#### **Prayer and Care List**

Please pray for those who are homebound, sick and grieving:

At home: Liz & Vann Johnson, Aubrey Roane, Anne Eastes,

Harriet Heath, Pat Spear *Churchland House*: Ed Heath

Lake Prince Woods: Sarah Brown, Milt Brown

Mayfair House: Mary Alice Thomasson

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Calendar

**November 24** 12pm NoonDay Concert

**November 25** 7pm Southside Band Rehearsal

November 27-28 Church Office Closed for Thanksgiving



**November 23, 2025** 

**Reign of Christ Sunday** 

11:00 a.m.

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**ENTRANCE** 

Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude** Thanksgiving Suite

Monumental Bells

**Introit** Ash Grove

\*Call to Worship Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Serve the Lord with gladness, come into his presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his:

We are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gate with thanksgiving and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him, bless his name.

For the Lord is good. His steadfast love endures forever and his faithfulness to all generations.

\*Hymn Come, Ye Thankful People Come Hymnal #694

Reception of New Members Ray and Jeannette Hollowell

#### LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

For the beauty of creation, for fields and forests, rivers and skies,

## We give you thanks, O Lord.

For homes that shelter, for food that nourishes, and love that sustains,

# We give you thanks, O Lord.

For meaningful work, for rest and renewal, for friends and family,

### We give you thanks, O Lord.

For the gift of Jesus Christ, for grace beyond measure, for hope that does not disappoint,

### We give you thanks, O Lord.

For your church, your Spirit, and your mission in the world, We give you thanks, O Lord.

Accept our thanks and praise. Let our gratitude overflow into generous and joyful living. Amen.

**Scripture Lesson** *Philippians 4:4-9* 

Offertory

AnthemWith Hearts and HandsJ. RutterDoxologypage 94

**Hymn** Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart Hymnal #160

**Sermon** *Led By a Star and Giving Thanks* 

## **Morning Prayers**

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,

Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his son,

Give thanks.

Pastoral Prayer

Silence

The Lord's Prayer

**SING** 

\*Hymn Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah Hymnal #127

\*Benediction

**Postlude** Now Thank We All Our God S. Karg-Elert

\*Please stand if you are able.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Today's Vol. and Health & Safety Team Assignments:

Vol.1, S. Tarkenton check-in; Vol. 2, J. Epperson (R1) greeter at Chapel entry door; Vol. 3, B. Richardson (R2), greeter at Dinwiddie Street door/Acolyte; Vol. 4, J. Thacker (R3), Addnl. H&S Resp.

Please check the **Caring Ministry** white board to see who may need a call, card or visit. Reach out to a church member to let them know you care.

**NoonDay Concert-** Monday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon featuring the James River Ringers Handbell Quartet. A \$5.00 lunch to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

**Annual Lancaster Concert**-Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 4pm

**Christmas Dinner Theater**-entitled "Another Cora Christmas" on Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 5pm. Reservations are required by Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup> by calling 757-397-1297 or emailing monumentalumc.office@gmail.com

Invite your friends to worship with us online. The service is on our website and on YouTube.