

The **flowers** are given to the glory of God and in memory of John DeVogt by his family.

Thank you to Buddy Bryan for assisting with worship this morning. **Thank you** to our worship team - Maggie Irby (moderator), Mary and David Dugan (waiting room), Andy Coffey (soundboard) and Jan Hathorn, Ron Orendorf and Mac Felts (usher team).

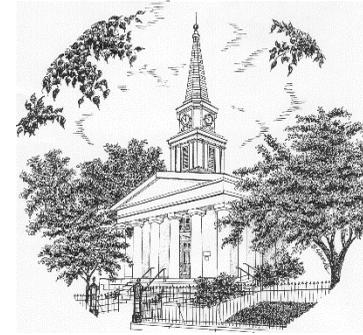
Thank you to our song leader, Sandy Nye, and the choir.

The choir's **anthem**, by the brilliant English musician, Eric H. Thiman (1900-1975) pairs a text by the English priest/poet, Geoffrey Studdert Kennedy (1883-1929) with an American folk melody, found in Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music* (Philadelphia, 1813). The anthem text:

*Awake, awake to love and work, the lark is in the sky.
the fields are wet with diamond dew, the world's awake to cry
their blessings on the Lord of life, as he goes meekly by.
Come, let thy voice be one with theirs, shout with their shout of praise;
see how the giant sun soars up, great lord of years and days!
So let the love Jesus come and set thy soul ablaze.
To give and give and give again what God hath given thee;
to spend thyself nor count the cost; to serve right gloriously
the God who gave all worlds that are, and all that are to be.*

The organ prelude and postlude are liturgical pieces by the German-born composer, known as Jean-Adam Guilain (c.1680-c.1639), who flourished in France in the early 18th century. The titles of the pieces refer to specific stops and sound colors of the French organs of the time. The *cromorne* is a distinctive reed stop. The *Grands jeux* are the full chorus of reed stops.

Please keep the Pastor Nominating Committee in your prayers as they seek God's will for future pastoral leadership at LPC. They are: Kara Braddick, Ainsley Carter, Mary Dugan, Helen Fure, Margie Page, Mac Baker, Bob James, John Morman, Mike Strickler.



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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
17 October 2021
11:00AM

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

MUSIC OF PREPARATION *Cromorne en taille* Jean Adam Guilain

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIFE OF THE CHURCH *Spiritual Gifts* Rev. Tom Groome

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) - The response is fine on the P mic.

Let your minds ponder the manifold works of God.

Let your spirits soar amid the wonders of creation.

There is pulsating life all around us.

The earth is full of God's creatures.

We gather to worship and praise the God of all people.

We come to learn from the God we only dimly perceive.

We reach out for answers to our questions.

We long to find meaning and purpose for our days.

Let us worship God!

OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN 305

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

A TIME OF CONFESSION

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God, we confess that we seek places of honor, privilege, and reward. We want privilege without pain, greatness without

the grind of hard work. We expect rewards for our efforts. We talk about serving you, but we do not want the rank of servant. We have lots of ideas about what you might do to intervene in the world and little commitment to what we might do in your name. Forgive us and help us, gracious God. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Hymn 755, v. 1 [tune: *Beach Spring*]

Alleluia! Laud and Blessing

***Alleluia! Laud and blessing to our God, whose word is sure;
By whose grace we find redemption, in whose love we live secure.
Righteousness and rich compassion shall attend us all our days;***

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 107:1-9, 43 p. 528

NEW TESTAMENT READING Colossians 3:12-17 p. 190

SERMON *Care For One Another, part v* Rev. Tom Groome

*HYMN OF REFLECTION 264 *At the Name of Jesus*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*AFFIRMATION IN SONG - Hymn 582 *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

***Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,***

***and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

World without end, without end, Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

PRAYER OF PEOPLE & 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, forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING OF OUR OFFERINGS

Opening Words

*Anthem *Awake, Awake to Love and Work* Eric H. Thiman

*Hymn 606 *The Doxology*

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

*CLOSING HYMN 313 *Lord, Make Us More Holy*

*BLESSING IN WORD

*RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE : HYMN 742 (sung twice) *We Will Walk with God*

We will walk with God, my brother, we will walk with God.

We will walk with God, my sister, we will walk with God.

We will go rejoicing till the kingdom has come.

We will go rejoicing till the kingdom has come.

POSTLUDE *Dialogue sur les Grands Jeux* Jean Adam Guilain