Cheltenham United Methodist Church





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Upcoming Events

Monday, November 17, 2025 Monday Methodists 9am Knitting Circle 10am

Wednesday, November 19, 2025
Pastor's Office Hour 2pm-4pm

Thursday, November 20, 2025
Pastor's Office Hour 10 pm-12noon

Monday, November 24, 2025
Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service
7:30pm
St. Paul Moravian Church

Advent Bible Study
Wednesdays, December 3-24, 2025
11am
Heaven and Earth by Will Willimon

Please use the registration sheet to sign up for the Advent Bible Study and to purchase a copy of the book.

GREETING

Come, praise the One whose anger has turned to mercy. We trust in God and live without fear. Our strength and song rise from God's presence. The Holy One comforts us when we are weary. Drink deeply from the well of life and joy. Give thanks and proclaim God's wondrous deeds. Amen.

PRAYER

Loving God, our true comfort is found only in you.
Bless us today to be a blessing to others.
Make us faithful witnesses to Christ's life and love.
Through our worship,
reveal your purpose and strengthen our faith.
Equip us for service
with the assurance your Spirit provides. Amen.

The Old Rugged Cross

UMH 504

Words: George Bennard, 1913 (1 Cor. 1:22-25)

Music: George Bennard, 1913

Tune: THE OLD RUGGED CROSS

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On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame; and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me; for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above to bear it to dark Calvary.

In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, a wondrous beauty I see, for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died, to pardon and sanctify me.

To that old rugged cross I will ever be true, its shame and reproach gladly bear; then he'll call me some day to my home far away, where his glory forever I'll share.

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

SPECIAL MUSIC

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

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"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

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.

Because He Lives

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Music: William J. Gaither, 1971

Tune: RESURRECTION

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Played by Chiara Griffith

God sent his Son they called him Jesus; he came to love, heal and forgive; he lived and died to buy my pardon, an empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

Because he lives, I can face tomorrow; because he lives, all fear is gone; because I know he holds the future, and life is worth the living just because he lives.

How sweet to hold our newborn baby, and feel the pride and joy he gives; but greater still the calm assurance, this child can face uncertain days because he lives.

Because he lives, I can face tomorrow; because he lives, all fear is gone; because I know he holds the future, and life is worth the living just because he lives.

And then one day I'll cross the river; I'll fight life's final war with pain; and then as death gives way to victory, I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know he reigns.

Because he lives, I can face tomorrow; because he lives, all fear is gone; because I know he holds the future, and life is worth the living just because he lives.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 12:1-6 NRSV

¹ You will say on that day: "I will give thanks to you, O LORD, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, and you comforted me. ² Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and will not be afraid, for the LORD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation."

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 12:1-6 NRSV

³ With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴ And you will say on that day: "Give thanks to the LORD; call on his name; make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted. ⁵ Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth. ⁶ Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 NRSV

⁶ Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, ⁸ and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 NRSV

⁹ This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. 11 For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. 12 Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. 13 Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

SERMON

Cherish the Life

Rev. Daein Park

OFFERTORY "10,000 Reasons"

Music: Matt Redman, Jonas Myrin, Tune: TEN THOUSAND REASONS
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DOXOLOGY

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER





Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, and to take him at his word; just to rest upon his promise, and to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood; and in simple faith to plunge me neath the healing, cleansing flood!

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease; just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace.

I'm so glad I learned to trust thee, precious Jesus, Savior, friend; and I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.

+BENEDICTION



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