



"Rejoice...pray...give thanks..."

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The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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Loving God, Loving People, Making Disciples

Gathering

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

*Chiming of the Hour and Presentation of the Word

Prelude Variations on "Laudate Dominum (O Praise Ye the Lord!)"
Hubert Parry/Kenneth Lowenberg

Welcome and Covenant Life

*During our morning announcements,
please take time to pass and sign the friendship pads.*

Joys and Concerns of the Covenant Family

Introit "God of the Ages"
arr. Philip Kern

*Call to Worship and Hymn of Praise, #26 (verses 1-2, 4)

"Earth and All Stars! (Psalm 98)"

*You are invited to come forward with your monthly
Hunger Offering during the singing of this hymn.*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy God, to you, we come, confessing our sins. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. In your mercy, forgive what we have done and left undone contrary to your will. Amend our ways, and direct our paths going forward, that we might delight in your will, rejoice in your love, and live to your glory. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Affirmation of Forgiveness, Hymn #610 (verses 1-2)

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Children are invited to come forward as we sing.

Time with Our Children

Jewel Aagard
Director of Faith Formation

*Passing of the Peace (Greet one another, "Peace be with you.")

*Children ages 2 – 11 may leave for Children's Worship
and will return during the last hymn.*

Teaching

Prayer for Illumination

Pranav Singh

Epistle Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (Pew Bible, NT p. 181)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"Joy and Gratitude"

Dr. Kyle Allen

***Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed** (*in unison*)

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.

Anthem

"Walk with Me, Lord"
arr. Rosephanye Powell

Nurturing

Celebration of Giving+

Offertory

"Forgive Our Sins, As We Forgive"
Kenneth T. Kosche

***Doxology, #35** (verse 3)

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Reaching

***Hymn of Devotion, #39**

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

***Charge**

***Benediction, Hymn #546** (verses 1-2)

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

Trinity Chimes

Our Trinity Chimes played before the postlude provide the opportunity to sit and enjoy the end of our service with music, or to exit quietly as our Livestream continues for this part of worship.

Postlude

Fugue on "Laudate Dominum (O Praise Ye the Lord)"
Herbert Parry/Kenneth Lowenberg

Music Notes: Have you ever noticed how unusual some hymn tune names are? I'm not speaking of titles, but the actual hymn tune name that is found at the bottom right of each hymn in the hymnal. First, "Amazing Grace" is simply "Amazing Grace" as the hymn tune name. Then there is the hymn I'm playing today at the Offertory, which has the hymn tune name of "Detroit", but the hymn title is "Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive." If you go through the hymnbook, you will find even more unusual names such as "Redhead 76," "Duke Street," "Dunlaps Creek," "Crashing Waters," "Antioch," "Bourbon," etc. So, what are these unusual names? Many are named after towns, cities, or even streets. So, check out all the different names when you get a chance. You will be surprised at how interesting they can be. ~ Ronn Lowe

Welcome! We are blessed to have you join our worship today, and we hope to keep seeing you! More information about Covenant is available on our website at covenantroanoke.org and you can also follow us on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Twitter. We would love to get to know you better, and a card is available in the pew before you to begin this journey together.

Greetings, Parents! Children are always welcome in our worship services. **We also have a Parents Room** just outside the Sanctuary, with a changing table and rocking chairs. Please ask an usher for assistance if needed. **Children's bulletins and activity bags are available** on the table in Heritage Hall. **We offer Children's Worship** during the second half of the service for children ages 2 to 11.

You are invited to share your Joys and Concerns by writing them in the book on the stand outside the sanctuary. These will be included in the Prayers of the People during our worship service. (If you have a concern of a personal nature, please speak with the pastor or contact the office.)

Cookies and lemonade await you! After worship, all are welcome to gather in Heritage Hall (the entrance area) to visit with church members and guests. Thank you to the Aagaard Family for hosting this morning!

Greeters: Meg Munton, Tomi Nave

Ushers: Lynn McGhee, John Munton, Carl Nave, Paul Weary

Liturgist/ Elder of the Month: Pranav Singh

Deacon of the Month: Sherry Moran

Assistant Deacon of the Month: Jennifer Mundorff

Sound: Roger Dickenson

Video/Livestream: Beth Allen, Pranav Singh



In Our Prayers . . . Church Members: Christine Beck, Tricia Cronise, Mary Jane Fisher, Dick Frahm, Lynnmarie Hancock, Jerry Lawson, Lindsey Nanz, Ann Cecil Renick, Carol Ryan, June and Forrest Smith, Jo Wilson, caregivers, military service members and families

Family & Friends: Greg Adcox, Rob Ahlers, Audrey Bashlor, Lowell Bashlor, Jr., Kenneth Benner, Mike Cummings, Patrick Dooley, Maria Dreiling, Cesia Enriquez, Heather Ford, Larry Gray, Jo Jones, Pauline Mudrick, Kathy Roberts, Bob & Betty Sizemore, Ezra Schuyler Soto, Beth Anne Slone, Joe Wallace, Daniel Woodbury, Religious violence against Christians in northeast India, Mission co-workers Tyler & Rochelle Holm and the people of Malawi, Jim McGill (Niger)

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