

Use the following worship guide as we gather on Sunday morning via Zoom. Simply click here:

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The Service of Worship  
First and St. Stephen's United Church of Christ  
Baltimore, Maryland  
Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost-Year B

October 27, 2024

10:30 a.m.



Prelude

Welcome

Call To Worship NCH #741

*"I Was Glad"*

Opening Hymn NCH #42

*"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"*

AZMON

*~ as you are able, please stand ~*

Reading from Psalms 34 vs. 1-8

Liturgist

Response MV #46

*"Bless The Lord"* (see insert)

Psalms 34 vs. 19-22

Liturgist

Response NCH #722

*"Nothing Can Trouble"*

BERTHIER

Sharing of Our Joys and Concerns

Lord Listen to Your Children Praying"

Music by Ken Medema

**Remember these known joys and concerns:**

- Peace in our world, and in our hearts
- Those impacted by hurricanes, war, and famines
- Karen Lovelace preparing for surgery
- Freeman Palmer, Conference Minister
- Chelsea Haas Adler expecting her first child
- Laura Weaver, and her family, especially her mother
- Jen's friend, Andrew and his family
- Bryce-Jen Langdon's nephew
- For these, and those held in our hearts, we pray.

*Kyrie, Eleison, Christe Eleison, Kyrie Eleison*

Music by William S. Kervin

Assurance of Pardon: NCH #474

*"I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me"*

I'M SO GLAD

A Reading from the Gospel

Mark 46-52

Liturgist

*~as you are able, please stand ~*

Hymn NCH #547

*“Amazing Grace How Sweet the Sound”*

AMAZING GRACE

*~ as you are able, please stand ~*

Congregational Anthem NCH #459

NETTLETON

*“Come, O Fount of Every Blessing”*

The Message

*“Hallelujah” (see insert)*

*~ as you are able, please stand ~*

Making an Offering

Please consider making an offering through on-line giving or mail your check to the church address. You can find information on our church web page: [first-ststephens.org](http://first-ststephens.org) You may also place your offering in the offering plate in the sanctuary. Or, you may use the QR Code that is at the end of the announcements.

Prayer of Dedication/Offering *(congregation reads bold print)*

**No gifts have we to offer for all thy love imparts**

**But that which thou desirest, our humble thankful hearts!**

**All good gifts around us**

**Are sent from Heaven above..**

**So thank the Lord, oh thank the Lord for all his love..**

**I really wanna thank you, Lord!** (John Michael Tebelak/Stephen Schwartz)

Closing Hymn

*“This Little Light of Mine”*

TRADITIONAL

*~ as you are able, please stand ~*

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,*

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!*

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!*

*Every day (every day), Every day (every day),*

*Every day, (every day)*

*Gonna let my little light shine!*

Benediction NCH #79

*“May the Sending One Defend You”*

ROLLINGBAY

Postlude

Nancy Chronister

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Welcome! We are glad you are here. If you are visiting with us, please fill out a visitor's card from the back of one of the chairs and place it in the offering plate or hand it to the pastor after the service. Join us for light refreshments immediately after the service in the Gathering Room behind the sanctuary.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Docents needed! We are back in gallery and need people to be docents between noon and 2p.m. on Sundays. If you can stay after worship one Sunday to do that, please contact Sharon Barr (sharonbarr0227@gmail.com).

ACTC is asking for any non-perishable food items. For October, please bring canned soup. For November, please bring canned tuna. Place items in the red wagon in the foyer so they may be delivered weekly. Be watching for details about Thanksgiving Baskets for ACTC.

Thanksgiving Baskets – Once again, we will collect Thanksgiving baskets/bags for the first three weeks of November to take to ACTC's holiday drive. Please see the attached information to this week's e-news as to what specifics go in each bag. Bring those bags with you on Sundays before November 17<sup>th</sup> and place them around the remembrance table.

Changing the Cycles – as the new school year is under way, we return to bringing sanitary products to help those in menstrual poverty. Please bring items to the box in the foyer and help young women remain in school during their cycles.

Save the Date – Fall Church Business Meeting – Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> Come and meet our new Administrative and Financial Assistant at that time.

Coffee Hour Helpers – If every person takes one week to provide and help with coffee hour, it won't be a burden to anyone. Those who have volunteered:

Today – Richard Arrington  
November 3<sup>rd</sup> - Jen Langdon and Carol Berman  
November 10<sup>th</sup> - Gallery Reception  
November 17<sup>th</sup> - Emily Pearl  
November 24<sup>th</sup> - Lois Joellenbeck

To Make an Offering Now



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