



*Cranberry Community  
United Presbyterian Church*

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*Thanksgiving Service  
November 20, 2018*

**The Giving Tree is up!!** You will find tags from Mars Home for Youth, VOICe, The Pittsburgh Project and local families in need. Please help us make this Christmas a happy one for those in need! When you select a tag, please fill out the orange slip of paper with your name and phone number so that we can keep track of the tags. All gifts should be returned unwrapped by Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact Dara Marner.

The Mission Committee is collecting over-the-counter medications **through December 30<sup>th</sup>** for the annual **Medical Mission Trip to Haiti** in January 2019. The basket in which to place these items will be near the Mission table in the greeting area. You can also drop products off during the week at the church office. We are so thankful to receive these products and appreciate your great generosity in this collection in past years.

Would you be interested in **sponsoring** either the Sanctuary Christmas tree, the tree in the Greeting Area, *or* the luminaries that outline the church property on Christmas Eve? The purchase of the trees or candles can be funded in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Recognition will be noted each week in the bulletin during Advent. Please contact the church office ([office@ccupc.org](mailto:office@ccupc.org)/724-776-5310) if you're interested in sponsoring one of these gifts.

**A Note from Connections:** Don't forget to write a letter or card to our November *Students of the Month* - Mark Aukerman, Natalie McKinley, Ryan Okuda, Tim Stewart, and Eric Rusnak. You can place them in the basket on the Connections table and we will mail it for you! (We always accept donations to help with the cost of sending these special mailings to our college students.) You still have time to drop off goodies for the "care packages" which will be sent early December. Put your donations in the bin by the Connections bulletin board. Thank you for your support of this important ministry for our young adults!

*Please* pick up your **2019 Giving Envelopes** that are located in the Greeting Area. If you find that you do not have a box of envelopes and would like one, please write your name on the sheet provided.

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

*"Give Thanks"*

*"Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him." Psalm 37:7*

The Call to Worship

\*A Hymn #543

(use screens)

*"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"*

The Prayer of Invocation and the 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 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Epistle Reading

Philippians 4:4-7

(page 1163)

A Litany of Thanksgiving Psalm 147

Leader: Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the knowledge of God and of Christ Jesus our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

Leader: Our help is in the name of our God, who made heaven and earth.

**People: Amen.**

Leader: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving. Make music upon the harp. How good it is to celebrate God's presence and sing praise throughout each day!

**People: How good it is to sing praise and give honor to our God!**

Leader: Our God rebuilds the people of earth. The wandering ones are gathered together, the brokenhearted are healed, the hungry are fed, the prisoners are freed, the blind are given sight, the lonely are befriended.

**People: How good it is to sing praise and give honor to our God!**

Leader: All of nature sings aloud God's goodness - clouds, rain, grass, creatures great and small. Our God creates and sustains our world with his ever-growing, never-ending love.

**People: How good it is to sing praise and give honor to our God!**

\*A Hymn #49 (use screens)

*“For the Beauty of the Earth”*

Our Invitation to Give

Offertory Becky Ahlgren

*“Thanks be to God!”*

\*Praising God #556 *“Praise God From Whom All Blessings”*

*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 Prayer of Dedication

The Sermon Text (page 960)

Matthew 6:25-33

The Message Pastor James M. Moran

*“WORRY?. . . WHY?”*

A Hymn #539 (use screens)

*“When Upon Life’s Billows”*

\*The Benediction

The Postlude

*“We Will Give Thanks”*

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*The basket and vases of flowers are given by Jon, Lydia, Vincent, and Andrew Horvath to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Doreen.*

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