



**CENTER BRUNSWICK
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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November 17th, 2024
Thanksgiving Sunday/Christ the King Sunday
GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE: It Is Well With My Soul

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUIET HYMN: Come, Ye Thankful People, Come #694

SILENT PRAYER

BELL INTROIT: *We Gather Together*

***HYMN: Now Thank We All our God** #102

CENTERING FOR WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Come, let us celebrate the goodness of God.

P: God has blessed us with God's great love.

L: Let us come to this time, letting go of our worries.

P: Let us come to this time praising God.

L: Come, now is the time to worship.

P: We come rejoicing, for God is so good to us. Amen.

*** PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Awesome God, forgive us when we forget that you are enough. Save us from the endless and anxious pursuit of more and grant us the peace that passes all understanding—the peace only you can provide. God, replace our fear with gratitude for all the ways you care for us. Teach us to remember your faithfulness so that we may live with joy and thanksgiving. Amen.

ANTHEM: Thanks Be To God

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Joel 2:21-27

Matthew 6:25-33

***HYMN: Give Thanks**

#2036

THE WORD OF GOD EXPLORED

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GRATEFUL RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

***DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTOR

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kindom 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 kindom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

***HYMN: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

#89

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: Amazing Grace

**Indicates standing if that is comfortable for you.*

Center Brunswick Birthdays & Anniversaries

25—Patrick Little

How vast and deep is your love, O God, for us and for all the world? As we thank you for the beauty of creation and the gift of life, we turn to you for strength and guidance to help those in our world who need care and healing. May your Spirit bring your people to truly live faithfully as disciples of Christ. Amen.

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We are a blessed people. In this season of Thanksgiving, it is good that we recall God's many gifts in our lives and the grace God has given us to help us use them all for good. As we ready ourselves to join the great Feast of Thanksgiving, a feast which God has made for us in Christ Jesus, let us consider just how welcome we are to receive of it – all of us – and to share the gifts of it for the sake of the world. There are many gifts of God, and they are made real in this meal and the family of God gathered around it. Let us bring forth our tithes and offerings.

<https://tithe.ly/give?c=1464479>

Abundant God, the prophecy says you are coming with the clouds for every eye to see. Until that day, may the tithes and offerings we bring each week make your kingdom real in this community and this world in need. May these gifts bring light to those who walk in darkness, hope to those who live in despair, and justice to those who are oppressed. Grant to each giver a sense of participation in the most significant opportunity of all time: to share your love with the world. To this end, we dedicate ourselves and our offerings. Amen.

Happy Thanksgiving,
Pastor Joel