

**JEFFERSON UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**716 GILL HALL ROAD**  
**JEFFERSON HILLS, PA 15025**

**Inspire Faith,  
Develop Relationships,  
and Encourage Community!**

**November 19, 2023**  
**Thanksgiving & Consecration**

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** **Rev. Sharon Stewart**

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

**People: We glorify our God with songs of thanksgiving and joy.**

Leader: God has done great things for us, filling us with grace.

**People: God fed our ancestors in the wilderness; God clothes us with hope.**

Leader: We will offer our hearts to God, always saying, 'Thank you!' to the One who loves us. **People: We will sing our praises, proclaiming God's goodness in our lives.**

**\*HYMN: "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" PURPLE #367**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)**

**Gracious Creator, You have given us so much,  
but too often we take those gifts for granted,  
or as something to which we are entitled.  
You call us to live in caring community,**

**but too often we place our wants and needs first,  
with those of others a distant second.  
You call us to share Your gifts with the world around us,  
but we are worried that there may not be enough,  
and our worrying gets in the way of our sharing.  
For all the times when we mistreat and misuse Your gifts,  
for all the times we assume that we get what we have by  
ourselves, forgive us and lead us back to Your path.  
In Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*SONG OF RESPONSE PURPLE #582**

**Glory to God, Whose goodness shines on me  
And to the Son, Whose grace has pardoned me  
And to the Spirit, Whose love has set me free!  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, amen.**

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11**

**SHARING Joseph Menozzi**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Deuteronomy 8:6-18**

**SERMON: "Thanks-living" Rev. Dr. Kristin Widrich**

**\*HYMN: "Now Thank We All Our God" PURPLE #643**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed PURPLE pg. 35**

**PASTORAL AND LORD'S PRAYER PURPLE pg. 35**

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY PURPLE #34**

**\*LITANY OF CONSECRATION**

**\*HYMN: "Take My Life" PURPLE #697**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

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## **LITANY OF CONSECRATION**

Leader: Creator of all, the earth is yours, the world, and all who live in it.

***People: You have entrusted us with gifts – time, talent, energy, money – and asked us to use them to build your kingdom. With thanks and praise we respond to your call.***

Leader: We bring these gifts that you have given, returning your generosity, blessing others as you have blessed us.

***People: We offer ourselves, our lives, our hopes and fears, our dollars and our hours. We commit ourselves to work for your world, to love and serve wherever you may call.***

Leader: We ask your blessing on this, your church, as we seek to follow you with heart, mind, and soul.

***People: Bless also these gifts, our investment in your future, that they may multiply in faith, hope, and love. Amen.***

## **THIS WEEK AT JUPC**

***Sunday, November 19*** – Thanksgiving and Consecration

9:15 Adult Sunday School in Grace Place

10:30 Prayer Corner in the Sanctuary

11:00 Worship in the Sanctuary

12:00 Congregational Meeting to elect officers

6:30 Women's Bible Study via Zoom

***Sunday, November 26***

9:15 Adult Sunday School in Grace Place

11:00 Worship and Children's Worship

12:00 Hanging of the Greens

6:30 Women's Bible Study via Zoom

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

***Sunday, December 10*** – Christmas Pageant

Christmas Party immediately following worship

Message to our Guests,

***We are delighted to welcome you this morning! We hope that you will experience the grace, peace, and love of God in this place, and that you will feel at home among our church family.***

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