

The days are surely coming, says the LORD,
when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch,
and he shall reign as king and deal wisely
and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land



-Jeremiah 23:5

Sunday, November 23, 2025

*Prayer candles are available at the communion rail
Financial gifts may be made in the wooden offering boxes
Please silence your electronic devices*

THE GATHERING & CARILLON PRELUDE

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Come, Thou Fount of Larry Sue
Every Blessing Text & Tune at UMH# 400

THE CALL TO WORSHIP*

Liturgist

Lord Jesus, we walk with you through the valley of
the shadow of death.

Let us find our life in you, O Lord.

Liturgist

Banished from the Garden of Eden for our rebellion,
we long for the garden of Paradise.

O Lord, you are the Christ.

Remember us in your kingdom.

Liturgist

We come to hear you speak of your love for us. You
have the words of eternal life.

**Give us ears to hear,
and our tears will turn to dancing and
our lips will open in loud songs of
praise!**

Hallelujah!

THE ENTRANCE HYMN*

UMH #327

Crown Him With Many Crowns

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION*

Liturgist

We know that we have not lived as God hopes. But
however fragmented we become, God longs to hold
us together in grace and peace. Let us come with
our prayers of confession and need to the One who
prepares the way for our words.

**In these moments, Remembering God,
we bring to you all the ways we have not
lived as your people:
we stand by watching while those in
need struggle to survive;
we cast our lots with those who
worship power and success;
we offer insults rather than words of
grace to those who care for us;
we scoff at your words which call us to
a different lifestyle.**

**Forgive us, God of Mercy,
for not knowing what we do to you,
to others, to ourselves.**

**Speak to us through Jesus Christ,
our King and our Savior,
who bears words filled with your tender
mercy and gracious hope.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

Pastor

This is the good news: God remembers! Not our
sins, not our foolish lives, not our rebellion. God
remembers us - and redeems us!

**God prepares the way for us:
the way to grace, to hope, to new life.
Joyfully, we offer our thanks to God.
AMEN.**

THE GLORIA PATRI*

UMH #70

**THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
& THE LORD'S PRAYER**

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jeremiah 23: 1 - 6

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC Joseph M Martin
A Thanksgiving Hodie

THE THANKSGIVING & DOXOLOGY*
UMH #94

THE GOSPEL LESSON
Luke 23: 33 - 43

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD W&S #3043
You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

THE MESSAGE The Reverend Don Ackerman
Where We're Going

THE CLOSING HYMN* UMH #325
Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus

THE BENEDICTION*

THE POSTLUDE Sigfrid Karg-Elert
Now Thank We All Our God

* - Please stand as you are able
UMH - The United Methodist Hymnal
W&S - Worship and Song

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Reverend Don Ackerman
Pastor

Julie Smith
Director of Children's Ministries

The Crossroads Choir
Beth Polen, *Director of Music Ministries*

The Crossroads Handbell Choir
Karen Zotta, *Director*

Christopher Dazey
Organist, Pianist & Carillonneur

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Happy
Birthday

11/23 – Adyn Ackerman
11/25 – Donald Miller
11/26 – Sylvia Snyder
11/27 – Miriam Ballos, Rob Pierson
11/28 – Mitch Boulton
11/30 – Harold Walters

THIS WEEK AT CROSSROADS

Wednesday, November 26
Men's Prayer Breakfast
9:00 am - Conference Room

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

**Tuesday,
November 25**
7:00 pm

Temple Israel
432 30th St NW
Canton 44709

All are welcome to sing
in the choir.
Rehearsal at 6:00 pm.
Heather Cooper, director

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

HANGING OF THE GREENS
THIS Saturday, November 29 - 9:00 am
Everyone in the church is invited to help!

NEIGHBORHOOD CHRISTMAS SHOP
Saturday, December 13

See Reneé Lilly If you can volunteer in person,
and use our gift wishlist on Amazon at this URL:
cantonforallpeople.org/amazon

CHRISTMAS EVE
Wednesday, December 24
Our traditional candlelight service at 5:00 pm
With the Camarada Brass and our Christmas Festival Choir
Music begins at 4:30 pm

Light the Advent Wreath
We need families, couples or individuals
to light our Advent candles every Sunday in Advent
Please see Pastor Don today or email him
to help with this important part of worship

Oatmeal Ministry Gift Bags
Both men's and women's socks
and individually-wrapped candy
are needed for our annual Christmas gift bags!
Please have your donations in on or before December 14!

To help keep our sacred space clean, at the conclusion of the service,
please return this bulletin to one of the wooden tables located throughout the sanctuary

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