

Good Soil Lutheran Ministries
Growing Together in Christ to Love and Serve



25th Sunday after Pentecost
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9:30 am



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Welcome

We welcome all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome all because God welcomes all, regardless of race or culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, or relationship status. We welcome all without regard to addictions, physical or mental health, imprisonment, socio-economic circumstances, or anything that too often divides us. Our unity is in Christ.

For Parents with Children

Good Soil loves kids and the "holy noise" they bring! Your children are warmly welcome in worship. Sing, pray, and respond; your children will learn by worshiping with you. There's also a "pryground" area in the back of the sanctuary and a nursery/cry room behind that on the back left side. We pray that worshiping together as a family is a meaningful experience!

For Those Needing Hearing Assistance

Ask an usher about hearing assistance devices to enhance your worship experience.

Holy Communion

Christ is truly present with us in worship and through this meal. All are welcome to participate in Holy Communion here at Good Soil. Children may commune with elements or receive a blessing depending on parent/guardian preference. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available upon request.

Bulletin Key

Bold Font – Spoken by the Congregation
Regular Font – Spoken by the Pastor or Worship Assistant
† – Please stand as you are able, in body or spirit.

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Widows are visible everywhere in today's readings. Jesus denounces those scribes who pray impressive prayers but devour widows' houses. He commends the poor widow who in his view gave far more than the major donors. Jesus doesn't see her simply as an object of compassion or charity. She does something of great importance. She lives in gratitude and places her life and trust in God's hands.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude and Welcome

Based on Psalm 100 and Psalm 8

† Call to Worship

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him, bless his name.

For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

O Lord, how majestic is your name in all the Earth!

In the Confession and Forgiveness, we are drawn by God's mercy to prepare to assemble around the Word and Sacrament. It may be seen as a return to the gift of Baptism through repentance.

† Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end. **Amen.**

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy, **we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.**

Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are † forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation. **Amen.**

† Gathering Hymn: As Saints of Old (ELW 695)

- 1 As saints of old their firstfruits brought
of orchard, flock, and field
to God, the giver of all good,
the source of bounteous yield;
so we today firstfruits would bring,
the wealth of this good land,
of farm and market, shop and home,
of mind and heart and hand.
- 2 A world in need now summons us
to labor, love, and give;
to make our life an offering
to God, that all may live.
The church of Christ is calling us
to make the dream come true:
a world redeemed by Christ-like love;
all life in Christ made new.
- 3 In gratitude and humble trust
we bring our best today
to serve your cause and share your love
with all along life's way.
O God, who gave yourself to us
in Jesus Christ your Son,
teach us to give ourselves each day
until life's work is done.

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*The assembly and
presiding minister
greet one another.
(scripture reference:
2 Corinthians)*

† Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

† **Hymn of Praise: Have You Thanked The Lord? (ELW 829, refrain)**

Have you thanked the Lord?
Have you praised God's name?
Don't you know that no tomorrow is quite the same?
Have you thanked the Lord?
Have you knelt in prayer,
and rejoiced that, rain or sunshine, our God is there?

Text: Bill LaMotta, 1919-1980 Text © Bill (Wilbur) LaMotta, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

The Prayer of the Day highlights themes in the scripture readings we will hear.

† **Prayer of the Day**

O God, you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: 1 Kings 17:8-16

To put this reading into context:

This chapter begins the story of Elijah. God sends a drought on Israel because of the sins of King Ahab. This passage depicts God's saving acts not only on behalf of Elijah, but also on behalf of those who are associated with the prophet, even a foreigner, the widow of Zarephath.

Hear now the reading.

⁸The word of the LORD came to [Elijah,] saying, ⁹“Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” ¹⁰So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” ¹¹As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” ¹²But she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” ¹³Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it

and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴ For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth.” ¹⁵ She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶ The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146



¹ Hal- | lelujah!
Praise the LORD, | O my soul!
² I will praise the LORD as long | as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I | have my being.
³ Put not your | trust in rulers,
in mortals in whom there | is no help.
⁴ When they breathe their last, they re- | turn to earth,
and in that day | their thoughts perish.
⁵ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob | for their help,
whose hope is in the | LORD their God;
⁶ who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that | is in them;
who keeps promis- | es forever;
⁷ who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food
to | those who hunger.
The LORD sets the | captive free.
⁸ The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those
who | are bowed down;
the LORD | loves the righteous.
⁹ The LORD cares | for the stranger;
the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the
way | of the wicked.
¹⁰ The LORD shall | reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. | Hallelujah!

We welcome the gospel by singing the Gospel Acclamation. We rise, if able, in anticipation of Christ being revealed to us through the Living Word of the Gospel.

† Gospel Acclamation: Lord I lift Your Name On High (ELW 857)

Lord, I lift your name on high;
Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad you're in my life,
I'm so glad you came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay,
From the cross to the grave,
From the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift your name on high.

Text: Rick Founds, b. 1954 Text © 1989 Maranatha Praise, Inc., admin. Music Services

Before and after the reading of the Gospel, we give thanks and praise to Jesus Christ, who is revealed to us through the Gospel reading.

Gospel Reading: Mark 12:38-44

To put this reading into context:

After engaging in a series of public arguments with religious leaders in the temple, Jesus contrasts the proud and oppressive ways of those leaders with the sacrificial humility and poverty of the widow.

The holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸ As [Jesus] taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹ and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! ⁴⁰ They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

⁴¹ He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴² A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³ Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴ For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Children’s Sermon

Children grade 4 and younger are invited to step out with our Sunday School teachers for a “Learn and Grow in Faith” class during the sermon. They will return during the Passing of the Peace.

Sermon: The Rev. Marissa Harrison

Silence for Reflection.

Thinking theologically is a spiritual practice. You’re invited to reflect on the following question:

For what are you grateful to God on this day? How will you express that gratitude to God?

The Hymn of the Day is the assembly’s response to the sermon—making the sermon event a mutual faith conversation.

**† Hymn of the Day: Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us (ELW 707)
v. 1-3**

- 1 Lord of glory, you have bought us with your lifeblood as the price, never grudging for the lost ones that tremendous sacrifice; and with that have freely given blessings countless as the sand to the unthankful and the evil with your own unsparing hand.
- 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you gladly, freely, of your own. With the sunshine of your goodness melt our thankless hearts of stone till our cold and selfish natures, warmed by you, at length believe that more happy and more blessed 'tis to give than to receive.
- 3 Wondrous honor you have given to our humblest charity in your own mysterious sentence, "You have done it all to me." Naked, sick, in prison, hungry— in the least, your face we view,

saying by your poor and needy,
"Give as I have giv'n to you."

Text: Eliza S. Alderson, 1818-1889, alt.

*As the church,
we pray for
those in our
community and
around the
world. The
prayers are also
responsive,
emphasizing our
own
participation.*

*Each petition
addresses a
different topic,
often in the
same pattern:*

*+ The Church
+ Creation
+ Nations and
leaders
+ Those in need
+ This faith
community
+ The great
cloud of
witnesses/those
now resting with
God*

† Prayers of the Church

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation. *A brief silence.*


Renew your church, O God. Make us servants to each other for the sake of the gospel. Instill in us a heart for service and a passion for justice. We especially pray for Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and Bishop Laura Barbins. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Renew your creation, O God. Sustain the earth & seas and all that is in them. Kindle in us a reverent awe for all creatures great and small, and strengthen us in our pursuit of climate justice. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Renew the nations, O God. Heal our nation's veterans from the unseen wounds of war. Tend to their trauma and soothe burdened consciences. Guide leaders of the world to end conflicts and pursue peace. We pray for those impacted by war and violence, especially in Ukraine, Russia, Israel, Palestine, Lebanon, Haiti, India, and places in Africa. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Renew your people, O God. Protect those in our communities who are vulnerable or ill. Accompany persons who are unemployed or underemployed, children who are in foster care, and those who live alone. Watch over and uphold them. We especially pray for Helen, Mildred, Gail, family and friends of Pr. Bill Bordonaro, Carl, Pam, Mary Lou, Brenna, Bruce, Frank, Jonathan, Sara, Donna, Madeline, Kate, Ann, Susan, Shawn, Archer, Family and Friends of Cheryl Pate, Sally, Ruth, Rich, Mindy, Kristina, Roger, Jeanette, Scott, Khams & his community in Manipur... & all those we name aloud or in our hearts. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Renew this congregation, O God. Give us clarity in our mission and boldness in our witness. Bless our ministries that attend to basic needs of any who lack sufficient resources. Be with all who will receive the hygiene bags we assemble for Trials for Hope today, that all may live with dignity. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

	<p>Happy are those whose help was in you. We give thanks for all your faithful ones who praised you as their God all their life long. As we eagerly wait for you, inspire us by their lives of service. Merciful God, receive our prayer.</p> <p>We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.</p>
<p><i>A practice of the ancient church, we recognize Christ's peace in each other and share it together.</i></p>	<p>† Passing of the Peace</p> <p>The Peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.</p> <p><i>The people greet one another saying, "Peace" or "Peace be with you" sharing the peace of Christ with one another in a no-touch or low-touch way, such as a wave, peace sign, or elbow bump.</i></p>
<p><i>God entrusts us with everything we have. Our offering is one way we give thanks to God and support the ministry of the church.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Meal</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.</i></p> <p>Offering</p> <p>God's ministry through Good Soil makes a difference, & your offering makes that possible. Help Good Soil keep making an impact by giving today using the QR code or at https://pushpay.com/g/goodsoillutheran</p> <p><i>Aim your phone camera at the QR code, but don't take a picture. A link will appear to click on that will take you to Good Soil's support page.</i></p> 
<p><i>The offering is brought forward to the altar to signify our gratitude for God's blessings.</i></p>	<p>† Offering Hymn: Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise (ELW 207)</p> <p>Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done. Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and bear the name of Christ. Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.</p> <p><small>Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980 Text © 1978, 1995 Augsburg Fortress.</small></p>
	<p>† Offering Prayer</p> <p>Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup, you offered yourself in love for the world, and in this meal you nourish us with your life. Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name. Amen.</p>

† Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

† Preface

† Sanctus

San - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God,

Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.

San - to, san - to, san - to, san - to, es el Se - ñor,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord . . . God,

Dios del u - ni - ver - so; san - to, es el Se - ñor.
God of might and pow - er; ho - ly is the Lord.

Ho - san - na en el cie - lo, ho - san - na en la
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na here on

tie - rra. Ben - di - to el que vie - ne en el
earth. Blest is he who comes in the

nom - bre del Se - ñor. Ho - san - na en el
name . . . of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

cie - lo, ho - san - na en la tie - rra. Ben -
 high - est, ho - san - na here on earth. . . .

di - to el que vie - ne en el nom - bre del Se - ñor.
 Blest is he who comes in the name . . . of the Lord.

† Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer is Jesus' response to his disciples when they asked him to teach them how to pray.

† Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus first taught us: **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 and ever. Amen.**

† Invitation to the Table

Behold, God is making all things new.
Take your place in the new creation.

Communion

Christ is with us in this meal. All who are hungry for the presence of Jesus are welcome to commune here at Good Soil.

Children are welcome to come to the Lord's table for communion or for a blessing, depending on parent/guardian's preference.

When you receive the elements, you are invited to respond with "Amen" or "Thanks be to God."

Please wait for the usher to release your row before proceeding up front. You are invited to stand or kneel at the altar rail.

Gluten-free bread is available on request. The wine (red) is in the outer rings of the tray, the grape juice (white) is in the center. Communion cups can be returned at the end tables on your way back to your seat.

Communion Hymn: Blessed Assurance (ELW 638)

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain: This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain*

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love. *Refrain*

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915

Communion Hymn: Take My Life, that I May Be (ELW 583)

Refrain: Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

1 Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee. *Refrain*

2 Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect and use
ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose. *Refrain*

3 Take my voice and let me sing
always, only for my King;
take my lips and let them be

filled with messages from thee. *Refrain*

- 4 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne. *Refrain*

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, adap.; Spanish text: Vicente Mendoza, 1875-1955

† Post-Communion Table Blessing

Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Blessing of New Banner

The Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

† Blessing

The Ancient One, enthroned,
the Crucified One, now risen,
the Indwelling One, poured out,
✠ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

*Through the
sending hymn
we are sent out
into the world
to follow Jesus.*

† Sending Hymn: For the Fruit of all Creation (ELW 679)

- 1 For the fruit of all creation,
thanks be to God.
For these gifts to ev'ry nation,
thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.
- 2 In the just reward of labor,
God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor,
God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

3 For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us,
thanks be to God.

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The dismissal sends us out as Christ's Body: nourished, fed, and ready to serve. Worship has ended, & our service begins!

† **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Today's Worship Servants:

Livestream: Trey Harrison	Reader: Sharon Bechtel
Ushers: Chris & Larry Jacobson	Counters: Larry Jacobson & Kirsten Reading
Online Usher: Karen Sperli	Communion Bread: Nancie Smith
Acolytes: Edward & Alexandra Inman	Altar Care: Darlene Wahl
Cantor: Erik Bogen	

Announcements from Good Soil for Sunday, Nov 10, 2024

Especially in our prayers: Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, Bishop Barbins of the NEO Synod, Helen Andrews, Mildred Baehr, Gail Boggs, family & friends of Pr. Bill Bordonaro, Carl Bruns, Pam Bruns, Mary Lou Busby, Brenna Connor, Bruce Crosby, Frank Dunaway, Jonathan Gray, Sara Gresh, Donna Handy, Madeline Kelly, Kate Labuda, Ann Layman, Susan Omerod, Shawn O'Neil, Archer Oster, Family & Friends of Cheryl Pate, Sally Pate, Ruth Patrick, Rich Petrusky, Mindy S., Kristina Seeley, Roger Williams, Jeanette Weidlich, Scott Wylie, Khams Zotal & his family & people of Manipur, the people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel, Palestine, Lebanon, Haiti, India & places in Africa.

Today's flowers are given to the Glory of God for Edward's 9th birthday & Scott's birthday.





Help make 2025 ministry dreams a reality! Submit your Intent Card for 2025- Our Generosity Emphasis, "Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise" continues! Scan the QR code to the left to access the digital intent form!

Gratitude Sunday TODAY Good Soil wants to celebrate the generosity of its members, and thank them personally, with a small celebration after service on 11/10. Please plan to attend to celebrate the extraordinary generosity of our amazing community.

Cleveland Messiah Chorus Concert- On November 17th at 4pm, the Cleveland Messiah Chorus will be having a free concert at Forest Hills Presbyterian, 3031 Monticello Blvd, Cleveland Hts.

Please welcome Good Soil's new Church Administrator Sean Kennedy! Sean began serving this past week in the church office. He can be reached at admin@goodsoillutheran.org or 440-331-1773. Keep reading to learn a little more about him!

Sean Kennedy holds degrees in history from Ohio Wesleyan University and John Carroll University. He works on digital media with several institutions and was a manager of a high-end art gallery in West Cleveland. He often conducts historical research for projects on his own time. Sean lives with his wife, Aliyah, and their two children. They enjoy traveling and fossil hunting among their many activities together and spend much of their time involved in church life.

Interested in becoming an official member of Good Soil? The Welcome of New Members rite will take place during worship on Sunday, Dec 8th. Being there in-person is encouraged, but not required. All new members are asked to submit a new member form, a photo, and an introduction paragraph (your vocation, interests, family, how you experience God, what drew you to Good Soil and what keeps you coming back, etc.). Please email those forms, pics, and paragraphs to CCLC@goodsoillutheran.org by Monday, Nov 25th. To receive the form, please contact the same email address, call 440-331-1773, or drop by the church office. All new members are invited to attend a new member orientation (adult forum) after worship on Sun, Dec 1st. Please RSVP for the forum to Pastor at pastormarissa@goodsoillutheran.org by Sunday, Nov 17th.

Trials for Hope Service Project TODAY- After service, as we celebrate gratitude and our many volunteers, there will be an opportunity to participate in a quick service project. We will bag personal hygiene items for Trials for Hope to distribute to those in our community who are housing insecure. Please join in the fellowship & service in the church hall.

Lakewood Community Outreach 11/16 - Want to share God's love in a tangible way & help feed neighbors in our community? Our friends in Lakewood need volunteers to help with their produce distribution. Volunteers are asked to arrive at 9 am to help prep food in the Lakewood Congregational parking lot (1375 W Clifton Blvd). You can also help by donating plastic bags (bin under hallway coat rack) & praying for this ministry. Thanks for your support!

Dinner Church (20's/30's) - Gather Together will host a "Friendsgiving" Dinner Church Saturday Nov. 16 at Bethany English Lutheran Church from 6-8 PM. Please join us for this unique worship experience, and consider bringing a favorite fall dish to share. To RSVP, or for questions, reach out to Mary Washburn at 210-241-8455 or mary.washburn@outlook.com.

Meals on Wheels is looking for drivers! West Shore Rocky River-Lakewood Meals on Wheels needs drivers to deliver meals, especially M-W-F. Contact Kathy Blackwell @ 440-333-6298 or rrlwcoordinator@westshoremow.org for more info.

Coffee Hour Fellowship- We need volunteer hosts to set-up, brew, & clean-up the coffee/tea service &/or bring snacks/baked goods. The Coffee Hour volunteer sign-up is on the bulletin board by the lounge. Contact JoAnne Wancata (cell: 440-655-3674) with questions.

Introducing PushPay- Good Soil has transitioned to a new contribution & accounting software called PushPay, replacing Vanco. If you had an account through Vanco, you've received an email to set up an account on PushPay & migrate your recurring offering if you have one. Scan the QR code to the right or in the *Offering* section of the bulletin to visit our new PushPay giving page!



Flower Sign-Up- Interested in signing up to adorn Christ's altar with flowers for worship? You can sign up with the flower list on the bulletin board in the hallway or online using this QR code. Please note: The physical flower list on the bulletin board has first priority. Best efforts will be made to ensure the digital calendar reflects the physical one, but if you happen to digitally sign-up for a date that is already taken on the physical sheet, you will be contacted to reschedule. Each vase costs \$20. You may also bring your own flowers instead of buying them through Good Soil, but please do still sign up.



Upcoming Performances- This is information for Kaitlyn Regan & Beau Reddington's upcoming shows. *Kiss Me, Kate*: Independence Community Theatre, Nov 1-Nov 17 Fri/Sat - 7:30pm, Sun 2:30pm Tickets \$15, call Box Office at 216.447.0443 *not ADA accessible

Newsletter- Want to keep up with news at Good Soil or share the e-news with friends? Sign up or share our newsletter using the QR code or URL to the right:

<https://tinyurl.com/bddik7yp>



SUNDAY SCHOOL- We've returned to weekly Sunday faith formation for kids as we share Learn & Grow and Experience & Grow opportunities during Sunday services. Additionally, kids will participate in special activities during planned monthly congregational events after worship. (Event updates will be announced, ongoing.) Contact JoAnne Wancata (cell: 440-655-3674) with questions OR to join the weekly rotation of Learn & Grow teachers/helpers.

Learn & Grow time during the worship service: Coloring, crafts, Bible stories, sharing, light snack, etc., in the classrooms on the first floor during the sermon & reflection time for adults in the sanctuary. For children in Preschool/Kindergarten through 4th grade.

Experience & Grow time participating in the worship service: Participating in the worship experience, including sermon & reflection time. Access to special materials on the "Experience & Grow" stand in the Playground. For Grade 5 through Confirmation.

Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Time
Sun, Nov 10	In-Person & Livestream Worship	9:30 am
Sun, Nov 10	Generosity Celebration & Trials for Hope Service Project	10:30 am
Mon, Nov 11	<i>Veterans Day: Church Office Closed</i>	
Sat, Nov 16	Gather Together Dinner Church	6:00 pm
Sun, Nov 17	In-Person & Livestream Worship	9:30 am
Sun, Nov 24	In-Person & Livestream Worship: Reign of Christ Sunday	9:30 am
Thurs, Nov 28	<i>Thanksgiving Day: Church Office Closed</i>	
Fri, Nov 29	<i>Day after Thanksgiving: Church Office Closed</i>	

