

*Following Worship all are invited to join us for our annual Pilgrim Potluck meal in Fellowship Hall. Many thanks to all who brought in items to share.*

*While you're there, stop by the Spotlight Table in Fellowship Hall to learn more about Raise Right and Scrip fundraising opportunities which support our ministries. This is a great way to explore the many ministries of our church and to encourage one another to share our unique talents and gifts together. Stay tuned for more Spotlight Moments to come. Together we are one!*

*Following today's Pilgrim Potluck there will be an informal, short, informational meeting on how the congregation will go about the search process for a new Senior Minister. Pastor Joel's last day at Meadowbrook will be Jan. 31. All are welcome to join this meeting after the potluck.*

## **MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**



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**November 24, 2024**  
**Harvest Sunday & Pilgrim Potluck**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, November 24, 2024  
Harvest Sunday & Pilgrim Potluck

**PRELUDE** "Give Thanks" arr. by Mark Hayes Dave Howland

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Rev. Joel K. Boyd

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

*Minister:* May the peace of the Lord be with you.

*Congregation:* **And also with you.**

*Minister:* Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

## CHORAL INTROIT

*I will alway give thanks, give thanks to the Lord; His praise shall ever be in my mouth.*

*\*Stand in body or spirit*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 23:1-3, 6) *(read responsively)* Frank Maynard

*Leader:* The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

*Congregation:* **He makes me lie down in green pastures,**

*Leader:* He leads me beside quiet waters, He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for His Name's sake.

*Congregation:* **Surely Your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

**\*GATHERING HYMN** "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" #285

**\*INVOCATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(in unison)* Frank Maynard

**Hope, life, joy, turkey, cranberries, pie, loved ones – all these are from You, O God, and we give You thanks from the depths of our hearts. Let Your Spirit be among us this morning as we sing and praise Your Name. Mold us into grateful people, ready to love others. Be with us by the Spirit, Lord, as we pray as Jesus taught us:**

***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.***

**SPOTLIGHT MOMENT** Raise Right & Scrip

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** "Give Thanks" #282

**SUNDAY SCHOOL MOMENT** Colleen Foster  
*(Children are released to Sunday School.)*

**SCRIPTURE READING** Ephesians 3:14-19 | Page #193 NT Frank Maynard

*Leader:* This is the Word of the Lord.  
*Congregation:* **Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM** "All Things Bright and Beautiful" by John Rutter Sanctuary Choir  
*(See lyrics on back page)*

**SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER** Rev. Joel K. Boyd

CHORAL AMEN

**OFFERTORY** "How Beautiful" by Twila Paris Steve Kellar and Heidi Boyd

**\*DOXOLOGY** *(sing in unison)* #563

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

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**SERMON SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 121 | Page #121 OT Rev. Joel K. Boyd

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CHORAL RESPONSE

*May your word be a lamp unto my feet, and a beacon for my heart.*

**SERMON** "Through the Lens of Our Creator" Rev. Joel K. Boyd

**\*SENDING HYMN** "Let There Be Peace on Earth" #308

**\*BENEDICTION** Rev. Joel K. Boyd

**POSTLUDE** "Now Thank We All Our God" arr. by Michael Helman Dave Howland

**MUSICIANS:** Dave Howland, Sanctuary Choir and Danny Reeves  
**TECHNICIAN:** Scott Hokett | **GREETER:** Peggy Wright | **LITURGIST:** Frank Maynard

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

Refrain:

*All things bright and beautiful  
All creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful,  
the Lord God made them all.*

*The cold wind in the winter,  
the pleasant summer sun,  
the ripe fruits in the garden:  
He made them every one. [Refrain]*

*Each little flow'r that opens,  
each little bird that sings,  
He made their glowing colors,  
He made their tiny wings. [Refrain]*

*He gave us eyes to see them,  
and lips that we might tell  
how great is God Almighty,  
who has made all things well. [Refrain]*

*The purple-headed mountain,  
the river running by,  
the sunset and the morning  
that brightens up the sky. [Refrain]*

"How Beautiful"

*How beautiful the hands that served the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. How beautiful the feet that walked the long dusty roads and the hill to the cross. How beautiful, how beautiful, is the body of Christ. How beautiful the heart that bled, that took all my sin and bore it instead. How beautiful the tender eyes that choose to forgive and never despise. And as He laid down His life, we offer this sacrifice: that we will live just as He died, willing to pay the price. How beautiful the radiant Bride who waits for her Groom with His light in her eyes. How beautiful when humble hearts give the fruit of pure lives so that others may live. How beautiful the feet that bring the sound of good news and the love of the King. How beautiful the hands that serve the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. How beautiful is the body of Christ.*

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