Heb. 12:1 who from their la - bors rest, who the all the saints For their ref - uge, and their might: you, Christ, the You were their rock, the Still may your peo ple, faith - ful, true, and bold, live as of wit - ness - es di - vine. fee - bly we 4 Ringed by this cloud And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, steals on the Je 0 world their stead-fast faith con-fessed, your name, sus, 'mid gloom doubt, and you hope that put their fears to flight; and share with them saints who no - bly fought of old, a they in glo-ry love shine; in your yet our strug - gle, brave dis - tant tri - umph song, then hearts are a the ear for - ev - er blessed. be were their one light. true le-lu - ia! ia! Al glo-rious crown of gold. Al le - lu faith-ful lives en - twine. gain, and faith grows strong.

Poinsettias



I would like to place

We will be ordering poinsettias from Frederick High School this year. All funds will benefit the horticultural program and Frederick High FFA Chapter. Each plant will have 4-6 blooms and will cost \$10. Plants will be placed in the Main Sanctuary and Trinity Chapel.

To order, please fill out the form and return with payment to the Church Office by December 1.

Plants can be picked up after the Christmas Eve Services, however, we would appreciate having some left in our buildings for the Candlelight Historic Houses of Worship Tour on Monday, December 26.

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Enclosed is \$ (\$10 per plant).
If you wish for your poinsettias to be listed in memory of, in honor of, or placed by the donor, please indicate which and PRINT the names below.
In memory of:
In honor of:
Placed by:
Donor Name:

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 6, 2022

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Hold on to Faith

It's been almost a week since we celebrated Halloween. You might know Halloween as a day for trick-or-treating, costumes and kids' parties. But did you know that it started as a holy day? In fact, the root word of Halloween (hallow) means holy. The ending of the word, "een" is short for "evening." Halloween is the eve of the Christian holiday of All Saints Day.

Traditionally, Halloween was the day to defy death, to shout to evil, "Our God is greater and we are not afraid of you!" Centuries ago, Celtic people gathered on this day around bonfires, wore costumes and enacted battles between forces of good and evil. Some of the rituals we still follow today, like scary costumes and jack-o-lanterns, continue that tradition.

All Saints Day, officially on November 1 but often celebrated in United Church of Christ congregations on the first Sunday in November, is a day to remember and honor saintly people in the past. On this day, we might recall those people in our congregation, family or wider church community who have had an impact on the world in God's name. The following day, November 2, is officially All Souls Day. On this day, we honor everyone who has passed away, especially those who lived ordinary lives which did not garner recognition like the Saints. Many churches combine All Saints and All Souls celebrations as a reminder that God welcomes all into the tender arms of love and mercy in the life that is to come.

However you celebrated this week, or continued in your worship today, this week is a powerful one that can in many ways mirror the entire Christian journey. Beginning with the ancient rituals of Halloween, you have had the chance to look death in the face and proclaim that you are not afraid, because you know that the eternal life God promises is stronger than death. Then, on all Saints Day, you recognize the power of those whose connection to God is especially visible. Finally, on All Souls Day, you celebrate a God whose love encompasses all, now and into eternity. Thanks be to God!

