

“On this path, let your heart be your guide.”

~ Rumi

* Please stand in body and/or spirit as you are able.

LET US GATHER

PRELUDE *Andante, Allegro from Appalachian Spring Suite* Aaron Copland

WELCOME to ALL!

*No matter who you are or where you are on your life's journey
you are welcome here!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

INTROIT *Simple Gifts* Elder Joseph Brackett

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** *(adapted from the prophecy of Jeremiah 23)*

L: Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold.

P: **I will raise up shepherds over them who will lead them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.**

L: The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and this One shall reign and deal wisely, and shall execute justice in the land!

P: **In those days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’**

LET US PREPARE

***HYMN** *Come, O Thankful People, Come* B 422

INVOCATION AND LORD’S PRAYER (trespasses)

LET US LISTEN

READINGS

Luke 1:68-78 (*Benedictus*)
The Road Less Traveled by Robert Frost

HYMN

We Gather Together R 21

REFLECTION

“The Better Claim”

ANTHEM

For The Fruit Of All Creation F.P. Green

You are invited into a moment of silence for personal reflection.

LET US RESPOND

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Taizé

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.
Wait for the Lord: keep watch, take heart!

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY *Moderato, Prayer from Appalachian Spring Suite* A. Copland

***DOXOLOGY** B 782

To God, all glorious heavenly light, to Christ revealed in earthly night,
To God the Spirit now we raise, our joyful songs of thankful praise. Amen

***PRAYER OF THANKS AND DEDICATION**

LET US GO FORTH

***HYMN** *Now Bless The God of Isreal* B 110

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *Simple Gifts, Andante from Appalachian Spring Suite* A. Copland

Ministers: **The People**
Pastor: **Rev. Steve Miller**
Minister of Music: **Gene Faxon**
Worship Leader: **Jill Tyler**
Greeter: **Karen Cox**
Ushers: **Karen Cox and Annie Gordon**
Setup: **Annie Gordon**
Flowers: **In memory of Daniel Breckenridge**

Church Calendar:

Monday, November 21, 6:30 pm – Jaffrey Scout Troup 33 B/G
Thursday, November 24, Thanksgiving Day

This Week

Steve and Jill will be leaving for California tomorrow to be with three of their sons for the Thanksgiving holiday. They will be back in town by November 29th. If you have any pastoral care concerns while Steve is away, please reach out to our moderator Sam Greene or our Administrator Judy Lessard (please use admin@firstchurchinjaffrey to get in touch with Judy if needed). We have several pastors on-call to help.

Please see inserts for other notices.

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November 20, 2022
Last Sunday (Twenty-Fourth) after Pentecost
Thanksgiving
Reign of Christ



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