Totenfest - All Saints
October 30, 2011

To everything there is a season,
a time for every purpose under heaven…

Ecclesiastes 3

"Turn, Turn, Turn" by Gail H. Shelton
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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELLS AND PRELUDE

***RINGING THE BELLS**

One: Holy God,
meet us here in this place
as we mourn those who have died this year
sons and daughters
mothers and fathers
siblings and grandparents
partners and friends

at the same time celebrating new life among us
children and grandchildren
siblings and friends.

Parents, Children, Siblings and Partners who died this year for whom we grieve…

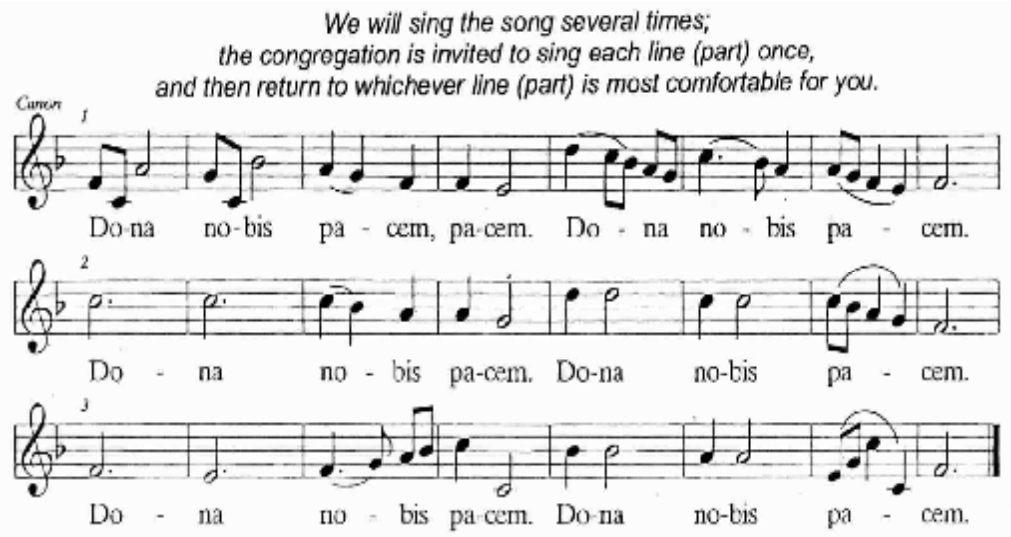
Jo Ann Barnwell	*Emory Hampel*	*Loretta Ott*
Gerard Bowe	*Chloe Huber*	*Anne Spiering*
Kathleen Charleston	*Paula Lindberg*	*Judy Staley*
Susan Clowe	*Tony Lopez*	*Suzann Stephens*
Bill Dayhuff	*Sharon Lowenstein*	*Jane Thompson Edel*
Elsie Doellefeld Daniels	*Ray Lyons*	*Paul Wehling*
Dolores Drury	*Jackie Lyons*	*Lionel Whiston, Jr.*
Bob English	*Ryan Mathews*	*Jim Winter*
Eleanor Frank	*Bob Meyer*	*John Winter*
Martha Gaebler	*Ernest Nolte*	*Tom Winter*

Children, Grandchildren, Nieces and Nephews born this year for whom we celebrate…

Gavin Kolley	*Gianna Yvonne Miller*	*Claire Renee Campell*
Max Holmes-Reznicek	*Megan Lindy Campell*	

**The names listed are as reported to the church office. We know that we may have missed some names and beg your understanding.*

***RESPONSE** "Dona Nobis Pacem"
"Grant Us Peace"



***LITANY** source: HS

One: Holy God of wind and fire;
Many: **Dance through this room today.**

One: Holy God of earthquakes and illness;
Many: **Share our tears of sadness and pain.**

One: Holy God of creation and new beginnings;
Many: **Show us again your vision of healing and wholeness.**

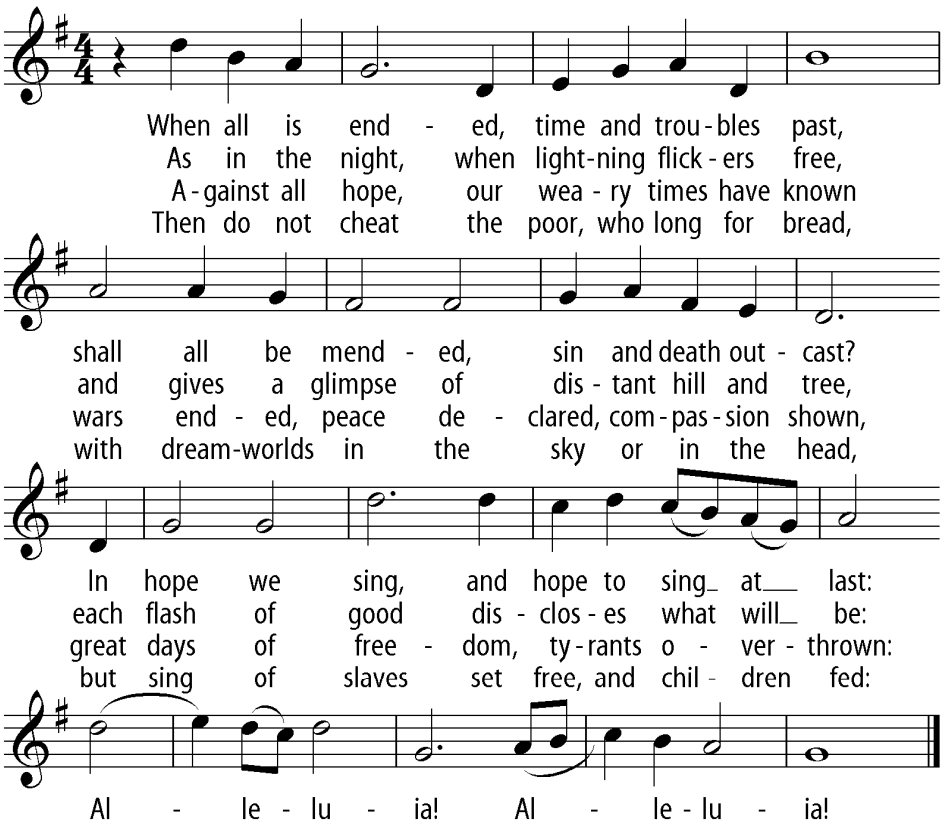
Totenfest

Totenfest is a word created by the Evangelical church when it was formed in 19th century Prussia. The word refers to the liturgical remembrance of those who have died in the preceding year. While the celebration parallels the more common All Saints Day tradition, Totenfest was traditionally celebrated on the final Sunday of the church year. In our local church, we have retained the image of "Totenfest" while moving the celebration to the more ecumencial All Saints Sunday. We have also added the names of those born in our community during the preceding year, thus celebrating the full cycle of birth and death.

To love at all is to be vulnerable. Love anything, and your heart will certainly be wrung and possibly broken. If you want to make sure of keeping it intact, you must give your heart to no one, not even to an animal. Wrap it carefully round with hobbies and little luxuries; avoid all entanglements; lock it up safe in the casket or coffin of your selfishness. But in that casket--safe, dark, motionless, airless--it will change. It will not be broken; it will become unbreakable, impenetrable, irredeemable.

C. S. Lewis

***HYMN** "When All Is Ended" tune: Sine Nomine
words: Brian Wren



5. With earth-y faith we sing a song of heaven: all life ful-filled, all loved, all wrong for-given.
Christ is our sign of hope, for Christ is ris'n: Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia!

6. With all cre-a-tion, pain and an-ger past, e-vil ex-haust-ed, love su-preme at last,
a-live in God, we'll sing an un-sur-passed Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia!

READING FROM TRADITION

One: May we be struck by the wisdom of these words
and marked by hearing them.

Many: **For within story lies meaning, and
within meaning, the wisdom for which we seek.**

Gretta Vosper

One: From the stories of Moses:
At the end of Moses life, G-d said to him: "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, servant of G-d, died there in the land of Moab, as G-d had said. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, but no one knows his burial place to this day.

Deuteronomy 34:4-6

From Jesus' teachings:
Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Matthew 5:4

From Taoism we read:
I have heard that he who is skillful in managing the life entrusted to him for a time travels on the land without having to shun rhinoceros or tiger, and enters a host without having to avoid buff coat or sharp weapon. The rhinoceros finds no place in him into which to thrust its horn, nor the tiger a place in which to fix its claws, nor the weapon a place to admit its point. And for what reason? Because there is in him no place of death.

Tao Te Ching, 50

One: With words that illumine,

Many: **May we hear the Word.**

CHILDREN'S STORY Nancy Reiter

Children are invited to come to the Chancel Steps to share a story.
Following the story, young children may choose to go to the nursery (both services) or to Shepherds (11:00am—a play time in the Red Room downstairs).

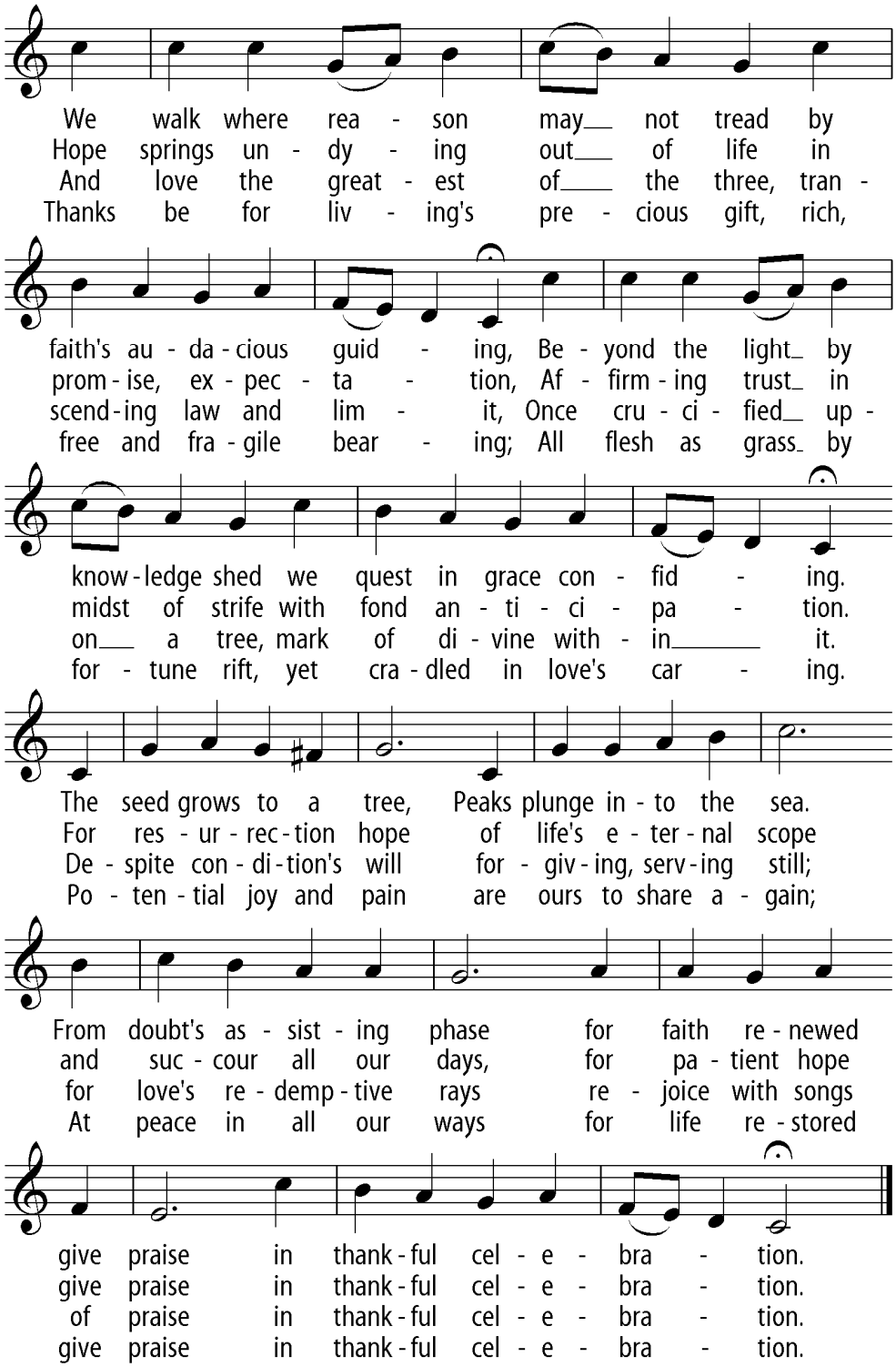
SPECIAL MUSIC

8:30AM

11:00AM "Joy in the Morning" N. Sleeth
Chancel Choir

SERMON "Utopia and Unfinished Business" Katherine HawkerSelf

HYMN "We Walk Where Reason May Not Tread" tune: *Ein' Feste Burg*
words: David Stevenson, © 2011



"Good Night, Willie Lee,
I'll See You In The Morning"
Alice Walker

Looking down into my fathers
dead face
for the last time
my mother said without
tears, without smiles
but with civility
"Good night, Willie Lee, Ill see you
in the morning."
And it was then I knew that the healing
of all our wounds
is forgiveness
that permits a promise
of our return
at the end.

Adult Options@9:45 Today!

- ***Parent Group*** *(with Jane M in Room 23)*
- ***Topical Offering*** *for adults (across from Katy's office).*
  10/30—Companioning & Aging SAGE Metro St. Louis)

In our Prayers

(please be in contact with the church office with additions or changes to share)

Communion Note…

The words you hear as we share communion may be different than you've heard before. Like all of our life together, our prayers and practices at table are always evolving. Our Worship Team has been involved in reading and reflection on our shared table practices, exploring the meanings we share with bread and cup. Inspired by the stories of Jesus' table practices, we are aware that traditional communion imagery conveys beliefs that many of us do not share. Our prayerful hope is to offer language and metaphor that inspire us to greater compassion while allowing us to encounter wonder as we gather together at table.

In our effort to make sure that everyone feels welcome at God's table, we now serve both bread and gluten-free wafers which can be dipped in the grape juice when received.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Believing that each joy and/or concern expressed is indeed a prayer,
After each expression, the worship leader will say: Lord in your Mercy.
And the people may respond: **Hear our prayer.**

Many: **As I live every day,**
I want to be a channel for peace.
May I bring love where there is hatred
and healing where there is hurt;
joy where there is sadness
and hope where there is fear.
I pray that I may always try
to understand and comfort other people
as well as seeking
comfort and understanding from them.
Wherever possible, may I choose to be
a light in the darkness, a help in times of need,
and a caring, honest friend.
May justice, kindness, and peace
flow from my heart forever. Amen.

source: G. Vosper

*RESPONSE

"As-salaamu Lakum" (Peace Be with You)

music: R. Bruxvoort Colligan
Traditional Arabic Greeting

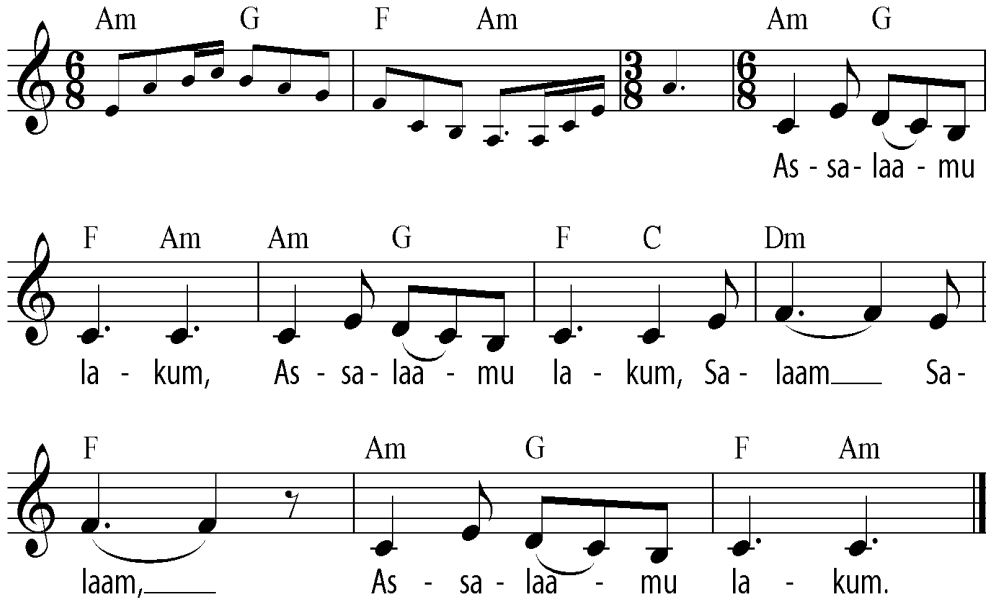


TABLE PRAYER AND PROCESSION TO THE TABLE

INVITATION

REMEMBRANCE

One: We remember the stories that Jesus' friends tell,
Many: **stories of bread broken and shared,**
feeding a multitude,
One: stories of being gathered together, enemy and friend, around tables,
Many: **stories of unlikely guests**
revealing the face of the sacred.

One: They say that that it was on a night of both celebration and betrayal
that he took the bread leftover on the table,
Many: **blessed it and broke it and shared it;**
One: reminding them that it is
in the breaking that we become whole,

Many: **in losing our lives that we find them,**
in serving that we are served.
One: As the grain scattered becomes one in the loaf,
Many: **when we eat this bread,**
we become one with one another.

One: They say that he took the cup also leftover on the table,
Many: **poured out and sharing,**
One: remembering with them, the life-giving breath
even now pounding a rhythm through our veins,
Many: **the breath of life from whence we come,**
the breath that precedes and follows
all that we can see.
One: As the grapes find life in the vine,
Many: **when we drink this cup,**
we become at one with the source of life itself.

BLESSING
One: We pray together:
Many: **Come, holy Spirit, come.**
Bless this bread and bless this fruit of the vine.
Bless all of us in our eating and drinking
that our eyes might be opened,
that we might recognize the Spirit rising in our midst
indeed, in one another. Come, holy Spirit, come.

The Congregation is invited to come forward by the center aisle… partaking of the bread and cup, lighting a candle in prayer, and placing an offering in the plates beside the table.

COMMUNION SONG "When the Saints Go Marching In" Traditional
additional verses from Louis Armstrong

Oh, when the saints go marching in, [Repeat]
Oh Lord, I want to be in that number,
When the saints go marching in.

And when the sun refuse to shine, [Repeat]
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number
When the sun refuse to shine.

Oh, when the trumpet sounds its call, [Repeat]
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number
When the trumpet sounds that call.

Oh, when the new world is revealed, [Repeat]
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number
When the new world is revealed.

Oh, when we all have food to eat, [Repeat]
Oh, lord I want to be in that number
When we all have food to eat.

Oh, when our leaders learn to cry, [Repeat]
Oh, lord I want to be in that number
When our leaders learn to cry.

It's Our Time...
EVANGELICAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Report of Your Giving to the Capital Campaign!

As of September 30, 2011, a total of $487,520 has been given by you to Phase One of our capital improvements. As we have just finished the second year and are three months into the third year, most of you are on target and continue to give as you promised. We are counting on you and are most appreciative. A big "Thank You" to each and every one of you for your faithfulness as we near the downward stretch!

If you have any questions in regard to your pledge, please contact Treasurer, Ken Ulmer, (314-729-7581), Norma Leuthauser (314-821-1731) or Jill Thompson (314-367-8224) of the Capital Campaign Follow-Up Committee. The record of the total gifts to date of the capital campaign is located on the bulletin board in the narthex and changes monthly.

General Fund Finances in Brief

September 2011 -- For the nine-month period ending September 30, 2011 General Fund contributions received were $217,577, other income was $10,019 for a total of $227,596. Expenses were $223,695. The result is a surplus of $3,901. The weekly average of contributions received was $5,488. The weekly average needed is $6,010. The difference is a shortfall of $521 per week.

The Finance Team

Sharing our Gifts

During our Procession to the Table (8:30am) and Celebration of Giving (11:00am), we are invited to consider our offerings. The easiest way to make a financial offering is to drop check or money, marked clearly for EUCC or for special offerings, in the basket during worship. You can also set up electronic giving, which saves paper—and you never need your checkbook. Please contact the church office for more information.

12 Months of Compassion

November—Step 11
Recognition

"When we look into the eyes of a stranger, we see ourselves."
Recognizing our oneness…

Worship:
following the teachings of Jesus…

Recognizing our Talents (November 6)
special guest: Rev. Dr. Michael Castle,
Cross Creek Community UCC (Dayton, Ohio)

Recognizing our Resources (November 13)
100% Participation Sunday

Recognizing our Service (November 20)
Giving Thanks Together

Recognizing our Expectations (November 27)
special guest: Nancy Mack

Church School:
following the teachings of Jesus…

Elementary: We'll share a month of putting our talents to work! Join us in a center of your choosing each week as we make goods to sell at the Advent Fair (December 4)

Beginner—Kindergarten: We'll explore our talents and Jesus' encouragement to share them!

Youth: (Still Speaking Center, 212)
Jeanne S and Marie K meeting Jr. High
Lucy A and Darlene HS meeting Sr. High

Adult Options@9:45

- ***Parent Group*** *(with Jane M in Room 23)*
- ***Topical Offering*** *for adults (across from Katy's office).*
  Mission 1—what we can do to get involved.

*"What we need is a reflexive, principled determination to put oneself into **all** other people's shoes."*

***DEDICATION OF MEMORIAL AND BEQUEST GIFTS**

One: Holy God, we are grateful for your love alive in your people, empowering us to care for and share with one another.

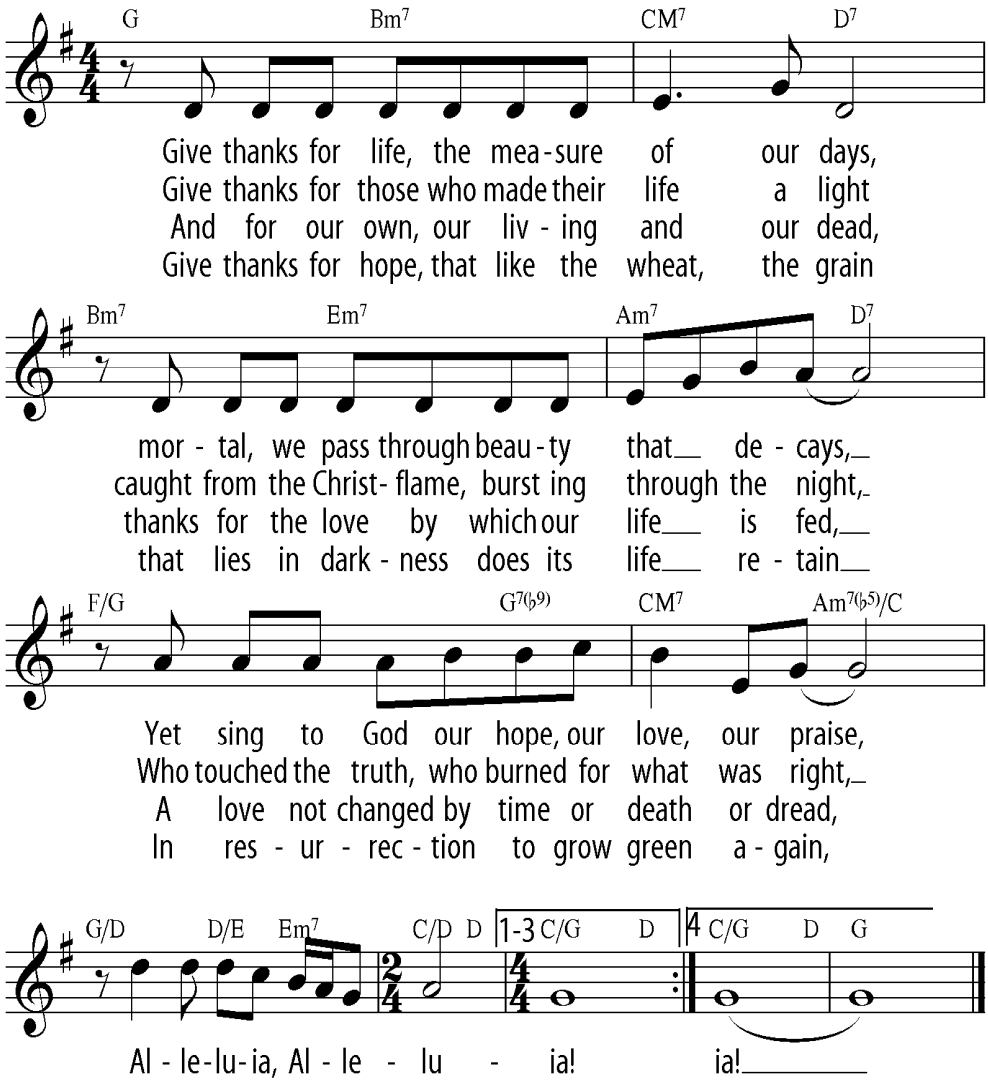
With grateful hearts we acknowledge memorial gifts that have been given this year in memory of:

David Harkins	*Jerry Bowe*
Ted Hattori	*Lionel Whiston*
Sharon Lowenstein	*Paula Lindberg*

With grateful hearts we acknowledge bequests that we have received this year from the estate of Richard and Anne Spiering.

Many: **May these tributes of love and devotion enable us to remember and celebrate the lives of our loved ones and draw us closer to you. Amen.**

***HYMN 297** "Give Thanks for Life" words: Shirley Erena Murray
tune: Robinson



***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Bulletin recycling: Though we invite you to take your bulletin home to review the prayers and opportunities throughout the week, if you choose to leave your bulletin after the 8:30am service place it in the blue box and we will use it again!

FELLOWSHIP AND MINISTRY GROUPS

EUCC BRIDGE GROUP - Tonight, 7:00pm
The EUCC Bridge Group will meet at Marilyn Stavenger's on Sunday, October 30 at 7:00pm. We'd love to have you join us, but please RSVP to Marilyn at 314-965-7596 or mstavenger@aol.com so that she can organize the tables and treats. Thanks!

EUCC QUILTERS AND ARTISTS - November 2, 9:00am
The Quilters and Artists will meet the morning of Wednesday, November 2 from 9-11 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. We will be embellishing lots of lavender sachets that will be for sale at the Advent Fair. (No sewing! Just glue guns!) For those who prefer needlework, there will of course be prayer quilts to work on. We welcome anyone who enjoys crafts, needlework, or conversation to join us. For more information, contact Gail Saxton at 314-821-7917 or acsaxtonjr@aol.com. *P.S. The sachets are made from some lovely silk fabric samples that were donated to us a while back. We'd love to thank the mystery donor; let us know who you are!*

FAMILY DRUM CIRCLE - November 4, 7:00pm
Please join us for some joyful noise! We all march to our own beat, and when those beats come together their sound and their relief is powerful. Bring a drum or other percussion instrument, or if you need to make one, please arrive early and get creative with some coffee cans and beans! Drum making begins at 6:30 in the Fireside Room, Drum Circle begins at 7pm in the Sanctuary. For any questions, please contact Kelly Archer at 570-2780.

PICKLES … AND MORE PICKLES - November 5, 9:00am
Remember those good pickles that Gigi Hill makes? Well, she's going to make them to sell at the Advent Fair to help support the MISSION 1 goal of $1100.00 at EUCC. Want to help make them? Join us in the church kitchen at 9:00am on Saturday, November 5!

EVENTS & NEWS

THE CROP WALK IS COMING! - Today, 12:30pm
The CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) Walk is coming! The main St. Louis walk-a-thon is on Sunday, October 30 at 12:30pm in Tower Grove Park. Seventy-five percent of the money raised goes to Church World Service (CWS), an ecumenical relief and development agency. The remainder of the money benefits local Operation Food Search (a food bank). We'd love to have you walk with us! We'd also be delighted to have your financial support. Stop by the CROP table in the narthex or drop a check in the offering plate (to CWS/CROP).

AARON BAN'S ORDINATION - Today, 4:00pm
Aaron Ban, Eden graduate, will be ordained on Sunday, October 30 at 4:00pm. The service will be held at Eden Seminary's chapel. There will be a reception following the service. He and his family invite you to join in the celebration of his ordination.

EUCC Foundation Quarterly Report
September 30, 2011

As all investments have experienced in the last six months, the EUCC Foundation assets declined from $185,854 on March 31 to $164,412 on September 30, 2011. These funds are invested in a Balanced Fund account (60% equities -40% bonds) with the United Church Funds.

Quarterly disbursements from this account are made to the EUCC General Fund Budget, $2,041.12 (July 1, 2011) and $1,895.91 (Sept 30, 2011). 5% of the Foundation's total annual return is currently allocated to the 2011 General Fund of the church.

Support of the ministry at EUCC can be continued in perpetuity through a gift to the Endowment Fund. Information outlining the many ways to contribute is available by the church office or you may contact one of the Trustees; Don Hubatka, Bob Karr, Loretta Haggard (Secretary) or Doug Cormack (Chairman).

**Copies of the full report are available in the narthex.*

For a complete, up to date calendar visit our website:

THIS WEEK AT EUCC

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30
8:30am Worship Service
9:45am Coffee Fellowship
9:45am Adult Ed
Children's Church School
Jr/Sr High Classes
New Member Class
Parent Group
11:00am Worship Service
12:00pm Youth Music
3:00pm Korean Drumming Circle
5:15pm Castlewood Support Group

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31
Happy Halloween!

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1
8:00am Shining Rivers Parent Toddler Class
9:30am Amy's Yoga
10:00am Orchard House Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2
8:00am Shining Rivers Parent Toddler Class
6:30pm Children's Choir

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3
8:00am Shining Rivers Parent Toddler Class
9:30am WG Mom's Connection
7:00pm Chancel Choir
7:00pm Amy's Yoga

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4
8:00am Shining Rivers Parent Toddler Class
7:00pm Family Drum Circle
7:00pm Girl Scout Behavior Education Set Up

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5
8:00am Girls Scout Behavior Education Workshop
9:00am Huppert Lessons
3:00pm Sts C&F Convocation
5:00pm Sts C&F Worship

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Joining us for the first time?

In a word: *Welcome*
Whoever you are, wherever you are on the journey, you are truly welcome here. We are human and fallible, but utterly committed to God's extravagant welcome!

Worship Rules: *Enjoy*
Some people clap, some don't. Some babies make noise, some don't. Some people read music, some people look at pictures. We stand and either speak or sing together occasionally, but do what feels right for you. Likewise with clothes; some people wear suits with sneakers, some wear hockey uniforms with ruby slippers. Whatever style is yours, it's safe here. *Enjoy your time with us!*

Coffee: *Your choice*
Bring your own or fill up with the pot in the Fireside Room. Bring it in to worship, or not; decaf or regular. *It's your choice!*

Difference: *Bring it on!*
We don't simply tolerate our difference, we celebrate the wonder of the sacred in our differences… not only age, race, gender, ability, and orientation, but politics and theology too!

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nursing mothers welcome!

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

	Today	November 6
Church School ***Center Helpers***	Loretta Haggard	Loretta Haggard Stacey Morris Jeff Morris
Church School ***Storyteller***	*No Storyteller this week*	Loretta Haggard
Church School ***Welcome Table Host***	Loretta Haggard	Chris Reinhard
Coffee Hour	Jenny Beckman	Susan Morgan Gigi Hill
Crib Room	8:30 Rebecca Sommer 10:30 Michelle Helms	8:30 Jan Ittner 10:30 Marie Keath
Liturgist	8:30 Nancy Reiter 11:00 Matt Groner	8:30 Debbie Gregg 11:00 Marilyn Stavenger
Money Counters	Paul Kachulis Ken Ulmer	Bobbie Pahmeier Sandy Bowe
Shepherds	Chris Reinhard Jane Miles	Loretta Haggard
Ushers	8:30 Paul Kachulis 11:00 Earl Brown Gigi & Bob Hill Bob Karr	8:30 Matt Groner David Faulkner 11:00 Geno & Lola Contestabile Laura Bardelmeier
Welcome Table	Mickey Clarke	*Open*

SUNDAY MUSIC

	Today	November 6
8:30am	Solo	Paul Huppert
11:00am	Chancel Choir, Instrumental Ensemble	Chancel Choir

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