

**Cedar Park First United Methodist Church**  
**Last Sunday in Ordinary Time – The Reign of Christ**  
November 22, 2020 – 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

GREETING

Make a joyful noise to the Lord!

**Let us come into God's presence with song!**

Rejoice, for we are the Lord's.

**Give thanks and bless God's name!**

HYMN OF PRAISE

*"Alleluia, Alleluia"*

UMH 162

OPENING PRAYER

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*"This Is the Day"*

UMH 657

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us.

*(Silence)*

For the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world,  
for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For the blessing of family and friends,  
and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts,  
and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge  
our dependence on you alone,

**We thank you, Lord.**

Above all, for your Son Jesus Christ,  
for the truth of his Word and the example of his life;  
for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation;  
for his dying through which he overcame death,  
and for his rising to life again,  
in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom,  
**We thank you, Lord.**

**Generous and loving God,  
you call us to be disciples of your Son Jesus  
and good stewards of all your many gifts.  
Open our minds and hearts to a greater awareness  
and deeper appreciation of your countless blessings.  
Transform us through the power of your Spirit  
to nurture a stewardship way of life  
marked by faith-filled prayer,  
service to our neighbor,  
and generous sharing.  
We pray with grateful hearts in Jesus' name.  
Amen**

HYMN

*"Give Thanks"*

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Lord, open our hearts and minds  
by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
that, as the Scriptures are read  
and your Word proclaimed,  
we may hear with joy what you say to us today.  
Amen**

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 25:31-46

*Reader:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People's response:* **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

RESPONSE TO THE WORD (A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada)

**We are not alone, we live in God's world.  
We believe in God:  
who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Spirit.  
We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the church:  
to celebrate God's presence,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.  
In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.  
We are not alone.  
Thanks be to God. Amen**

#### BLESSING OF PRAYER SHAWLS

**May God's grace be upon these shawls  
to warm and comfort, enfold and embrace.  
May they provide a safe haven,  
a sacred place of security and well-being,  
sustaining and embracing in good times as well as difficult ones.  
May those who receive these shawls be cradled in hope,  
kept in joy, graced with peace, and wrapped in love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

#### PRAYER CONCERNS

##### **Let Us Pray...**

##### **For the world:**

Ecumenical prayer cycle: Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Niger  
Central Americans recovering from Hurricanes Eta and Iota  
All those affected by the coronavirus

##### **For our family and friends:**

Edna Soto	Andy Carver	Adalid Verastegui
Cilla Gregory	Charley Gray	Sterling and Marilyn Hartman
Grover Williams	Myrl McKellar	Par Keys
Hyacinth Fenty	Clara Crank	Trevin Packard (Karen's grandson)
Gary Godfrey (Karen Packard's cousin)		David Orr (Martha's brother)
Carol Baxter (Russ Lundstrom's mother)		Pam Packard (Sue Sidney's sister)
Betty Cleveland (Taylor's grandmother)		Sue Beall (Par Keys' sister-in-law)
Bruce Payne (Sheryl McNichol's father)		David Engle (Peter's brother-in-law)
Tarren Kingsley (Glenda Morrison's son-in-law)		Erin Koeppen (Glenda's granddaughter)
Brice Bridges (Sally Johnson's great-grandson)		Neta Sowder (Pat's sister-in-law)
Ruth Sutera (Laurel Fabian's friend)		Gary Thorpe (Suzette's father)
Mark Kavanaugh (Amanda Theriot's brother-in-law)		Kathy Clinch (Pam's sister-in-law)
Sergio Longoria's friend	Jim Jenkins and colleagues	Dr. Radasky and Don Heiman
Connie Kohl (Karen Packard's sister)		and Connie's granddaughter Neva
Debbie Ozolins and Peggy MacWilliams		(Sue Sidney's cousins)

##### **Prayers of sympathy:**

Maryann Mosier and family on the death of her uncle Curt Atkinson  
Dewayne Mosier and family on the death of his uncle Wesley Mosier  
GiGi Heermans and family on the death of her aunt Irene Baggerman  
Taylor Cleveland on the death of her grandfather Fred Cleveland

##### **Prayer shawls will be blessed today for:**

Susie Jenkins and Ruth Sutera

PRAYER SONG      *"When We Are Called to Sing Your Praise"*      TFWS 2216

GIVING MOMENT      *Jett Heermans and Abigail Dubler*

HYMN      *"Christ Is Alive"*      UMH 318

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

SINGING THE SHALOM

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## This week at Cedar Park First UMC

### **SUNDAY, November 22nd**

- 8:30am      In-person Worship in the Memorial Outdoor Sanctuary (sign-up required)
- 9:00am      Children's Sunday school class via Zoom
- 10:00am      Livestream Worship Service on Facebook
- 11:15am      Choir Practice in the Outdoor Sanctuary
- 11:30am      Youth Fellowship at the Church
- 1:00pm      Adult Bible study on the Sermon on the Mount led by Pastor Peter via Zoom

### **MONDAY, November 23rd**

- 9:00am      Tea Time with Pastor Suzette on Facebook
- 6:30pm      Finance Committee meets via Zoom

### **TUESDAY, November 24th**

- 9:30am      Service of Morning Prayer via Zoom
- 10:00am      Bible discussion group via Zoom

### **SUNDAY, December 6th**

- 4:00pm      Annual Church Conference with Bishop Schnase via Zoom (email Peter to attend)



Pastor Peter will be leading a study of The Sermon on the Mount, beginning TODAY at 1pm via Zoom. Email [Peter@cpfumc.org](mailto:Peter@cpfumc.org) to attend.

# We're collecting food and other items for Hill Country Community Ministries



Place any of these items in the collection box on the front porch or give to Bob Bowker in the church parking lot 10am Tuesday:

All items are needed - but critical items for the month are marked. (\*)

## Canned Items

Stew  
Tuna\*  
Chicken  
Chili  
Soup\*  
Spaghetti O's  
Tomatoes  
Tomato Sauce  
Spaghetti Sauce  
Corn\*  
Peas\*  
Mixed Vegetables\*  
Fruit Cocktail  
Pineapple\*  
Apple Sauce\*  
Peaches\*  
Peanut Butter  
Jelly\*  
Orange Juice\*  
Apple Juice

## Dry Items

Dried beans (1 or 2 lb. pkgs. only)\*  
Spaghetti/Pasta (1 or 2 lb. pkgs. only)\*  
Cold Cereal\*  
Hot Cereal\*

## Personal Care Items

Bar Soap\*  
Dish Soap\*  
Toilet Tissue\*  
Toothpaste\*