

and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE GIVING AND RECEIVING OF GIFTS

AND THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

(As you come forward to receive the gifts of God place your offering in the Offering Plate)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Fred Nordhoff

CHARGE, BENEDICTION &

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - Sanctuary (sing it through twice)

(Those who are able, join hands, forming lines across the aisle to symbolize a growing commitment to unity.)

**Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for you. CCLI#1025014**

Next week's texts: 1st Sunday of Advent!

Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25: 1-10; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21: 25-36;

Advent Wreath Lighting ~ Don, Jackie & Kevin Campbell

Liturgist ~ Tim Eichenauer

Congregational meeting to elect church officers and to approve Rev. Pat's Compensation Package for 2007



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 stop by the Welcome Center right after service. We have a special gift for you.**

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 9:15 service, and added to the Prayer Chain if submitted at the 11:30 service.

A PERSONAL SOUND SYSTEM FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED IS AVAILABLE. WORSHIP BULLETINS FOR CHILDREN are available. Contact an usher for assistance.

TAPES OF THIS SUNDAY'S SERMON are available. Contact the church office or Art Sattler.

If you are in need of **Pastoral Care** or know someone who is, please call Rev. Pat at the church (419-475-4436) or at her home (419-841-7954).

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*Every good and perfect gift
is from above,
coming down from the
Father of the heavenly
lights...*



James 1:17



9:15 AM

Welcome to worship with the Fairgreen family! The * symbol means, "All who are able, please stand." † indicates when latecomers may be seated.



Christ the King/Reign of Christ Sunday

PRELUDE Shannon Smith

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Please sign fellowship book found in pews. Bill Henning

This is the day that the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

SILENT REFLECTION Bill Henning

God of mercy, grant that the Word you speak this day may take root in our hearts, and bear fruit to your honor and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CALL TO WORSHIP Bill Henning, Liturgist

Our hearts are glad, our bodies secure, and our souls rejoice.

We bless you, O God.

You, O God, show us the path of life and grant us the pleasures of living.

We worship you, God, and sing your praises now and forever.

*HYMN # 551 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

*CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Geoffrey McLean

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

O God, sometimes, most of the time, actually, we feel caught between competing emotions-between praise and protest, between gratitude and cynicism, between optimism and despair, between thanksgiving and complaints. The dilemma is not merely a subjective one; our lives are pulled in diametrically different directions. We feel spiritually stretched as if on a rack. Relief looks possible only if we relieve the tension and go with one emotion alone. But such a mode of relief poses problems for our integrity; we can't simply close our eyes to difficulties in order to mouth praises. Yet, total cynicism is not a possibility because we know that underneath that which fills us with anxiety are realities that properly evoke gratitude. Great God, enable us to tolerate ambivalence and speak to you as honestly about our thankfulness as about our complaints. God, help us, please. Amen.

11:30 AM

"Celebrate Jesus!" Worship Of Word And Sacrament

GATHERING MUSIC ~ (Instrumental) "Be Unto Your Name" Praise Band

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
(Please sign **fellowship book in pews and place 11:30 after your name.**)

OPENING SET ~ Awesome God; Lord, I Lift Your Name on High; The Power of Your Love;
There Is a Redeemer

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION

RESPONSE ~ My All in All

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT Fred Nordhoff, Liturgist

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise, and ever enjoy Your consolations. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

FIRST READING **Psalm 91: 14-16** Fred Nordhoff
p.931 (OT) in the pew Bible

ANTHEM **"We Are Many Parts"** Praise Band

SECOND READING **Isaiah 48: 17-18** Fred Nordhoff
p.1137 (OT) in the pew Bible

THIRD READING **11 Thessalonians 3: 1-5** p. 1844 (NT) in the pew Bible
SERMON **"Faith Isn't About Perfection...It's About Direction!"** Ken Hulsey

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (sins) During the prayer, speak out loud the name of one who needs prayer and then say, "Lord, in your mercy. All then respond, "...Hear Our Prayers."

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;

Deacons' Wish List ~ Here is a list of items that we are asking you to bring in to help us fill the Food Pantry. They are as follows: toilet paper, shampoo, cans of soup, and crackers.

Coordinator Needed ~ The Deacons are in need of a person who will coordinate the Van Ministry for Fairgreen. If you are interested please call the church office.

IHN Holiday Wreath Sale ~ To order your beautiful 22-inch fresh Fir wreaths ready for decorating please contact Marilyn McAfee at 734-847-3100. The cost is undecorated \$18.00 and decorated with a bow \$21.00. Orders must be received by Sunday, November 26. You can pick up your wreaths the weekend of December 2.

Congregational Meeting ~ A congregational meeting is scheduled for 10:30am on Sunday, December 3rd to elect church officers.

Christmas Bible School ~ The Christmas season is fast approaching! On Saturday, December 3rd from 9:30-12:30pm we are offering here at Fairgreen Church, Christmas Bible School. This is a great opportunity to shop, or just take time for you. So pick up the phone and call the church office and register your children for Christmas Bible School. This is open to children ages 3-8 years old. If you are older and would like to be a helper please contact Denice Skinner.

Hanging of the Greens ~ Come join us for our annual "Hanging of the Greens" on Wednesday, December 6th from 6-8pm. This is a great time of families getting together for fellowship, fun, decorating the church and sharing together around the supper table. Sounds great, doesn't it? Hope to see you all there!

Give Kroger Gift Cards for Christmas and support IHN ~ Kroger's will donate 5% of your purchases to Interfaith Hospitality Network each time you refill a gift card. Please see Jan Anderson to purchase a \$10 gift card that can be refilled using cash, check, or credit card at customer service or at any cashier.

*SILENT CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"The Gloria Patri" (#579)

THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

Rev. Geoffrey McLean

Children second grade and younger may leave afterward for Kids for Christ.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Bill Henning

FIRST READING

Luke 17: 11-19

pg.1627 (NT) in the pew bible

SPECIAL MUSIC

"We Are Many Parts"

Shannon Smith

SECOND READING

James 1: 17-18, 21-27

Rev. Geoffrey McLean
pg.1881(NT) in the pew bible

SERMON

"Thanksgiving: A Christian Holiday?"

Rev. Geoffrey McLean

OUR RESPONSE

*HYMN # 559

"We Gather Together"

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD
OFFERING

Bill Henning

*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.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Bill Henning

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts) pg.16 in the hymnal (traditional)

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING # 555

"Now Thank We All Our God"

*CHARGE & BENECTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE— “Praise God for the Body”

**Praise God for the body,
Praise God for the Son
Praise God for the life,
that brings our hearts in One
Joy is the food we share. Love is our home
Praise God for the body. Shalom, Shalom**

POSTLUDE

Shannon Smith

The Reverend Geoffrey J. McLean is a 1998 graduate of Louisville Seminary. He was born and raised in New Jersey. Rev. McLean has served churches in Indiana and Mississippi. Rev. McLean is married to the former Shelia Russell of Lima, Ohio. He is blessed to have a 14 year old step-son, Johnny and a two year old son, Colin.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 27- DECEMBER 3, 2006

- Monday, November 27 - Alpha Omega Circle 7:00pm in lounge; Adult Volleyball from 7-9pm in Commons**
- Tuesday, November 28 - Staff meeting 10:00am in lounge**
- Wednesday, November 29- Personnel Committee meeting 3:45pm in the lounge**
- Thursday, November 30 - Lectionary Bible Study 11:00am in lounge; Potluck lunch at 12:15pm in Commons; Choir 6pm; Praise Band practice 7:30pm**
- Friday, December 1 - Food Pantry 10-12pm**
- Saturday, December 2 - Christmas Bible School 9:30-12:30pm**
- Sunday, December 3 - Services 9:15 & 11:30 with Communion served at the both services; 1st Sunday of Advent; Wreath Lighting: Don, Jackie & Kevin Campbell ; Liturgist: Tim Eichenauer; Congregational meeting to elect church officers for Class of 2009 and approve the Compensation Package for 2007 for Rev. Pat.**

CHURCH SCHOOL — 10:30 - 11:20 SUNDAY

- Beginners Sunday School Class (3, 4, & 5 yr. olds & 1st grade).....Rm. 104
- Grades 2,3, 4, 5.....Rm. 106
- Junior High (grades, 6, 7, 8).....Junior High Room (downstairs)

Senior High (grades 9-12).....Senior High Room (downstairs)

FOR ADULTS:

- Bible Study.....Lounge
- Faith Sharing Class.....Library Room 102
- Nursery Room Available.....Rm.105
- Kids for Christ—after Time With The Younger Church during 9:15am worship (3years old through 2nd grade)..... Rm. 110

There will be **Coffee Hour and Fellowship** in the **Commons** at **10:30am**.

Information for the Newsletter should be received by the 3rd Sunday of each month.

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 Leone Sattler at 419-474-1723 or Darlene in the church office at 419-475-4436 or indicate that you have a request for the Prayer Chain on your Prayer card.

Number who worshiped with us on November 19, 2006: 104

TODAY'S GREETERS & WELL WISHERS 9:15: Joanne Crammond

TODAY'S USHERS: Kay Amendola, Capt., Dan Yeager, Ken & Nan Bennett

NEXT SUNDAY'S USHERS: Ken Campbell, Capt., Mary Ellen Campbell, Linda Hoover,
George Kadesch

NEXT SUNDAY'S GREETERS: Kay Amendola

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Van Can Sunday ~ Today is “Van Go” Sunday and by your monthly contributions it will help in defraying the cost of gasoline for the van. The van has been used for so many different events in the church, as well as bringing people to church on Sunday morning. Please help us by stopping by the Welcome Center and placing your donation in the “**Van Can**”. Thank you!

20th Annual Fall/Winter Concert ~ Our own Gary Herren will be performing as part of this concert. This will take place on Sunday, November 26, 2006 at 2:00 pm at the Historic Ohio Theatre, 3114 Lagrange St. Toledo, Ohio. The cost is \$7.00 per person and children 12 and under are free with an adult. Featured in the concert is the Polish-American Concert Band under the direction of Jim Mackiewicz and also Randy Krajewski on the accordion premiering his new work “Trylogja Lagrinka” (Lagrange Trilogy). To purchase tickets please call 419-241-9537.