

# ST. PAUL & ST. ANDREW

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Join us as we build a community of radical welcome that follows Jesus into the streets of the city to increase the amount of love and justice in the world.

K Karpen  
Lea Matthews  
Andrea Steinkamp  
Pastors

## Thanksgiving Sunday

November 19, 2023  
at 11 am



Making a Thankful Tree at Faith & Fun Friday

# Sunday, November 19, 2023 ♦ Thanksgiving Sunday

♦ Please rise in body or spirit

<b>Prelude</b>	<b>Frank Glass</b> <b>The Ninety and Nine</b> Elizabeth Clephane (1868) & Ira Sankey (1874); arr. Frank Glass (2022)
<b>Call To Worship ♦</b>	<b>K Karpen &amp; Lea</b> <b>I Will Call Upon the Lord</b> (pg. 4)
<b>Opening Hymn ♦</b>	<b>We Gather Together</b> (pg. 4, v. 1-2)
<b>Opening Prayer</b> By Alan Paton, alt	<b>Lea Matthews</b>
<b>Prayer Song</b>	<b>We Gather Together</b> (pg. 4, v. 3)
<b>Reading</b>	<b>Aurora Celestin</b> “ <b>Gratefulness</b> ” by Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel
<b>Hymn</b>	<b>We Gather Together</b> (pg. 4, v. 4)
<b>Message for All Ages</b>	<b>Andrea Steinkamp</b> <i>Youth &amp; kids are invited up front to the chancel. After the message, kids 10 and under are invited to Sunday School in the Chapel.</i>
<b>Hymn</b>	<b>Come, Ye Thankful People, Come</b> (pg. 6)
<b>Gospel Reading ♦</b>	<b>Savannah Ritz, Griffin Lockette</b> <b>Matthew 25: 14-30</b> (pg. 5)
<b>Gospel Song ♦</b>	<b>Spirit, Open My Heart</b> (pg. 6, v. 1-2)
<b>Homily</b>	“ <b>Grateful</b> ” <b>K Karpen</b>
<b>Tiny Testimonials</b>	<b>Ping Kwan</b> <b>Nancy Meyers</b> <b>Bill Crawford</b> Between each testimonial, we sing <b>Spirit, Open My Heart</b> (pg. 6, v. 3)
<b>Song</b>	<b>Gracias a la Vida</b> <b>Hazzan Ari Priven, Cantor of B’nai Jeshurun</b>

**Welcome &  
Passing the Peace ♦  
Peace Song ♦**

**K Karpen**

*Please greet those right around you with 'Peace be with you'.*

**Od yavo shalom aleinu**

Od yavo shalom aleinu, od yavo shalom aleinu,  
od yavo shalom aleinu ve al-kulam  
Salaam! Aleinu ve al kol ha-olam, salaam, shalom!

May your hope for peace pursue us,  
may your living peace work through us.  
May your peace at last come to us, to everyone!  
Salaam, to us and to each person on earth, salaam, shalom.

**Love in Action  
Love in Action Pledge  
Campaign for 2024\***

**Julia Tulloch**

**Peggy Griffin-Jackman**

**Offering  
Offertory**

*Of tithes, gifts, pledges, and prayers (pg. 3, 8)*

**Chancel Choir**

**The Shining Shore**

David Nelson (1835) & George Root (1855); arr. Frank Glass (2023)

**Prayer of Gratitude**

**Robert Harris**

**Sending Song ♦**

**Marching to Zion** (pg. 7)

**Benediction ♦**

**K Karpen**

**Postlude**

**Frank Glass**

**The Heavenly Airplane** James Walbert (1948)

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*Childcare (ages 1-3) is available in the Chapel.*

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# Call to Worship: I Will Call Upon the Lord

One: I will call upon the Lord,

**Many: I will call upon the Lord,**

One: Who is worthy to be praised,

**Many: Who is worthy to be praised,**

One: So shall I make friends...

**Many: So shall I make friends with my enemies;**

One: The Lord liveth! And blessed be the Rock  
and may the God of my salvation be exalted.

**Many: The Lord liveth! And blessed be the Rock  
and may the God of my salvation be exalted.**

One: For the beauty of the earth,

**Many: For the beauty of the earth,**

One: For the beauty of the skies,

**Many: For the beauty of the skies,**

One: For the love that...

**Many: For the love that lies all around us,**

One: Sing praises! Give thanks unto the Lord,  
and let the children of all nations sing together!

**Many: Sing praises! Give thanks unto the Lord,  
and let the children of all nations sing together!**

## We Gather Together



1. We ga - ther to - geth - er to ask for God's bless ing, who chas - tens and has - tens, God's  
2. Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing, or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing the



will to make known. The wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis -  
kin - dom di - vine. So from the be - gin - ning, the fight we were



tress - ing. Sing prais - es to God's name, who for - gets not God's own.  
win - ning, thou, Lord, wast at our side. All glo - ry be thine!

3. We gather to give you our praise in Thanksgiving, with power this hour your people to be.  
May your congregation escape tribulation. Your name be praised forever. O Lord, keep us free.

4. We pray to regain a small sense of the mystery, to lift us from hunting and hurting and hate.  
May all of our living reflect our thanksgiving. Gratefulness and love are what make the soul great.

*Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626  
Transcribed by Theodore Baker, 1894, *altered*  
K Karpen (after Abraham Heschel), 2022

16th-Century Dutch Melody  
Arranged by Edward Kremser, 1877

## Reading: “Gratefulness” by Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel

To pray is to regain a sense of the mystery that animates all beings, the divine margin in all attainments. Prayer is our humble answer to the inconceivable surprise of living. It is all we can offer in return for the mystery by which we live. Who is worthy to be present at the constant unfolding of time? Amidst the meditation of mountains, the humility of flowers—wiser than all alphabets—clouds that die constantly for the sake of God’s glory, we are hating, hunting, hurting. Suddenly we feel ashamed of our clashes and complaints in the face of the tacit glory in nature. It is so embarrassing to live! Only one response can maintain us: gratefulness for witnessing the wonder, for the gift of our unearned right to serve, to adore, and to fulfill. It is gratefulness which makes the soul great.

## Gospel Reading: Matthew 25: 14-30 trans. THE INCLUSIVE BIBLE

“Again, it’s like a wealthy landowner who was going on a journey and called in three workers, entrusting some funds to them. The first was given five thousand dollars, the second two thousand, and the third one thousand, according to each one’s ability. Then the landowner went away. Immediately the worker who received the five thousand went and invested it and made another five. In the same way, the worker who received the two thousand doubled that figure. But the worker who received the one thousand instead went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried the money.

“After a long absence, the traveler returned home and settled accounts with them. The one who had received the five thousand came forward bringing the additional five, saying, ‘You entrusted me with five thousand, here are five thousand more.’

“The landowner said, ‘Well done!’ You are a good and faithful worker. Since you were dependable in a small matter, I will put you in charge of larger affairs. Come, share my joy!’

“The one who had received the two thousand then stepped forward with the additional two, saying, ‘You entrusted me with two thousand;

here are two thousand more.’

“The landowner said to this one, ‘Cleverly done! You too are a good and faithful worker. Since you were dependable in a small matter, I will put you in charge of larger affairs. Come, share my joy!’

“Finally, the one who had received the one thousand stepped forward and said to the landowner, ‘Knowing your ruthlessness—you who reap where you did not sow and gather where you did not stuffer—and fearing your wrath, I went off and buried your thousand dollars in the ground. Here is your money back.’

“The landowner exclaimed, ‘You worthless, lazy lout! So you know that I reap where I don’t sow and gather where I don’t scatter, do you? All the more reason to deposit my money with the bankers, so that on my return I could have had it back with interest! You there! Take the thousand away from this bum and give it to the one with the ten thousand.

“Those who have, will get more until they grow rich, while those who have not, will lose even the little they have. Throw this worthless one outside into the darkness, where there is wailing and grinding of teeth.’



# Spirit, Open My Heart

Spi-rit, o - pen my heart\_ to the joy and pain of liv-ing.\_ As you love, may I  
love\_\_\_\_\_ in re - ceiv-ing and in giv-ing.\_ Spi-rit, o - pen my heart.\_

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The first staff contains the first line of the melody with lyrics underneath. The second staff continues the melody with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Spi-rit, o - pen my heart\_ to the joy and pain of liv-ing.\_ As you love, may I love\_\_\_\_\_ in re - ceiv-ing and in giv-ing.\_ Spi-rit, o - pen my heart.\_"

2. Spirit, open my life. Let me be a cheerful liver.  
As we sow, may we reap, for you love a cheerful giver.  
Spirit, open my life.
3. Spirit, open our hearts, full of gratitude and kindness  
Spreading joy, giving love; leaving doubt and fear behind us  
Spirit, open our hearts.

Ruth Duck, 1994  
K Karpen, 2020

Irish Folk Tune  
WILD MOUNTAIN THYME

## Faith & Fun Friday



# Marching to Zion



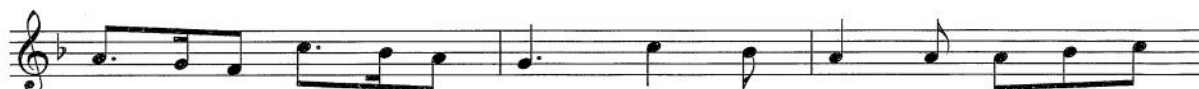
1. Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known. Join in a song with  
4. Then let our songs a-bound and ev-'ry tear by dry.—We're march-ing through Em-



sweet ac - cord, join in a song with sweet ac - cord, and thus sur -  
man - uel's ground, we're march - ing through Em - man - uel's ground to fair - er



round the throne, and thus sur-round the throne.— We're march - ing to Zi - on,  
worlds on high, to fair - er worlds on high!— We're march - ing to Zi - on,



beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful Zi - on! We're march - ing up - ward to  
beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful Zi - on! We're march - ing up - ward to



Zi - on, the beau - ti - ful ci - ty of God! \_\_\_\_\_  
Zi - on, the beau - ti - ful ci - ty of God! \_\_\_\_\_

Isaac Watts, 1707  
Refrain by Robert Lowry, 1867

Robert Lowry, 1867

## Youth Retreat to Camp Olmstead



# Prayers

## Joy & Thanksgiving

The support of prayer and community  
The election in Virginia  
Teachers and counselors who listen  
Janet's knitting  
Amy's mom's health  
For Mary McM's brother, Robert E's successful vocal cord surgery  
Ohio passed protection for abortion and reproductive rights  
Susan M and her deep caring of Gemstain  
For SPSA  
For Lea M  
Jon D has finished his one act concert drama, and prayers that it is heard and understood.

## Health & Healing

Amy having dental surgery  
Continued prayers for Sydney' health, to hold her up to keep strong as she moves on to next steps and procedures in her medical care  
Continued prayers for friend Keyona W. with ongoing treatments for colon cancer

## Comfort

For Elizabeth and her family, and all who cared for Gemstain, as they navigate their grief  
David M grieving the passing of his wife Sandra

## Work & Life

To remember the impact our departed loved ones had and continue to have on us  
That Amy's Aunt Barbara Dean get proper care  
Travel mercies for all those traveling over the holidays

Success for SPSA's holiday baking project  
And that those doing the baking find the necessary time and stamina  
For the Secretary General of the U.N., that he'll be able to continue to do his job  
That people have a safe place to talk and be heard that people are able to laugh, smile, and grieve as needed, alone or together  
For making good decisions that best suit our souls  
That people have a safe place to talk and be heard  
Arelis F's developing worker cooperative initiative blooms into its full potential

## Peace & Justice

For the end of violence and suffering in the Israel and Palestine; and all those around the world feeling hopeless as to how to end the carnage.  
For a ceasefire in Gaza, the release of all Palestinian & Israeli hostages; peace with justice in the Middle East  
Israelis & Palestinians in war zone; Americans in pain over Gaza struggles  
The U.N., their shelters, and all of the doctors providing care in Israel and Gaza  
Peace and understanding in the U.S. among people of all faiths.  
Intentional prayers that we may all be able to look through other lens in time of strife and war.  
Gaza, Israel, Ukraine, Afghanistan, all suffering places around world  
Wisdom for our leaders and an end to doxing and violent confrontations on college campuses  
For the resolution of conflict and political

# Getting Connected & Sharing Your Prayers



We are thrilled you are here this morning, and we hope you will like to get connected with our community. To join us in the work of increasing justice and love in the world, use your smartphone's camera to Scan this QR code or pick up a Connection Card available at the Welcome Tables. Our church community also uses this digital or physical card to share joys and concerns. Each week, our staff prays for our community and invites prayers from all. If you do not wish for your prayer to shared with the church community, please indicate your desire with your prayer.



Or text "Give" to  
646-971-9400

# Gifts & Offerings

Your Gifts make church happen! If you would like to make a contribution, visit [stpaulandstandrew.org/give](http://stpaulandstandrew.org/give), scan the QR code above, or text "Give" to 646-971-9400. Gifts can also be dropped into the donation boxes at the Welcome Tables.



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# Last Sunday: Worship, Cooperative Parish Conference,



# National Fund for Sacred Places Orientation in Philly





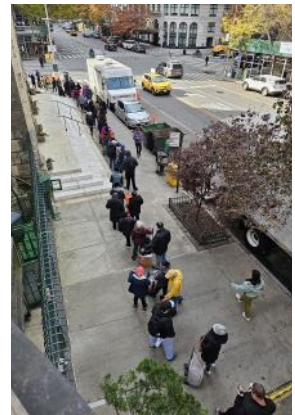
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## Assisting our new neighbors on Monday & Wednesday



...and WSCAH surpasses a single day record ...900+ customers



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# Putting Love in Action

**United Women In Faith** conversation on *The Wisdom of Your Body* by Hillary McBride, PhD immediately following worship today.

**Cookie and Pie Baking** for the Goddard-Riverside Community Thanksgiving Dinner, beginning today from 12:30-5, Mon from 5-7pm, and Tue from 4-9pm. Let Charlene know if you'd like to be part of this project. And if you pledge cookies, please drop off times are today until 5pm or tomorrow from 4-7pm.

**Happy Thanksgiving** The building will be closed on Thursday.

## Ongoing Programs

**Chancel Choir** meets each Sunday at 10am. See Frank for details.

**Campus Ministry** meets each Monday at 7pm at Broadway Presbyterian, 114th. Email Ekama\* for additional details.

**Pajama Prayers** our Tuesday prayer gathering on Zoom at 7:30am. Come as you are with whatever is on your heart. Meeting ID : 831 7700 2923 Phone: 646-931-3860

**Pilates with Nancy** an hour-long strengthening and stretching class on Zoom, Thursdays at 6pm. Email Brent\* for details.

**Children** meet for Sunday School, and on the 2nd Friday of each month at 5:30pm for Faith & Fun Fridays. Email Andrea\* for details!

**Youth Group** Email Ekama\* for details on upcoming gatherings.

**Young Adults** Email Andrea\* for details on upcoming gatherings.

## Volunteer Ops in the Building

### Assisting Our New Neighbors

Sign up to help with Miracle Monday via Lotsa Helping Hands ([rg.by/u670b](http://rg.by/u670b)).

**Winter Coat Drive** Miracle Monday partner & host Venezuelans & Immigrant Aid is collecting winter coats. Their goal is to distribute 1000. Help by bringing new or lightly used winter coats for our clothing store drop-offs: Sun, Nov 26 & Dec 3 (1-2p) or Mon, Nov 27 & 4 (8-9am)

**Homework Help Tutoring** Wednesday evenings (6-7pm). We are working with many new arrivals, and we could use your help. Please see Charlene ([charlenefloyd@aol.com](mailto:charlenefloyd@aol.com))

### West Side Campaign Against Hunger (WSCAH)

needs help and support. Volunteer through New York Cares or email [volunteer@wscah.org](mailto:volunteer@wscah.org). Contributions can be made at [www.wscah.org/donate](http://www.wscah.org/donate)

## Other Good Stuff in the Building

**Bedlam Theater** *Arcadia* by Tom Stoppard, October 17-December 10 Visit [wetnyc.org](http://wetnyc.org) for tickets.

## Broadway Inspirational Voices

presents *Hope in Harmony*, on Monday, Dec 11 at 7pm. BIV is looking for volunteers...sign up by 11/24 at [forms.gle/TYgsBbmfZnd8qBLw8](https://forms.gle/TYgsBbmfZnd8qBLw8)

## Bending Toward the Light: A Jazz

**Nativity** returns on Monday, Dec 18 at 8pm, featuring the Kings Chris Brubekc (trombone), Maurice Chestnut (tapper) and Bobby Sanabria (timbales). Tickets available through Eventbrite