

Gratitude by Joyce Rupp

**To be grateful for what is,
instead of underscoring what is not.**

**To find good amid the unwanted aspects of life,
without denying the presence of the unwanted.**

**To focus on beauty in the little things of life,
as well as being deliberate about the great beauties
of art, literature, music, and nature.**

**To be present to one's own small space of life,
while stretching to the wide world beyond it.**

**To find something to laugh about in every day,
even when there seems nothing to laugh about.**

**To search for and to see the good in others,
rather than remembering their faults and weaknesses.**

**To be thankful for each loving deed done by another,
no matter how insignificant it might appear.**

**To taste life to the fullest,
and not take any part of it for granted.**

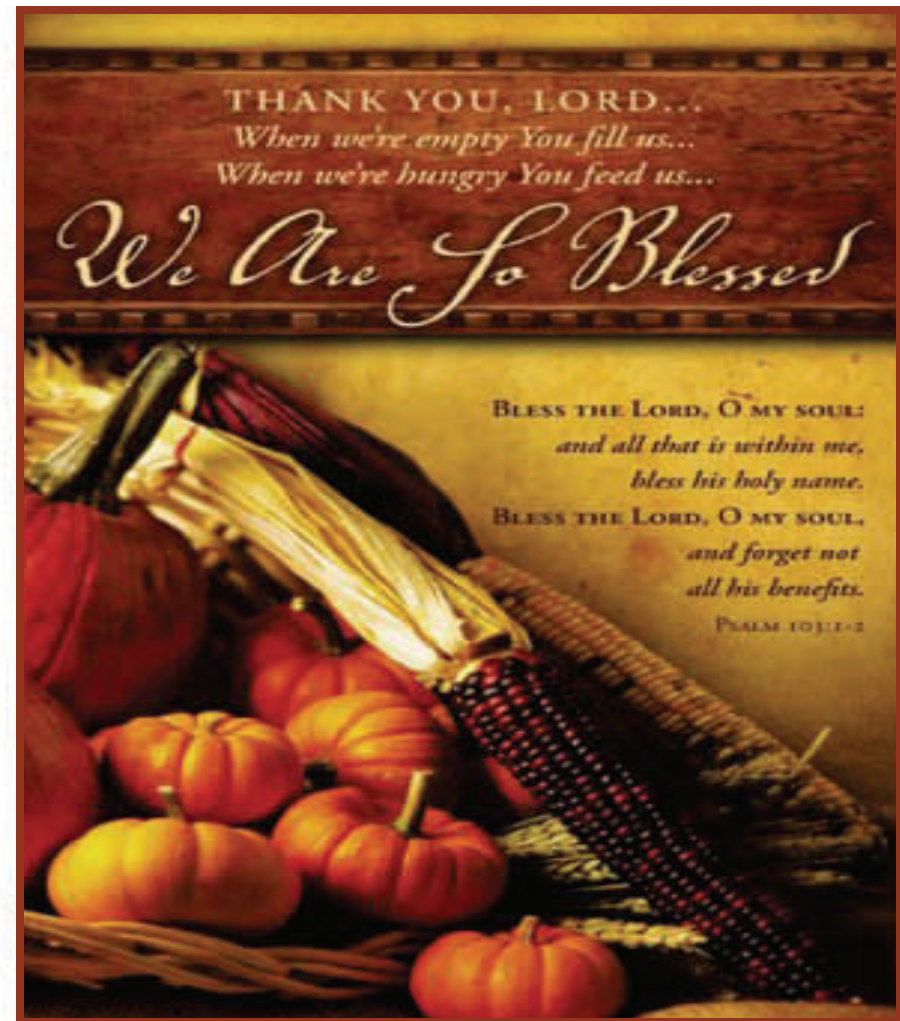
**To see to forgive others for their wrongdoings,
even immense ones, and to put the past behind.**

**To find ways to reach out and help the disenfranchised,
while also preserving their dignity and self-worth.**

**To be as loving and caring as possible,
in a culture that consistently challenges these virtues.**

**To remember to say or send "thank you"
for whatever comes as a gift from another.**

To be at peace with what cannot be changed.



November 14, 2010

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10:00 AM



Welcome to worship with the Fairgreen family! The * symbol means, "All who are able, please stand."



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

SILENT REFLECTION

Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you with all our mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign fellowship book found in pews.

GREETINGS

This is the day that the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Fred Nordhoff, Liturgist

This day! This day we will give thanks to God, who cradles us in the waters of baptism.

This day! This day we will trust in the One who has saved us, who strengthens us.

This day! This day we dance to the fountain of life, drinking deeply of salvation's goodness.

This day! This day we praise our God for every blessing; telling everyone of God's amazing grace in our lives and in our world.

This day! This day we sing God's praises; testifying to all creation of our God.

This day! This day our songs are filled with joy, for God is with us, this day and in all the days to come!

***HYMN ~ #559**

"We Gather Together "

Welcome
Visitors!

We are delighted to have you in our service this morning! Every Sunday, we are privileged to have people attending our church for the first time and we want you to feel welcome among us.

PLEASE SIGN THE FELLOWSHIP BOOK

found in the pews. We would like to know of your presence this morning.

PLEASE SHARE PRAYER JOYS/

CONCERNS on the Prayer card; they will be included in the Prayers of the People during the service, and added to the Prayer Chain.

A PERSONAL SOUND SYSTEM FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED IS AVAILABLE. WORSHIP BULLETINS FOR

CHILDREN are available. Contact an usher for assistance.

SUNDAY SERMON

TAPES are available by contacting the church office.

If you are in need of **Pastoral Care** or know someone who is, please call Rev. Pat at the church (419-475-4436) or her home (419-534-3739) or cell (419-215-2939).

Number who worshiped with us on November 7, 2010: 88

TODAY'S USHERS: Dan Yeager, Capt./ John MacPherson, Jackie Campbell, Richard Redd

TODAY'S GREETERS: Judy Stuart & Catherine McCornack

TODAY'S COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: John MacPherson & Dan Yeager

NEXT SUNDAY'S USHERS: Kay Amendola, Capt./ Linda Hoover, Sharon Durrant, Barb Roadruck

NEXT SUNDAY'S GREETERS: Tim & Michelle Davis

NEXT SUNDAY'S COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: Jan Anderson & Patty Reiter

Special Announcements

Family Promise Wreaths ~ Orders are being taken for these beautiful 22" fresh fir wreaths. The cost is \$10 which includes a tax deductible donation of \$9.00. They are wonderful for your door, fence post, fireplace or cemetery. Delivery is Sunday, Nov. 28th. Deadline for ordering is Friday, November 19th. Remember, they also make great gifts for the person who has everything!

Memorial Meeting ~ We will be meeting on Wednesday, November 17th at 11:00am in the church lounge.

Scrip Cards ~ The Deacons will hold a Scrip Card Contest from November 14—December 12th, 2010. For each \$20 spent in Scrip cards, your name will be entered in a drawing for choice from several free Scrip cards. The drawing will be held on December 19, 2010. A large variety of cards are in stock. Orders take just a few days and can be picked up from the office or delivered to you at church.

Christmas Tea event ~ Sweet Shalom Tea Room will be hosting a tea for Fairgreen families and friends on Sunday, December 5th at 2pm. Yes, a Sunday tea for people who work week days. Christmas in the tea room with the singing of carols and the traditionally lit figgy pudding is a memorable event. You can see a detailed menu on the posters hanging on the entrance doors. Seating is limited. You will find a sign-up sheet on the Welcome Center or you can see Kay Amendola for reservations before November 19th.

Calendar for the Week of November 14-21, 2010

Monday, Nov. 15 ~ Alpha Omega Circle 4pm in the lounge
Adult Co-Ed Volleyball 7-9pm in Commons
Tuesday, Nov. 16 ~ Presbytery Meeting in Lima, Ohio at 10am
Wednesday, Nov. 17 ~ Memorial Meeting 11am in the church lounge
Caring Cupboard Carry out noon
Living the Questions Study from 6-7:30pm in lounge
Thursday, Nov. 18 ~ No Potluck lunch or Lectionary Bible Study
Youth Meeting at 7:30pm at Fairgreen
Friday, Nov. 19 ~ Food Pantry 10-12pm
Saturday, Nov. 20 ~ Men's Prayer Breakfast from 8-9am in the lounge
Sunday, Nov. 21 ~ Christ the King Sunday; Early Adult Bible Study 9am in the lounge; Praise Band will play; Mike Roadruck will be preaching; Great Banquet Board Meeting at 4:30pm followed by the Gathering at 6pm

SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:30-12:30AM

FOR ADULTS:

Early Adult Bible Study 9am.....In Lounge
Bible Study.....In Lounge
Faith Sharing Class.....In Library

FOR CHILDREN:

Nursery Room (birth – Preschool).....(available 9:45am-12:30pm).....Rm.105
Kindergarten (4yrs. old).....Rm 104
Grades 1-8..... Downstairs
9th – 12th grade.....Downstairs Senior High Room

Join us for Coffee Hour after worship in the Commons.

The flowers that grace the Communion Table are given by Mike & Barb Roadruck as they rejoice in the Lord by giving thanks and praise.

Visit **THE CARD TABLE** in the narthex to sign or request cards to remember members of the Fairgreen family. Are you in need of prayer? The **FAIRGREEN PRAYER CHAIN** is here for you. Call Darlene in the church office at 419-475-4436 or Woody Cole at 419-833-1394 or indicate that you have a request for the Prayer Chain on your Prayer card.

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

Rev. Pat

We often think that God is 'out there' somewhere, distant and uncaring. But God hears our hearts, God sees our struggles, God walks with us as we try to be faithful disciples. Let us come to the One who is as close as the very breath we take in this moment to confess the brokenness of our lives.

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We are so easily confused by what the world tells us, Watching God, that we forget the stories of faith we heard as children. We are so fearful of tomorrow, we are not aware of your Spirit with us today. We are so busy wondering, 'what if?' or 'suppose?' we cannot hear the promises you whisper to us.

So once again, Gracious God, have mercy on us. You know our hearts so well—touch them with your grace. You see our deepest fears—heal them with your peace. You hear our secret longings—speak to them of your hope. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

***SILENT CONFESSION**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Rev. Pat

The One who searches our broken hearts has found the way to mend them and make us new people. The good news is that everything God has done in Christ is for us, that we might be made whole.

With kindness, and justice, God makes us new people. We will sing our thanks through all eternity. Great is God, and greatly to be praised! Amen.

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

"The Gloria Patri" (#579)

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

Rev. Pat

KID'S FOR CHRIST ~ The children that are in Preschool through second grade are dismissed to go with their teacher to their class which will be held in the blue room #104.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION
FIRST READING

Psalm 145: 1-5, 17-21

Fred Nordhoff
pg. 979(OT) in the pew Bible

ANTHEM

"Take My Life"

Geneva Choir & Praise Band

SECOND READING
SERMON

Haggai 1: 15b—2: 9

pg. 1469(OT) in the pew Bible
Rev. Pat Lawrence Shafer

"Take Courage! Be Strong! Take Heart!"

THE CHURCH RESPONDS TO GOD

***HYMN ~ #554**

"Let All Things Now Living"

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS, 2011 PLEDGES TO GOD OFFERING

Rev. Pat

***DOXOLOGY (#592)**

Old Hundredth

**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**

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Introduction and Presentation

Presentation of the Candidate ~ Elder Pat Gibson

On behalf of the session, I present **Samantha Small and Lynn Harris** to receive the sacrament of Baptism and to be welcomed into membership of the Fairgreen Presbyterian Church

Questions to the candidates ...

Affirmation of Faith

With the whole church, let us stand and confess our faith reciting together the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Thanksgiving over the water

The Baptism

Samantha Lynn Small, **(Lynn Annette Harris)** I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

O Lord, uphold Sam **(Lynn)** by your Spirit. Give her the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. Amen.

Sam **(Lynn)**, child of the covenant, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit in baptism, and marked as Christ's own forever. Amen.

The Welcome

***HYMN ~ #2249**

"God Claims You"

***CHARGE AND BENEDICATION**

Rev. Pat

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ~ #2226 "Bind Us Together"**

**Bind us together, Lord, bind us together
With cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord,
Bind us together in love.
There is only one God, there is only one King;
There is only one body, that is why we sing.**

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Next Week ~ Christ the King Sunday; Early Adult Bible Study 9am in lounge; Praise Band will play; Mike Roadruck will be preaching; Great Banquet Board Meeting at 4:30pm followed by the Gathering at 6pm

Texts: Colossians 1:11-20; Psalm 46; Luke 23:33-43

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