

*Your Friendly  
Community Church*



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**Twenty-fourth  
Sunday after  
Pentecost**

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## WE GATHER AT GOD'S INVITATION

### PRELUDE

WELCOME Tiffany Phillips  
& ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God has called all of us here beloved.

**People: We are given new names of hope and promise.**

Leader: Even though storms and trials have assailed us,

**People: God has drawn us through to the time of salvation.**

Leader: We are thankful for God's victory in Jesus Christ!

\*HYMN "Victory in Jesus" UMH #370

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Faithful God, expand our thankful imaginations: to time beyond our time, to wisdom beyond our wisdom, to strength beyond our strength. As we pray for your coming reign, remind us that the whole earth is already yours. Even as we pray for things not yet seen, help us to celebrate your eternal reign. Amen.**

### APPORTIONMENT UPDATE

Rev. Meegian Gossard

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Diane Horn

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

### \*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Holy God, through the generations you have spoken to us. You have sent voices crying out in the wilderness. You have sent the words of an overjoyed new father and an expectant mother. You have sent the assurance of a condemned man on a cross. Quiet in us any voice but your own that, by the power of your Spirit, we might hear the words you speak to us today. Amen.**

\*NEW TESTAMENT LESSON NT #188  
Colossians 1:11-20

SERMON Rev. Meegian Gossard  
"Disciples Give Ultimate Allegiance to Christ"

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**\*THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**UMH #881**

**PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** "We Will Glorify"  
Choir, featuring Abby Branson

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**UMH #95**

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

## WE GO WITH GOD INTO THE WORLD

**\*HYMN**

**UMH #382**

"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*AMEN RESPONSE**

**UMH #898**

**POSTLUDE**

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Welcome to our worship service this morning. If you are visiting, please complete a visitor's card located in your pew and place it in the offering plate.

The annual Ecumenical Community Thanksgiving Service is today at 4 pm at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church on Trenholm Road. Everyone is invited to attend.

We will be decorating the sanctuary for Christmas on Saturday, November 26, at 10 am. All help will be appreciated.

We have adopted a family through Families Helping Families for Christmas. Tags with suggested items are on the tree in the narthex. The deadline is Tuesday, December 6.

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, November 20

4:00 Ecumenical Community Thanksgiving Service, St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church, Trenholm Rd.

Tuesday, November 22

6:30 Worship Committee via ZOOM

Wednesday, November 23

No pastor's Bible study

5:30 Choir

Thursday, November 24

Thanksgiving (**church office closed**)

Friday, November 25

**Church office closed**

Saturday, November 26

10:00 am Decorate the sanctuary for Christmas

You are welcomed to attend one of our Sunday School groups each Sunday Morning:

**Crossroads SS Class** meets via Zoom at 9 a.m.  
Contact L.W. Smith for Zoom invite.

**Pathfinder SS Class** meets at 9:45 a.m. in the parlor in the Education Building.

## HEARING INFO

If you would like to use a hearing assistance device, please see an usher for assistance.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please write your prayer requests in the book found on the podium located at the back of the sanctuary before the service begins. Pastor Meegian will receive these requests and lift them up for prayer during worship.

We are excited to have you in our worship service today. We love that the walls of our building do not limit the impact of our ministry and have a wonderful community joining us today virtually. As such, we would like to remind all in attendance that your presence in our worship service indicates your approval that you and all minors you represent being recorded for our digital usage. This includes, but is not limited to, your image, name, and involvements in today's services.