



**Fox Chapel
Presbyterian Church
Worship Service for the Lord's Day**

**November 19, 2023
8:15 AM
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

Prelude

Let All Things Now Living (Ash Grove)

Charles Callahan

Welcome and Invitations

Rev. Roger Owens

Call to Worship

(from Hebrews, Psalm 95)

If today we hear God's voice in our hearts, we must follow it.

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Come, everyone, let's sing to the Lord. Let us tell the world that God has saved us. Let us thank him from the bottom of our hearts. Let us sing songs of praise to him.

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Come, let us bow down our heads and pray to God. Let us kneel before the God who made us. He is our God. We are his people. He loves us.

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***Hymn 32**

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Ellacombe

Call to Confession and Silent Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Eternal and merciful God, you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and you have set us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake. Yet we have strayed from your way; we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, through what we have done and what we have left undone. As we remember the lavish gift of your grace symbolized in baptism, O God, we praise you and give you thanks that you forgive us yet again. Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and reigns with you, and in whose strong name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

The God who challenges us is also the God who encourages us. The God who confronts us is also the God who accepts us. Be assured that God is with us even now, accepting, guiding, and forgiving.

Thanks be to God!

***Passing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

All are invited to exchange signs of reconciliation and peace with others.

Scripture Reading

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The asterisk (*) in the bulletin invites you to rise in body or spirit.
Words printed in **bold** are for the congregation to speak in unison.

Offering

Please complete a Connect Card and place it in the offering plate.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

This is Christ's table, and all who seek to follow Christ are welcome at this table, regardless of their age or understanding. Parents are encouraged to bring their children to participate in the sacrament. The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Praise to you, O God, for all your works...

...Therefore with all creation we sing your praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Thank you, O God, for sending us your Son...

...Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us...

...all honor and glory are yours, almighty God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Today we will receive communion by intinction. Starting with the front row, come forward by the middle aisle with open hands. Receive a piece of bread, dip it into the juice, and eat. Gluten-free sealed elements are available on the table.

Prayer after Communion

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Benediction

Postlude

Now Thank We All Our God

Georg Kaufmann

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Participants Today

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