

Service of Worship

October 12th, 2025

18th Sunday after Pentecost



First Presbyterian Church of Fort Thomas

David Corfman, Guest Speaker
Spencer Zembrodt, Pianist

Fanfare
Welcome & Announcements
Prelude

The Gathering

*Call to Worship (Psalm 111)

Roger Neff

One: Great are the works of the Lord;

All: They are pondered by all who delight in them.

One: Glorious and majestic are his deeds,

All: And his righteousness endures forever.

One: He has caused his wonders to be remembered;

All: the Lord is gracious and compassionate.

One: He provides food for those who fear him;

All: He remembers his covenant forever.

*Opening Hymn

“Now Thank We All Our God”

Hymn #643

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Holy God, when we are in need, we cry out for your mercy and healing. Yet, we confess that too often, we are confident in our own strength. We take the blessings to which we feel entitled and continue on our way, rather than returning to you in worship and praise.

Jesus, have mercy on us! It is easy to take for granted the ease of life we so often experience, while failing to question why others are pushed to the margins and excluded. It is tempting to take pride in our health and strength rather than confronting ableism in all its forms. Jesus, have mercy on us! Help us to grow in compassion for all people. Redirect our paths so that we return to you, offering our praise and gratitude, now and always.

Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

The saying is sure: If we have died with Christ, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him. We are clothed with the righteousness of Christ. Our sin is forgiven!

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

*Responsorial Hymn

“To God Be the Glory”

Hymn #634, last 2 lines

**“O Come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give him the glory: great things he has done!”**

*Greetings in Christ's Name

May the Peace of Christ Be With You. **And also with you.**
Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

The Word

Time with the Children

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Psalm 111:2, 6-10
Luke 17:11-19

Pew Bible, pg. 562
Pew Bible, pg. 80

Sermon

"I'm Grateful"

David Corfman

Response to Grace

Affirmation of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

*Hymn

"Give Thanks"

Hymn #647

Call for the Offering

Offertory

*Doxology

Hymn #608

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit ever more; praise Triune God, whom we adore."

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People and 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. Lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Sending

*Closing Hymn

“As the Deer”

Hymn #626

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Hymn #749

**“Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the Kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God.
We are called to act with justice; we are called to love tenderly;
We are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.”**

Postlude

(Please remain seated and reflect upon the service)

WORSHIP NOTES

Liturgist: Roger Neff

Acolyte: Brekken Tester

*All are invited to stand in body or spirit

All Hymns from Glory to God hymnal, unless noted otherwise

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