

# Nurture Good News

"For all of you share in God's grace." (Philippians 1:7)



## INDEPENDENCE PRESBYTERIAN THE OLD STONE CHURCH OF INDEPENDENCE

### DEDICATION SUNDAY & HARVEST IN-GATHERING

*25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, November 17, 2024*



C.J. Briggs, Music Director  
Julie Lehmann, Church Secretary

*From the Lord's Prayer, Cara B. Hochhalter*

Paula Trill, Liturgist  
Rev. David B. Wigger, Pastor

*For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.*

*~ Jesus, Sermon on the Mount*

## ~ *GATHERING TOGETHER* ~

### PRELUDE

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Matt 6:9-10 & Philippians 1:7)*

Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
**For all of us share in God's grace.**

#### \*GATHERING

CALLED AS PARTNERS

GTG #761

by Jane Parker Huber (NETTLETON)

*Verse 1*

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP *(based on Isaiah 52)*

For thus says the Lord our God,

**my people shall know that it is I who speak:**

How beautiful upon the hills are the feet of the messengers:

**who proclaim peace,**

**who preach love,**

**who spread good news.**

Listen! The sentries lift their voices:

**Together we sing out for joy**

Depart! Depart, go out from here,

**all those who carry the light of God.**

You shall not go out in haste,

**for the Holy One will go before those who bring good news.**

Come, let us worship God.

#### \*HYMN

GOD, WHOSE GIVING KNOWS NO ENDING

GTG #716

Robert L. Edwards

BEACH SPRING

### POURING THE BAPTISMAL WATERS

#### CHILDREN OF GOD

THE BOY, THE MOLE, THE FOX AND THE HORSE

#### LITANY OF SENDING

**All: May God be with you there.**

**Kids: May God be with you here.**



~ *TENDING THE GOOD NEWS* ~

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*from the Preface to A Brief Statement of Faith PCUSA*)

We are bound together by a common faith and a common task.

The faith we confess unites us with the one, universal church.

The Spirit of Truth gives new light to the churches when they are willing to become pupils together of the Word of God. From the first, the Reformed churches have insisted that the renewal of the church must become visible in the transformation of human lives and societies. A sound confession, therefore, proves itself as it nurtures commitment to the church's mission, and as the confessing church itself becomes the body by which Christ continues the blessing of his earthly ministry.

**\*INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

**\*RESPONSE**

DOXOLOGY  
by Thomas Ken

GTG #675 (*Verse 4*)  
TALLIS' CANON

**\*DEDICATION OF OUR NURTURING**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

~ *GOING FORTH TO NURTURE* ~

**\*HYMN**

I NEED THEE EVERY HOUR  
Annie S. Hawks

GTG #735  
NEED

**\*BENEDICTION** (*from Philippians 1:7, 9, MSG*)

So this is my prayer: **that our love may flourish more and more.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Next Week: Reign of Christ Sunday & Hanging of the Greens*

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