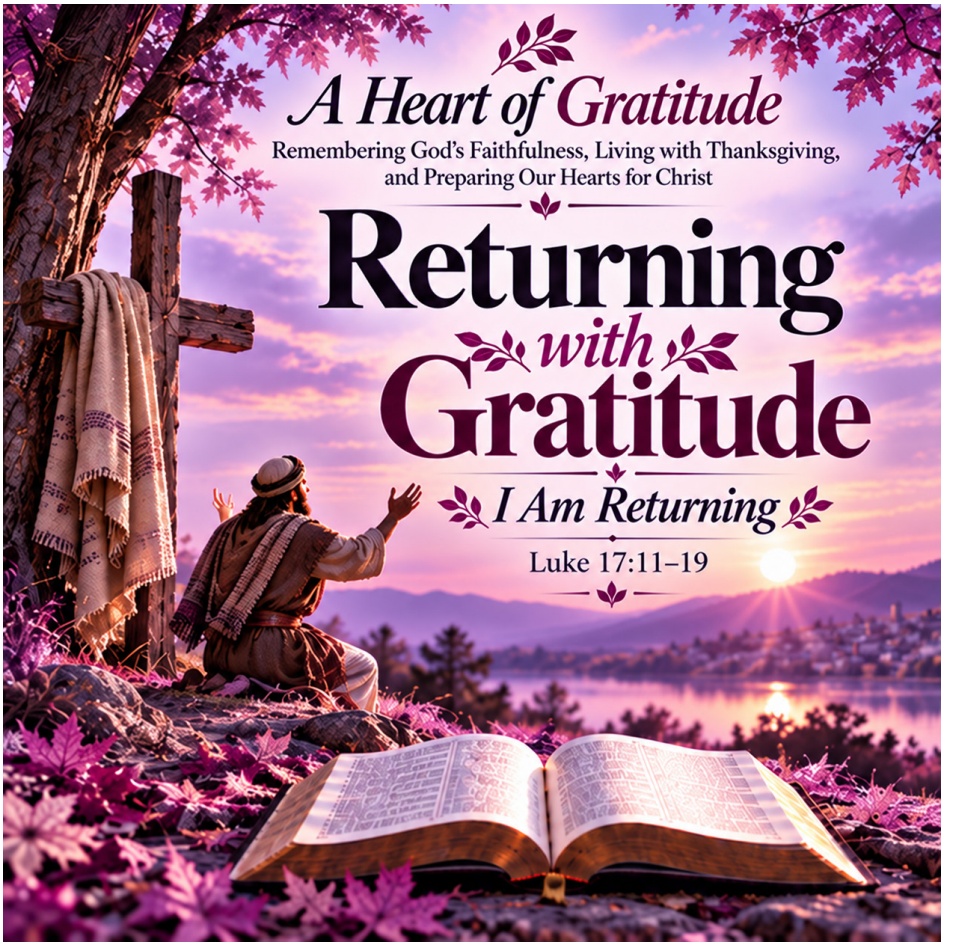
Community Presbyterian Church

open hearted, open minded



November 15, 2026

Welcome to worship this morning!

Bulletin Cues: **Bold** indicates congregational response, * indicates please stand, if able
An offering plate is placed near the door to the church to receive your offerings.

PRELUDE

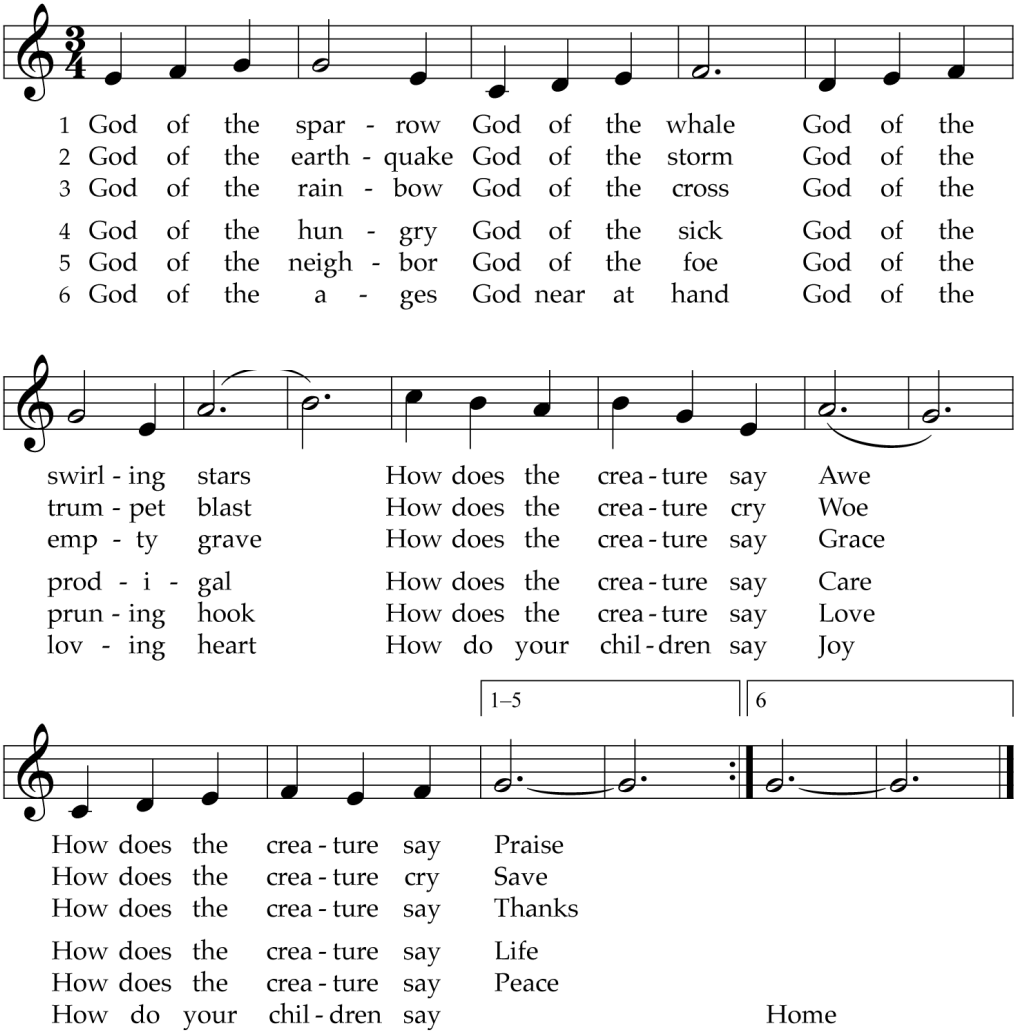
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Ten cried out for mercy, and Jesus saw their need.
Christ, have mercy on us and make us whole.
One returned, praising God with a loud voice.
We come back to the Giver of every good gift.
Our gratitude begins with the grace of Jesus Christ.
May our thanksgiving become worship and faithful living.
Let us say together:
I AM RETURNING WITH GRATITUDE. Let us worship God!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Merciful Jesus, you heard the cries of those who needed healing and welcomed the outsider who returned to give thanks. We praise you for compassion that crosses boundaries and mercy that restores dignity. Awaken us to blessings we overlook, and teach us to praise you not only when our requests are answered but in every season of life. **Amen.**

*OPENING HYMN GTG 22 God of the Sparrow



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CONFESSION AND PARDON

We receive much from God, yet too often hurry onward without giving thanks.

Trusting the mercy of Jesus, let us confess our sins.
Gracious Christ, we confess that we are quick to ask and slow to thank.
We receive kindness without noticing, take loved ones for granted,
and sometimes overlook people whom society pushes aside.
Like those who did not return, we can forget the One who meets us with mercy.
Forgive us.
Turn our hearts toward gratitude, open our eyes to your grace,
and let our thanksgiving lead us to compassion and praise. Amen.

Hear the good news:

Jesus welcomes those who come in faith and sends them forward in peace.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and restored. Thanks be to God!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord Jesus, as we hear of the Samaritan who returned, awaken our attention to your mercy. Give us eyes to notice grace and hearts ready to respond in praise, humility, and compassion. **Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC — *Bless Us Now This Day* by Douglas E. Wagner — CPC Choir

SCRIPTURE READING — Luke 17:11–19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Keep these words in your heart. The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *I Am Returning with Gratitude* Pastor Paul
Where Are the Other Nine?

Ten cried out for mercy,
You healed them on the way.
But only one returned with worship
He came to thank You on that day.

Jesus, You restore the broken,
Yet many turn away.
Let me be the one returning,
Giving thanks to You each day.
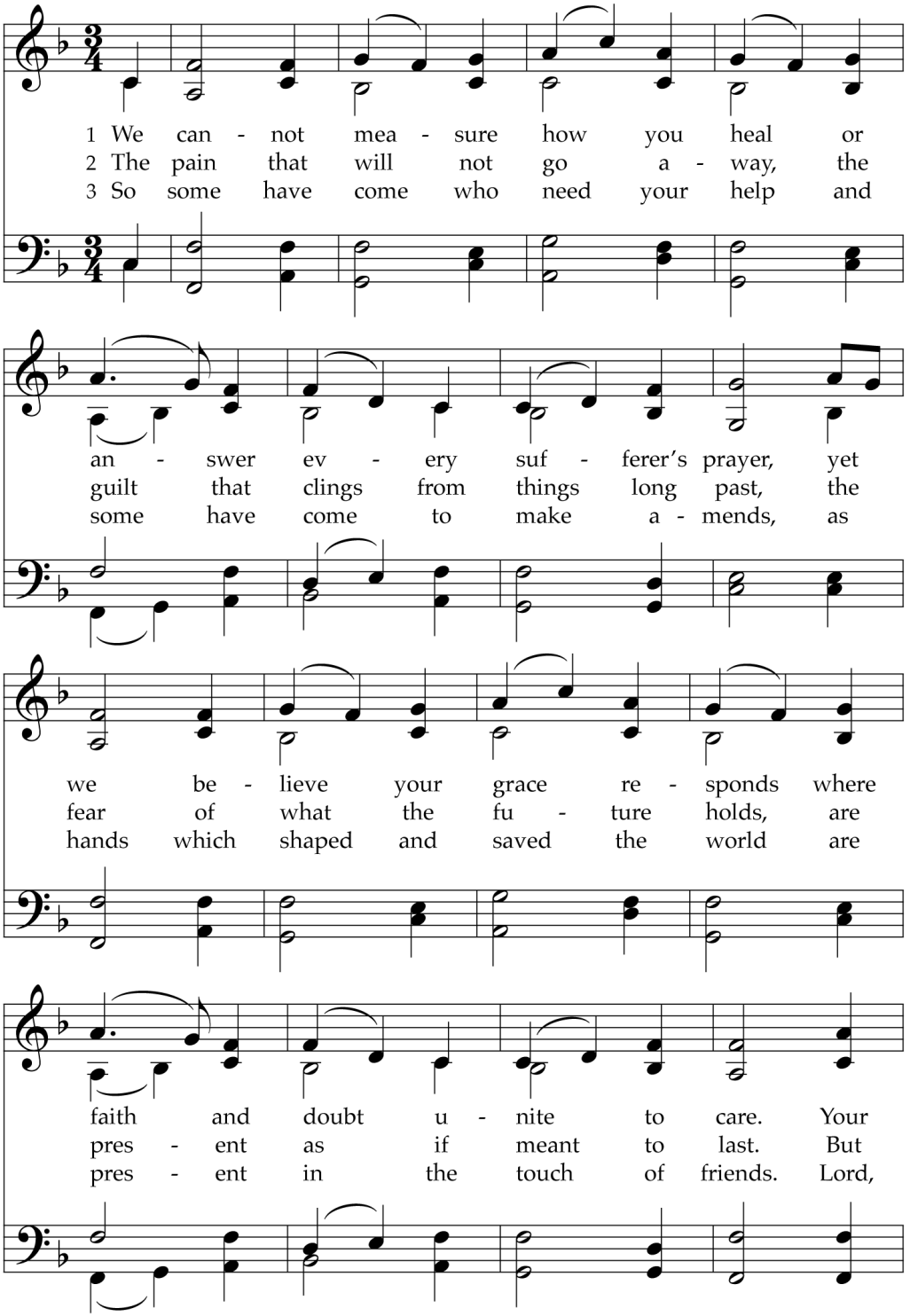
Where are the other nine, Lord?
Why did their praises fade?
I will be the one returning
A grateful heart that You have made.
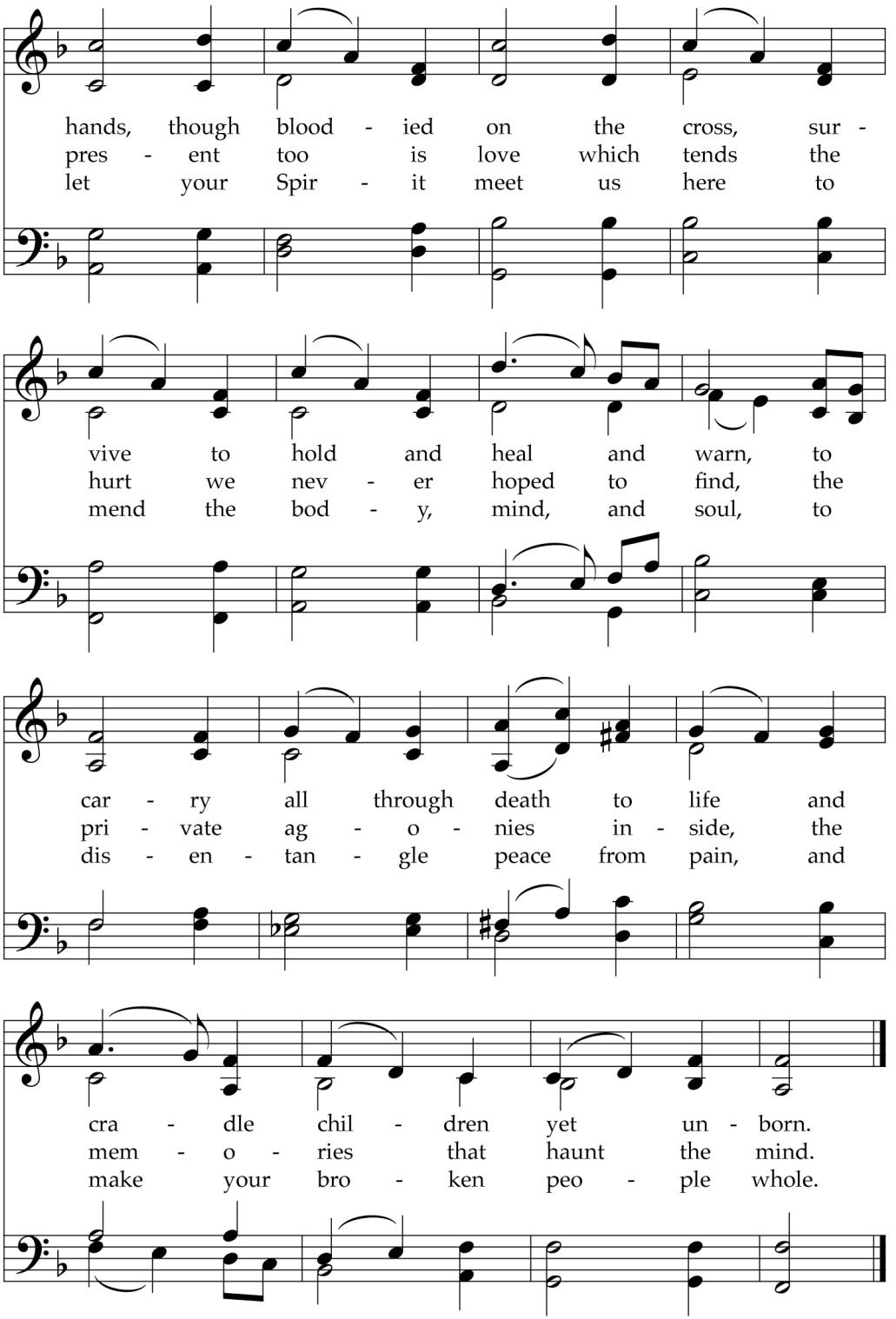
He was a stranger from far places,
Yet he came back to seek Your face.
While all the others kept on walking
He chose to return to Your grace.

Let my praise rise higher
Than every fear inside.
I will run back to my Savior
I won't be one of the nine.

I return to You, Jesus.
My heart to You belongs.
Thank You for Your mercy
You're the healer of my soul.

*HYMN OF THE DAY GTG 797 We Cannot Measure How You Heal


1 We can - not mea - sure how you heal or
2 The pain that will not go a - way, the
3 So some have come who need your help and
an - swer ev - ery suf - ferer's prayer, yet
guilt that clings from things long past, the
some have come to make a - mends, as
we be - lieve your grace re - sponds where
fear of what the fu - ture holds, are
hands which shaped and saved the world are
faith and doubt u - nite to care. Your
pres - ent as if meant to last. But
pres - ent in the touch of friends. Lord,



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INVITATION TO CONGREGATIONAL JOYS AND CONCERNS
Christ receives both our gratitude and our need. Let us share our joys, answered prayers, and concerns with one another. After each sharing: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING
Like the one who returned to Jesus, we come back with thanks. Let our offering express the praise of our hearts and our desire to share Christ's mercy.

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen
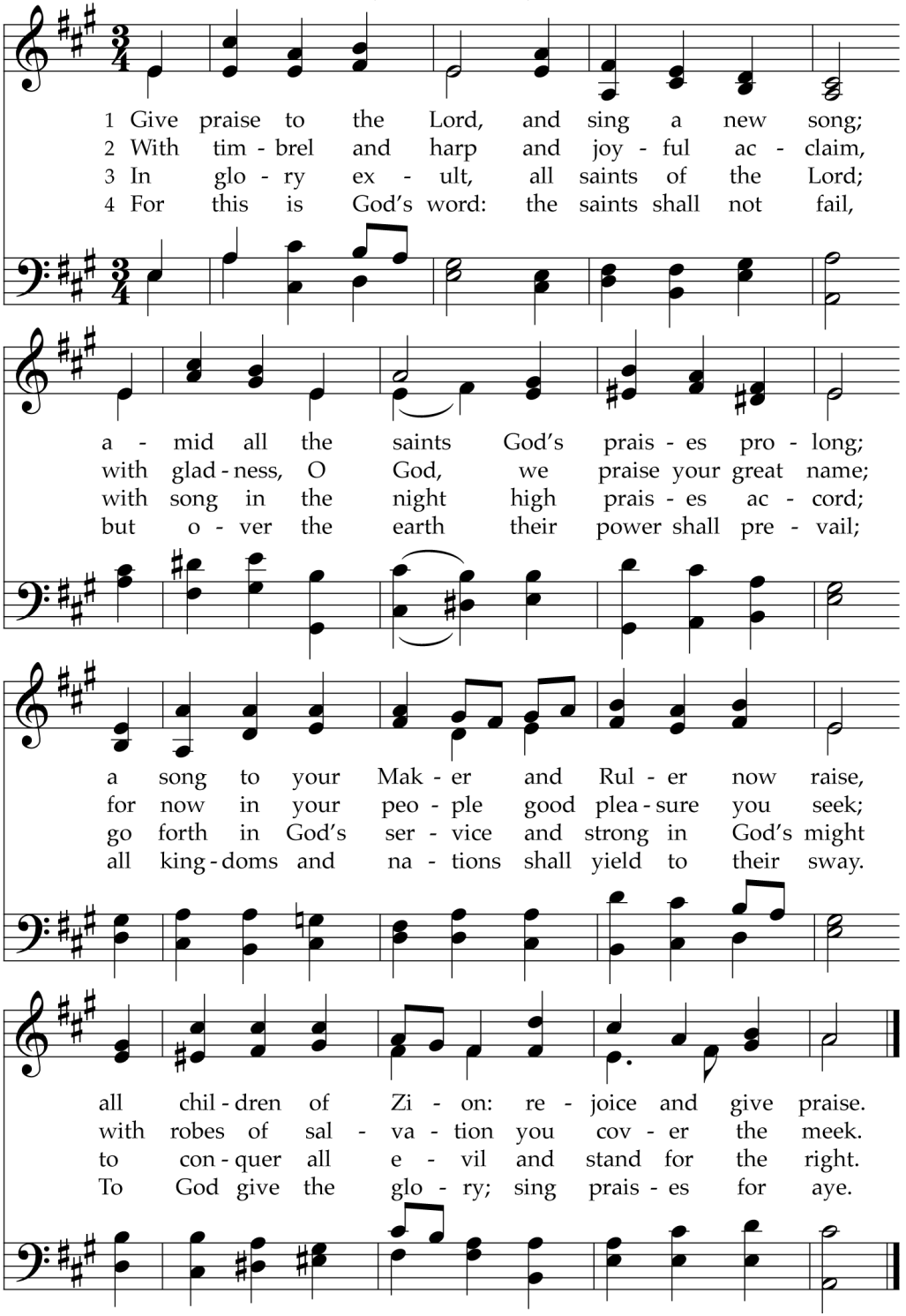
PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Merciful Christ, receive these gifts of gratitude. Use them to welcome strangers, relieve suffering, strengthen friendship, and proclaim your healing love. Shape our whole lives into thankful praise. **Amen.**

*CLOSING HYMN GTG 550 Give Praise to the Lord

*BENEDICTION
Go and notice the gifts of grace around you.
Return to Christ with praise and carry his mercy to others.
I AM RETURNING WITH GRATITUDE.

May the love of God, the peace of Christ,
and the power of the Holy Spirit go with you. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE



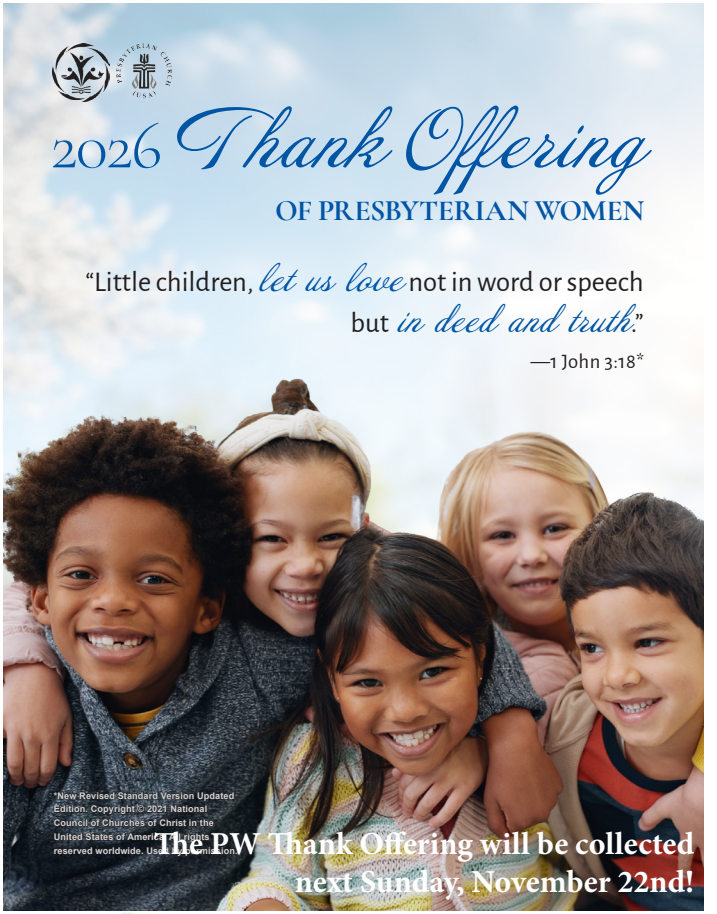
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Faith

Special
CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING

Congregational Meeting
Sunday, November 22,
following worship
For the purpose of electing elders and deacons.
Plan to attend!





Greening of the Church
Sunday, November 29th
after worship!

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Sunday, November 15
11:00 am Worship - Onsite and Online

This week:
Tuesday, November 17
9:00 am Bulletin Items Due
9:30 am PW "Extra" Bible Study
https://meet.google.com/wpx-tsra-ppg
Or dial: (US) +1 316-416-2584
PIN: 239 113 939#

7:00 pm Great Room Use: Mission Aid Net.

Wednesday, November 18
8:00 am Prayer Group
6:30 pm CPC Choir Rehearsal

Friday, November 20
12:00 pm Newsletter Items Due

Sunday, November 22 PW Thank Offering
11:00 am Worship - Onsite and Online
12:00 pm Congregational Meeting

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Judy Leal
Jane and Ed Burgstaler and family
Sherrie Wilson
Jennifer Taylor
Kristy Giere
Sue Chipman

To be added to the prayer list, please contact the office: 507-280-9291 or via email: office@cpcrochester.org.

In Worship Today

Preacher	Rev. Paul Banchasawan
Liturgist	Amanda Ross
Special Music	CPC Choir
IT Support	Louis Bouchard & Bruce Felger

Church Staff

Pastor	Rev. Paul Banchasawan
Music Director	Jennifer Taylor
Pianist	Tianyao Xie
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