

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost*

*Thanksgiving Sunday*

November 19, 2023

9:45 & 11:00A.M.

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## CHIMING OF THE HOUR

*The bells ring three times to represent the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

**WELCOME** Daniel deShazo

**PRELUDE** *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* arr. Joel Raney

**\*HYMN NO. 62 (vs. 1-4)** *All Creatures of Our God and King* UNS ERFREUEN

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you,

**All: And also with you.**

*Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.*

*The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

Children's Church (11:00) Children ages 3 years old - kindergarten are invited at this time to go with our Children's Ministry leader to Room 160. Please make sure your children are wearing their name tags.

**ANTHEM** *Rondo Passacaglia* Dobrinski  
Riverchase Chancel Ringers

## PASTORAL PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you,

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

## CHORAL RESPONSE

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

**OFFERTORY** *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*  
Sanctuary Choir

## GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

**\*DOXOLOGY** OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**SERMON** 9:45 Boiled Okra and Dumplin's Rev. Tony Johnson  
Scripture: Luke 17:11-19  
Pew Bible NT 98

11:00 Thanksgiving... The Rest of the Story Rev. John Ray  
Scripture: Matthew 6: 22-34  
Pew Bible NT 7

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

### CONFESSION AND PARDON

Leader: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.  
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

**People: Merciful God,**  
**we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.**  
**We have failed to be an obedient church.**  
**We have not done your will,**  
**we have broken your law,**  
**we have rebelled against your love,**  
**we have not loved our neighbors,**  
**and we have not heard the cry of the needy.**  
**Forgive us, we pray.**  
**Free us for joyful obedience,**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

**All: Glory to God. Amen,**

### THE 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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.  
When we turned away and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.  
You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God,  
and spoke to us through the prophets.  
And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**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.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.  
Your spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor,  
to proclaim release to the captives,  
and recovering of sight to the blind,

to set at liberty those who are oppressed,  
and to announce that the time had come  
when you would save your people.  
He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.  
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection  
you gave birth to your Church,  
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,  
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,  
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:  
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you."  
"Do this in remembrance of me."  
When the supper was over he took the cup,  
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:  
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins."  
"Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving  
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,  
and on these gifts of bread and juice.  
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,  
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,  
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,  
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.  
Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,  
all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

### THE 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. 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 OF THE BREAD AND CUP

**\*HYMN NO. 694** *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* WINDSOR

**\*INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

*God our Maker doth provide for our wants to be supplied.*  
*Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.*

**\*POSTLUDE**      *Now Thank We All Our God*      arr. Paul Manz

\*Please stand as you are able.

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Daniel deShazo, Director of Music and Worship  
Walt Rogers, Organ  
Kathy Wallace, piano  
Sanctuary Choir  
Riverchase Chancel Ringers, Gilda Wilkerson, Director

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Acolytes & Crucifer  
9:45 Charlie Wilkins & Noah Hutchison  
11:00 Charlie Wilkins & Noah Hutchison    Henry Collis

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**ALTAR & NARTHEX FLOWERS**

In honor of Jan and Tom Hall's 45th anniversary today,  
given by Jan & Tom Hall

In celebration of our 40th wedding anniversary, given by Debra & Lee Taylor

In honor of John Ray - you are appreciated and loved,  
given by Shirley & Charles Morris

**SYMPATHY**

To Gordon Paul on the death of his sister, Lisa Dexheimer

**WORSHIP TIMES**

**November 26:**

9:45A.M. Traditional, 11:00A.M. Modern

**December 3:**

*Hanging of the Greens, 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent*

9:45 A.M and 11:00 A.M Traditional, 11:00 A.M. Modern

**December 10:**

*Music Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent*

9:45 A.M Traditional and Modern Combined

**December 17:**

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent*

9:45 A.M and 11:00 A.M Traditional, 11:00 A.M. Modern

**December 24:**

*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent*

9:45 A.M Traditional, 11:00 A.M. Modern

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Services:**

3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 11:00P.M. Traditional, 5:00P.M. Modern

**December 31:**

9:45 A.M Traditional, 11:00 A.M. Modern

**Something New at the 3pm Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion**

While all our services will be family friendly...Our 3pm Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion service will be SUPER KID friendly! While it will remain a fun but reverent service, key components will be led by our children. Not a cutesy pageant but a serious service with children reading the Christmas Story. In addition, they will be responsible for other serious key pieces of worship. Our Children's Choir will also be performing during the service.

**New Light Options for Kids on Christmas Eve!**

As you enter this service, and all other Christmas Eve services, children will have a choice of light. Candle or Glow Stick for Silent Night as we end the service by Candlelight and now Glow Sticks too! This will allow many to participate safely without the fear of lighting someone on fire! :-0 It will be the parent prerogative as to which they should have. No Glow Sticks will be provided for adults!

So, beginning this year all services will be Christmas Eve Candlelight/Glow Stick and Communion Services.

**WAYS TO GIVE**

**CASH OR CHECK**

You can always give to Riverchase by cash or check. We have a time of giving during each service, you can bring your gift to the church office, or you can mail your gift to:

Riverchase UMC  
Attn: Mary Anne Levet  
1953 Old Montgomery Hwy  
Birmingham, AL 35244

**YOUR BANK'S ONLINE OPTIONS**

Many banks now offer online bill payment services. These can be set up for one-time giving or for regularly scheduled gifts; each system is different but you can use the street address above and/or these email addresses: [maryannel@riverchaseumc.org](mailto:maryannel@riverchaseumc.org) or [finance@riverchaseumc.org](mailto:finance@riverchaseumc.org). If you'd like to use this option and need more information from us, please contact Mary Anne Levet.

**TEXT-TO-GIVE**

Our text giving number is (833) 273-1232. Text the word BUDGET and an amount, the word BLDG (for the building fund) and an amount, or the word MISSIONS and an amount to the same number. You can make multiple gifts with a single text by sending, for example, BUDGET 100 BLDG 50 MISSIONS 50 to (833) 273-1232.

**ON-LINE GIVING:**

We have several options: ENGAGE, PayPal, and Venmo. Scan one of the QR codes below, or use one of these links/websites:

[riverchaseumc.org/engage](http://riverchaseumc.org/engage) OR [engage.suran.com/rumcal](http://engage.suran.com/rumcal)

**YOU CAN GIVE THROUGH ENGAGE WITHOUT CREATING AN ACCOUNT.**

[paypal.me/RiverchaseUMC](https://paypal.me/RiverchaseUMC)

Use the PayPal app to send money to @RiverchaseUMC

Use the Venmo app to send money to our Charity account

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