

Christians and Empire: How then shall we live?

November 17, 2024

Gathering

VT 52 Come and fill our hearts

Call to worship

Welcome, Birthday Recognition

VT 131 Praise, I will praise you, Lord

Peace Lamp

L: Let justice roll down like a river

P: And goodness like an ever flowing stream.

Covenanting of Neil and Janette Amstutz

Offering and Confession

Confession

Offering

Offering VT 392 The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound

Telling God's Story

VT 63 Like a Rock

Children's time *Children 3 and under are dismissed for Little Children's time, following that there is child care available.*

Scripture Paraphrase:

L: The stories of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God

Sermon

VT 223 Bless'd be the God of Israel

Sharing our Stories

Sermon response/Sharing from our lives

Pastoral Prayer

Sending

Introduction of Visitors

Announcements

Sunday school teachers are dismissed before the final hymn

VT 194 Lead on, O Cloud of Presence

Benediction

Thanks to: *Worship Leader:* Barb Swartley; *Sermon:* Ben Sywulka; *Song Leader:* Mary Lehman Yoder; *Peace Lamp:* Wilma Harder; *Scripture Reader:* Sandy Fribley; *Children's Time:* Mary Roth; *Pastoral sharing and prayer:* Karl Shelly; *Tech Crew:* Ben Good-Elliott and Patrick Coonan; *Visuals:* "Tree of Life" by Abdul Jabber

If you have an announcement that pertains to the whole congregation, please get it in writing to the worship leader.

Second Hour: Karl Shelly will be facilitating a discussion with a panel from Assembly's Green Team considering the possibility and implications of Assembly's building becoming a carbon neutral facility. Held in the Worship Space. If you would like an interactive project during second hour, Advent candles are available to decorate in the Multipurpose Space.

Scripture Reading paraphrased from: Isaiah 10:1-2, Isaiah 58:6

Jeremiah 7:5-7, Leviticus 25:39-41, Isaiah 40:4-5, Romans 12:2, Ephesians 6:12, Luke 4:18-19, 1 Peter 4:10, 2 Corinthians 9:6-7.

Call to Confession, Prayer and Assurance by Gill Le Fevre

HEARING ASSISTANCE

This worship space has two systems to help people with hearing loss participate more fully in our life together.

1. FM system. Get a receiver and an ear speaker from the sound booth.
2. Hearing Loop accessed by hearing aids with t-coils. Find a seat in the worship space and turn on the t-coils.