



**A PRAYER LIST IS POSTED OUTSIDE THE SANCTUARY (Upper Narthex) AND ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE EDUCATION ANNEX**

**CALENDAR**

- Nov. 19: Video Worship Series continues...
  - Nov. 20-26: Pastor Away.
  - Nov. 21-22: Prep for Thanksgiving Dinner Outreach, All Saints Episcopal. Volunteers needed.
  - Nov. 23: Thanksgiving Day, Office closed.
  - Nov. 26: Rev. Korne, Shawnee U./Marshal U. Campus Minister preaching, 11AM.
  - Nov. 30: SCM Board meets.
  - Nov. 30: Bible Study, 5:30PM.
  - Dec. 3: Communion Sunday, First Day of Advent**
  - Dec. 4: Pastor w/ Commission for Church Professionals, 12:30PM.**
  - Dec. 6: Mission and Congregational Care (MCL), 4PM.**
  - Dec. 6: Armbrust Student Loan Committee (SNL) meets, Zoom 5:30PM.**
  - Dec. 13: Board of Session Meets, 5:30PM.**
  - Dec. 19: 2<sup>nd</sup> PC Festival of Nine Carols, 7:30PM**
  - Dec. 25-27: Christmas Day, Church Offices Closed for Holiday.**
  - Dec. 31: FPC welcomes Rev. Allison Bauer to the pulpit, 11AM.**
- \* The FPC Food Bank will be closed until the bldg. renovations are complete.

**Pastor's Office Hours for the Week**

Sunday: Worship and office hours.

Mondays: Home office (worship planning, prep., and meetings)

Tuesday thru Thursday: 10 AM - 4 PM      Fridays: Off

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**A 4 WEEK CINEMATIC JOURNEY OF Leading Generously-Final Week**



We Are Glad You Are Here!

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| <b>Welcome to Worship</b>             |
| <b>Final Week of Cinematic Series</b> |

**GATHERING TOGETHER**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Pastor Ron Johnson

**GOD'S GREETING AND MUTUAL GREETING**

**PRELUDE**

Dr. Phillip Roberts

**\*A CALL TO WORSHIP**

Elder Boster

L. Let us praise the God of Truth!

**P. Hallelujah! We seek God's truth.**

L. Let us praise the God of Peace!

**P. Hallelujah! We seek God's peace.**

L. Let us praise the God of Love!

**P. Hallelujah! In Christ we know God's love and so we offer our praise!**

**\*OPENING HYMN** #267 "Come Ye Thankful People, Come" **GTG**

**\*PRAYER FOR THE DAY** Elder Boster

**\*A CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (spoken in unison) Elder Boster

***O Giver of every good and perfect gift, we confess that we are poor stewards of your bounty. You give us time, but we waste it. You give us life, but we use it to glorify ourselves. You give us wealth, but we make it serve our own comfort and security. We miss out on the joy and affirmation that you give us when we are generous. Change our hearts O God, that they would reflect your goodness to us and the world. Forgive us now for all of our sins, as we continue to pray [in silence/in song]...***

*(You are invited to silently confess your sins to the Lord)*

***In Jesus' name, Amen.***

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Rev. Johnson

**\*Sing the Gloria Patri**

**THE WORD PROCLAIMED**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON** 2 Timothy 2:1-2 NLT Elder Boster

**SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON** Philippians 2:5-11 NLT Rev. Johnson

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God!**

**THE MESSAGE** **FINAL WEEK: CAPACITY & ESSENCE** Rev. Johnson

**HYMN OF RESPONSE** #723 "Speak To Me That I May Speak" **GTG**

**GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING** Elder Boster

Open our hearts to the love God instills in them. God loves us tenderly. What He gives us is not to be kept under lock and key, but to be shared. The more we save the less we will be able to give. The less we have, the more we will know how to share. Let us ask God, when it comes to ask God for something, to help us to be generous. *(Mother Teresa—In My Own Words)*

**OFFERTORY MUSIC** Dr. Roberts

**A STEWARSHIP PRAYER** Elder Boster

***Loving God, I come to you in thanksgiving, knowing that all I am and all that I have is a gift from you. In faith and love, help me to do your will. I am listening, Lord God. Speak your words into the depth of my soul, that I may hear you clearly. I offer to you this day all the facets of my life, whether it be at home, at work, or at school—to be patient, to be merciful, to be generous, to be holy. Give me the wisdom and insight to understand your will for me and the fervor to fulfill my good intentions. I offer my gifts of time, talent and possessions to you as a true act of faith, to reflect my love for you and my neighbor. Help me to reach out to others as you my God have reached out to me.***

**\*THE DOXOLOGY**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (*spoken in unison*) Elder Boster

**Oh God, our loving Creator and Giver of all good gifts, bless our church, strengthen our faith and grant us the spirit of Christian stewardship so that we may give generously of our time, talent and treasure to spread Your kingdom here in our church and throughout the world. For this, we pray to the Lord. Amen.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN** #240 "Alleluia, Alleluia Give Thanks" **GTG**

**\*CALL TO MISSION**

**Soli Deo Gloria** (*To God Alone be Glory*)

Rev. Johnson

**\*BENEDICTION**

Rev. Johnson

**\*SENDING SONG** #765 "May the God of Hope Go with Us" **G2G**

**POSTLUDE** (*Please be seated for the postlude*)

Dr. Roberts

**Thank you to Bruce and Brenda MacDonald for providing our Altar Flowers for the month of November in memory of Bruce's parents, Dr. Jack and Barbara MacDonald.**



**Sermon Notes**

Title: **"CAPACITY & ESSENCE"** Rev. Johnson

Date: 11.19.23 Key Verses: **2 Timothy 2:1-2; Philippians 2:5-11 NLT**

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How Can I Apply This to My Life? \_\_\_\_\_

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Prayers:

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