

**November 10, 2024**

**10:00 AM**

United Christian Church of Austin

## **-- GATHERING --**

**PRELUDE**

Nick Jimenez, *Accompanist*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Janet Maykus, *Pastor*

*(See pages 10–11 for printed announcements.)*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Carol Barrett, *Liturgist*

One: Come, take your rest this day.

All: Holy Comforter, free us from the stresses we have endured this week.

One: Come, put your minds at ease.

All: Gentle Guide, ease the burdens and frustrations of our lives.

One: Come, for this is the house of the Divine. It is here that you will find peace.

All: Praise and thanks be to God for giving us sanctuary. AMEN.

**\*OPENING HYMN**

**“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”**

Chalice Hymnal #5

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing  
my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and king,  
the triumphs of God's grace!

2 Jesus, the name that charms our fears,  
that bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'tis life, and health, and peace.

**3 My loving Savior and my God,  
assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad  
the honors of thy name.**

**4 Glory to God and praise and love  
be ever, ever given  
by saints below and saints above,  
the church in earth and heaven.**

Words: Charles Wesley, 1739, alt. Music: AZMON, Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1839.  
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## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Carol Barrett, *Liturgist*

When we admit the places where we are broken and ask for repair, we join in the act of reconciliation, and hope for new life. Let us say together our prayer of confession.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. We seek courage and comfort in earthly things rather than in you. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.**

## **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

Janet Maykus, *Pastor*

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## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*The people are invited to share a sign of God's peace with one another,  
such as a greeting, handshake, etc.*

**One:** Peace be with you.

**All:** And also with you.

## **-- THE WORD --**

### **OUTREACH COLLECTION**

**"Come, Be Glad!"**  
Chalice Hymnal #329

**1 Come, be glad! Sing and praise!**

**See what God has done!**

**Formed the earth, spread the seas,**

**set in place the mountains;**

**radiant sun, shining stars,**

**rivers, plains and fountains.**

**2 Come, my soul lift your eyes!**

**See what God has done!**

**Led the slaves through the sea**

**to a promised blessing;**

**faithful love, day and night**

**guarding and protecting.**

**3 Come, rejoice! Praise God's name!**

**See what God has done!**

**When full time came to be**

**Christ appeared redeeming;**

**prophets, priests, martyrs, saints,**

**Jesus' name confessing.**

**4 Come, with joy! Fill your hearts!  
 See what God has done!  
 Holy Flame, Spirit, Fire,  
 burns in each believer  
 bringing life, love and joy,  
 binding all together.**

**5 Come, give thanks! Sing God's praise!  
 See what God has done!  
 Sends us out to obey  
 "Go and make disciples."  
 Christ alive! Christ alone reigns  
 in glory always.**

Words: Daniel B. Merrick (1978). Music: PORTOBELLO, Carlton R. Young (1989).  
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## TIME FOR CHILDREN

Emily Jamison Guerrero  
*Director of Children's Ministries*

## CHILDREN'S SENDING SONG

**"Peace, My Friends"**

### PEACE, MY FRIENDS

Ray Repp

Refrain

Peace I leave with you, my friends. Sha-lom, my peace in  
 all you do. Peace I leave with you, my friends.  
 I give to you so you can give to oth - ers, too.

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## SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 12:38-44

Carol Barrett, *Liturgist*

As he taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses, and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

One: May we be granted wisdom and courage for interpretation.

All: Amen.

## SERMON

Janet Maykus, *Pastor*

## HYMN OF RESPONSE

**"We Give Thee but Thine Own"**

Chalice Hymnal #382

1 We give Thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

2 May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,  
and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first-fruits give.

3 To comfort and to bless, to find a balm for woe,  
to tend the lonely in distress, is angels' work below.

**4 The captive to release, to God the lost to bring,  
to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ-like thing.**

**5 And we believe thy Word, though dim our faith may be;  
whate'er for thine we do, O Lord, we do it unto thee.**

Words: William W. How, c. 1858.. Music: SCHUMANN, Mason and Webb's *Cantica Laudis*, 1850.  
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## **-- PRAYER TIME --**

### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

Janet Maykus, *Pastor*

*As petitions conclude, each will end with:*

One: O Lord,

All: **hear our prayer.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father who is in heaven, holy is your name. Your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily  
bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not  
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## **-- OFFERTORY --**

### **INVITATION TO GIVING**

### **OFFERTORY**

Sue Lucas, *Flute*

*We invite you to partner with us in mission and ministries.  
Offering plates will be passed around the Sanctuary at this time.*

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*Alternatively, you may give online at [uccaustin.org/give](http://uccaustin.org/give)  
or scan the QR codes in the pew to be connected to giving websites.*

*It is through your generosity that this exceptional community  
of friendship, faith, and service is possible.*

## **\*DOXOLOGY      “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly hosts:  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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## **— — COMMUNION — —**

<b>INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE</b>	Janet Maykus, <i>Pastor</i>
<b>WORDS OF INSTITUTION</b>	Janet Maykus, <i>Pastor</i>
<b>TABLE BLESSING</b>	Carol Barrett, <i>Deacon</i>
<b>CALL TO THE TABLE</b>	Janet Maykus, <i>Pastor</i>

*All are now invited to come forward down the center aisle for communion.  
You may open your hands for a piece of bread from the common loaf.*

*The deacons hold split chalices that have both **RED** wine and **WHITE** grape juice  
in them. Please use what is right for you.*

*Alternatively, single-serve communion kits with gluten-free wafers and juice  
are available in the tray that I will be holding, if that works best for you.*

*Please return to your seats by the side aisles.*

*A deacon will come around to serve any who remain seated.*

*You may also use the time to light a candle of prayer.*

*Come now, for the table is ready.*

**COMMUNION MUSIC**

**“Sing to the Lord a New Song”**

*UCC Chancel Choir*

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

*Janet Maykus, Pastor*

**— — WE GO OUT TO SERVE — —**

**\*SENDING HYMN**

**“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”**

*Chalice Hymnal #446*

**The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord lift his countenance upon you,  
and give you peace, and give you peace.  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you  
and be gracious, and be gracious;  
the Lord be gracious, gracious unto you.  
Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen.**

Words: Numbers 6:24-26 (KJV); Music: BENEDICTION, Peter C. Lutkin (1900)  
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**\*BENEDICTION/SENDING**

*Janet Maykus, Pastor*

**One:** As our Sunday worship ends,

**ALL:** Let our service begin!

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## **POSTLUDE**

Nick Jimenez, *Accompanist*

### **Welcoming a New Member**

**Chalice Hymnal #341**

Reaffirming our own faith in Jesus the Christ,  
we gladly welcome you into this community of faith,  
enfolding you with our love  
and committing ourselves to your care.  
In the power of God's Spirit  
let us mutually encourage each other to trust God  
and strengthen one another to serve others,  
that Christ's church may in all things stand faithful.

# — — ANNOUNCEMENTS — —

## Sunday, November 10

- **10am:** Hybrid Worship Service
- **11:15am:** Town Hall on the Roster of Council Officers and Proposed 2025 Budget

## Monday, November 11

- **6:30pm:** Choir Practice

## Tuesday, November 12

- **8am:** Breakfast Fellowship at Jim's on 183
- **1pm:** Tuesday Book Group (Zoom link in Friday newsletter)
- **6:30pm:** Tuesday Evening Small Group at the Myricks' home

## Wednesday, November 13

- **9:30am:** Wednesday Morning Small Group at the Hearn's' home

## Thursday, November 14

- **6:30pm:** Handbell Practice

## Sunday, November 17

- **10am:** Hybrid Worship Service
- **11:15am:** Congregational Meeting to vote on Roster of Council Officers, Updated By-laws, and Proposed 2025 Budget
- **5:30pm:** Sunday Evening Small Group at Church

## Monday, November 18

- **6:30pm:** Finance/Executive Committee Meeting
- **6:30pm:** Choir Practice

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# — — ANNOUNCEMENTS — —

## Tuesday, November 19

- 8am: Breakfast Fellowship at Jim's on 183
- 1pm: Tuesday Book Group (Zoom link in Friday newsletter)

## Wednesday, November 20

- 9:30am: Wednesday Morning Small Group at the Hearn's' home

## Thursday, November 21

- 6:30pm: Handbell Practice

## Friday, November 22

- 7pm: Friday Game Night

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### Congregational Meeting

Please join us for a congregational meeting on Sunday, November 17th, immediately following the worship service in the sanctuary. The members of the congregation will be voting on the roster of Council members, updated by-laws, and the proposed 2025 budget.