



# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Ann Caldwell, organist; Jane Self, pianist  
Vineville Brass, Kelly Graves, director

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 19, 2017

10:45 AM

Prelude *We Praise You, O God* arr. Larson

Welcome Richard Kremer

Music for Meditation *He Hideth My Soul* Vineville Brass  
All are encouraged to use this time as intentional preparation for the worship of God.

Invocation Paula Sparrow

\*Hymn 372 *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR  
Children are invited to gather at the front as we sing the final stanza.

Children's Sermon Stacy Whitehead

The Lord's Prayer

Ministry of Music *How Beautiful* Women's Trio

Responsive Reading Psalm 100 led by Anna Jones  
*Leader:* Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness, and come into His presence with singing.

**Congregation: Know that the LORD is God. It is He that made us, and we are His; we are God's people and the sheep of his pasture.**

*Leader:* Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise. Give thanks to God and bless His name.

**Congregation: For the LORD is good, and His steadfast love endures forever!**

Pastoral Prayer Richard Kremer

\* Hymn 377 *There Is a Redeemer* DIX

Offertory Prayer Angela Blizzard

Offertory *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* arr. Held

\* Hymn 706 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;  
praise Him, above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Scripture Reading Philippians 1:3-6 Richard Kremer

Ministry of Music *My Faith, My Hope* Walker  
*Poem text is printed on the bulletin cover*

Sermon	"Things I Forgot I Remembered"	Richard Kremer
*Hymn of Response 619	<i>Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine</i>	ASSURANCE
*Celebrations and Concerns		Richard Kremer
*Benediction		Richard Kremer
*Postlude	<i>Now Thank We All Our God</i>	arr. Travis

## PLEASE, STAY AND EAT!

This special Sunday grants me a rare opportunity to invite you to stay after church and enjoy Sunday dinner with our entire church family. I have ordered plenty of fried chicken, and we are blessed with a bevy of wonderful cooks, so, even if you didn't bring a dish to augment our meal, trust me, we will have ample provisions. So, come, join our Thanksgiving celebration as we gather together for this communal meal.

As we eat together on this Sunday before Thanksgiving, we have much for which to be grateful. In our church conference this past Wednesday we approved the position of a full-time minister of family life and education, and have empowered a search committee to begin finding the right person to fill this crucial position. Since the job description was expanded, we also expanded the search committee, adding the names of Jeanne Easom and Don Kendrick to the existing committee of Candace Fry, chair, Marce Easom, Barbara Jones, Norma Thompson, and Pam Wacter. Keep this committee and their work in your prayers.

We also approved a major investment in our church's physical plant. Over the next twelve months we intend to spend \$165,000 to address moisture seeping through our walls, painting and plastering unsightly areas and replacing key heating and air units. As I noted last week, making this investment now will save us money in the future. Most of the funding for these repairs will come from the endowment fund, our Following Christ fund, and perhaps consignment funds.

We also approved a proposed 2018 budget of \$1,003,418.25. This is a very ambitious budget, and we can only attain it if we all exercise sacrificial stewardship of our resources. I remind you that you should have received your pledge card by mail last week.

We are encouraging you to bring them to our Hanging of the Green service on Sunday, December 3, when we will afford an opportunity for everyone to bring their pledge cards to the altar in an act of gratitude and praise to God.

Remember, we will not have any Wednesday night activities this coming week, and the office will be closed on Thursday and Friday. Remember also that we will need your Advent devotional thought by the Monday after Thanksgiving, November 26. This year's theme is Christmas music, and we invite you to write about why a particular song, sacred or secular, means so much to you. We have already received some great entries.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Thanksgiving meals for disadvantaged families. We are going to be able to provide 14 Thanksgiving boxes to families for this holiday, and also we are providing a Thanksgiving meal for about twenty-five "street people," of Macon this coming Tuesday afternoon.

Remember also that our Salvation Army Angel Tree and stockings are available for pick up today. You need to be sure to return your gifts to the church by Wednesday, December 13.

Keep in mind the following holiday schedule: next Sunday, November 26, we will celebrate communion during both Sunday morning services, with a new member reception to follow after the 10:45 am service. The following Sunday, December 3, is our church-wide Advent Breakfast and our Hanging of the Green service. The next Sunday, December 10, our adult choir will bless us with their Christmas cantata, accompanied by orchestra. Don't miss it! The following Wednesday, December 13, the children and youth will present a concert of Christmas music in the sanctuary. On Wednesday, December 20, we will enjoy a potluck meal and "Sharing of Gifts." December 17 will be our only Sunday in December when we will have two morning services. We will, however, enjoy two special services on Christmas Eve, a live nativity scene presented by our children on Sunday morning and our "Candles, Carols and Communion" service at 6 pm that evening. Don't miss any of it.

A word from your pastor,  
Richard Kremer

## SYMPATHY

We extend Christian sympathy to the following families:

- Carl and Martha Goodrich and their family in the death of Martha's brother-in-law, Freddie Curtis.
- Bill and Mary Reeves and their family in the death of Bill's brother, Henry Reeves.

## YOUTH

**Today:** Youth choir at 3 pm in room 106. At 4 pm, we will meet to visit with the residents at Clisby Towers. We will have bingo, snacks, and a short sing-a-long with residents from 4:15 pm to 5:30 pm. Youth will arrive back at the church by 5:45 pm. There will be no youth supper this Sunday evening.

**Wonder:** Youth can meet at the Amstar theater on Monday, November 20th at 1:45 pm to see the movie “Wonder” together. Please bring money for the movie, and friends are always welcome! The show begins at 1:55 pm.

**Wednesday:** There will be no Wednesday night activities this Wednesday. Happy Thanksgiving!

**Next Sunday:** Youth choir at 4 pm in room 106 (last rehearsal before Hanging of the Green service), dinner at 5:00 pm, and game night until 6:15 pm. Let Angela know if there is a specific game you would like to play with the group.

## XYZ

The December 21st meeting will feature “Boy Wonder”, Caleb Esmund, who recently graduated high school and who is a piano virtuoso.

## BAZAAR GIFT SHOP

Bazaar proceeds seem to be on par with 2016’s and will be finalized after the closing of the Gift Shoppe in December. Please continue to shop on Wednesdays and by appointment for individuals or groups by calling the church office and give a suggested date and time.

## ANGEL TREE AND STOCKINGS

This year Angel Tree and Stocking ministry will be serving 458 families which includes 1,131 children from the Middle Georgia area. If you would like to participate, the display is outside the church office. Thank you for contributing to a joy-filled Christmas for many who struggling financially. The deadline is Wednesday, December 13. No gift wrapping please. if you have questions, please contact Lynn Collier, 731-4392, or Rita Peed, 955-4506.

## COAT DRIVE

The youth are collecting new and gently used coats through the month of November for those in need in our community. Donation baskets can be found throughout the church. Thank you to everyone who has already donated. If you know of a family or situation where a coat would come in handy, please contact Angela Blizzard.

## THANK YOU

We have collected approximately 120 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Thank you, Vineville Baptist Church, for making this a special Christmas for many children around the world.

## LIBRARY CORNER

The library has many “old moldies” that are worth another look. A few are displayed in the library windows. Come see us and check out a few worthwhile items!

## POINSETTIAS

On Sunday, December 3 through Christmas, the sanctuary will be decorated with beautiful poinsettias. If you would like to place a poinsettia in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Ginny in the church office at 743-9366. The cost will be \$20 and orders must be placed by tomorrow. You may take your poinsettia after the Christmas Eve Service.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### December 3

Advent Breakfast  
Hanging of the Green

### December 10

Adult Choir Christmas Music  
*A Christmas Tapestry*  
10:45 am in the Sanctuary

### December 13

Children's Choirs and Youth Choir  
Christmas Program

## THIS WEEK AT VINEVILLE

### Sunday, November 19

8:30 am No Early Service  
9:15 am Media Library  
9:35 am Bible Study  
10:45 am Worship  
12:00 pm Thanksgiving Feast  
1:00 pm Handbells  
1:00 pm Church Council  
2:00 pm Deacons Meeting  
3:00 pm Youth Choir  
4:00 pm SNYF

### Monday, November 20

No Activities

### Tuesday, November 21

10:30 am Exercise/Stretching Class

### Wednesday, November 22

No Wednesday Activities

### Thursday, November 23



**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

Office Closed

### Friday, November 24

Office Closed

### Sunday, November 26

8:30 am Early Service  
9:15 am Media Library  
9:35 am Bible Study  
10:45 am Worship  
12:00 pm New Member Reception  
2:30 pm Handbells  
4:00 pm Youth Choir  
5:00 pm SNYF

DEACON OF THE WEEK

The Deacon of the Week is Charles Schaible. Next week is Mike Sharpe.

REPORT AS OF NOVEMBER 12

ATTENDANCE		
Bible Study	178	
8:30 Worship	42	
10:45 Worship	189	
STEWARDSHIP		
Budget Offering	\$14,701	
Following Christ 2 (YTD)	\$29,735	
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YTD Budget Contributions	\$700,455	

SOUND, LIGHTS, AND VIDEO

<b>November 19</b>	<b>November 26</b>
<b>Morning Worship 8:30 am</b>	<b>Morning Worship 8:30 am</b>
House: <b>No early service</b>	House: Gene Welch
Broadcast:	Broadcast: John Kuipers
Video:	Video: Michael O’Neal
<b>Morning Worship 10:45 am</b>	<b>Morning Worship 10:45 am</b>
House: Wade Wilbourn	House: Wade Wilbourn
Broadcast: Chuck Whitehead	Broadcast: John Fry
Video: Eric Blizzard	Video: Michael O’Neal

OUR STAFF

Richard Kremer	Pastor
Angela Blizzard	Minister of Music
Angela Blizzard	Minister to Youth
Peggy Jones	Financial Administrator
Jody Thornton	Administrative Assistant
Ginny Ferguson	Receptionist
Sandra Head	Music Ministry Coordinator
Tonia Boyd	Weekday Morning School
Kathy McCray &	Co-Teachers
Sherry Williams	of Higher Life

OUR LAY LEADERSHIP

Church Council	Todd Smith	474-6333
Deacon Ministry	Mark Wood	957-7540
Grief Ministry	Nell Jones	960-6195
Homebound	Ann Purser	477-7549
Media Center	Carol Lincoln	743-9366
Men’s Ministry	Todd Smith	474-6333
Missions	Jim Jones	757-8411
Preschool	Bobbie Scarbrough	254-4595
Senior Adults-XYZ	Jackie Odom	746-1716
Sunday School	Jeane Easom	719-1289
Women’s Ministry	Susan Milam	714-0545