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8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 23, 2014 — 8:30 AM Casual Contemporary Worship Service

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* Worship music is led by our praise team, The Lord's Crew.

Pre-Service Music by the Lord's Crew

Welcome and News of the Church

Pastor David

Opening Praise

✠ Scripture Reading Psalm 150

In Unison

Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens. Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness. Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre, praise him with timbrel and dancing, praise him with the strings and pipe, praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals. Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD.

Opening Prayer

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Praise *There Is A Redeemer*
Medley: *I Just Want To Praise You; We Fall Down Shout To The Lord*

Prayer of Adoration

Susan Coho

Prayer for the Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Simple Gifts*

We Share In God's Peace - please be seated when you hear the music.

Joys and Concerns & Pastoral Prayer

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Mike Herber

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Many: Thanks be to God.

Message *In All Things Be Thankful*
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Holy Communion Liturgy (on screen)

Communion Song *Give Thanks*

✠ Benediction *The Lord Bless Thee*

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Recessional *Rock of Ages!*

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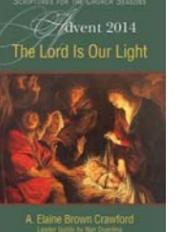
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Welcome and News of the Church

Organ Prelude O Savior Hear Me (C. Von Gluck)

Choral Introit

Call To Worship

Judy Leonard

* Please rise as you are able in body and/or spirit for our Call to Worship:

One: Rejoice in the Lord always! Again, I say rejoice!

Many: Thank you, God, for so many wondrous gifts.

One: For our homes and families, for our church and friendship, for food and fellowship.

Many: Rejoice in the Lord always. Again, we say rejoice.

One: Thank you, God, for new life in Jesus Christ, for love, for belong and for this time of thanks and praise.

Many: We all now rejoice and feast in the gifts and grace of Jesus Christ our Savior.

* Please remain standing for our opening hymn.

† **Hymn No. 131** We Gather Together

Children's Moment

Patti Melsheimer

Nursery care is available. Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers at this time to room 211. Junior & Senior high will meet in Criswell Hall.

Prayer of Confession

Pastor David

One: Please join me in our Prayer of Confession:

All: Wondrous and generous God, you have blessed us with gentle rains, glorious sunsets and sun-warmed days. You bless us with loving families, kind friends and a caring church. Let us receive these gifts with thankfulness and humility.

We cannot earn nor do we deserve such generosity, but we graciously open our hearts and hands to receive.

Forgive us when we are hardhearted and tight-handed, when we don't let your goodness flow through us, when we hide our talents and turn away from the needs of the world.

Release us, Holy One, from fear, and create a contagious spirit of giving that touches the world with hope. Amen.



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Choral Anthem *We Will Give Thanks* Chancel Choir

Sharing of Our Joys & Concerns with Pastoral Prayers & Thanksgiving
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 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.*

Prayer for Giving & Receiving of Our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory *Pastorale (A. Corelli)*

✠ Doxology

*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.*

Prayer For Illumination

Pastor David

One: Please join me in our Prayer for Illumination:

ALL: Holy Spirit, we need your direction as we enter into the Scriptures today. We ask you to give us clarity and understanding, as well as a willingness to respond in obedience. Fill us with yourself, so that we may fully know and experience your presence as we worship. If our hearts are far from you, draw them back to you. If other things distract our minds, we ask you to help us be fully present. We want to hear from you. Thank you, Holy Spirit. Amen.

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✠ Hymn No. 102 *Now Thank We All Our God*

✠ Benediction and Choral Response

Postlude *The Church's One Foundation (S. Wesley)*



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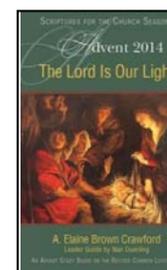
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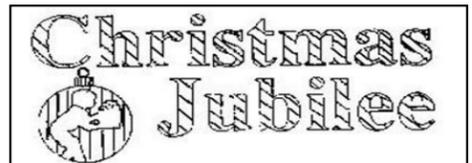
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Joys and Concerns—23 November 2014

Lift Up These People Who Are In Recent Need of Prayer:

- Health and healing for those who are ill, battling depression, isolation and the loss of loved ones.
- People's Kitchen needs a serving space that is permanent.
- That we all would reach out to our community; show the love of Christ.
- Joel Anderson's daughter, Grace—is deployed to Qatar.
- Calvin Thompson—needs a home and healing for his health.
- Art & Janice Moore - son had a stent put in and is home recuperating.
- Doris Douglas—prayers for healing for reoccurring severe nose bleeds.
- Susan Coho's cousin—Healing for Paul who is on ventilator and has pneumonia following a traffic accident.
- Grace B is recovering from an amputation due to cancer but her cancer has metastasized in her lungs.
- For our church growth—spiritual and physical.
- Dick Melsheimer's brother—Ted will have brain tumor surgery; Patti's friend—Esther, isn't well.
- Niki Rodriguez—father is undergoing cancer treatment; Floyd for healing and salvation.
- Prayers for a unified church.
- Mike Clark's mom - RaeAnn broke her hip; friend now has a pacemaker.
- Jan Treat— Del, has Acute Lymphomic Leukemia; Jan will have tests.
- The Gugeler's son—Randy lost his job.
- Lorie Ford—Shane who severed his spine and needs a miracle.

Praise the Lord! His Mercies Are New Every Morning!

- A warm welcome to our visiting friends. Welcome home to those who we have not seen for a while. It is good to have you with us!
- Both of Jan Treat's sons, began a new job with Google.
- We have 167 blankets going into Blanket Sunday.

Continued Prayer:

Fenton McClure, Ken Coombs, Isabella Sloan, Ayleen Melsheimer, Les Bradley, Mike Douglas, Richard & Adam Gainer, Wil Ogden, the Gandys, Rick Ventura, the Harveys, Lisa Graham, the Mark Moore Family, Cristy Van Hook, Ellie Asprion, Juji Boyle, Tom Egan, Guy Oates and Jim Duffin.

Those In Care Facilities/Shut-ins:

Bob Atwood, Bob Serby, Wayne Frisby, Doris Rice, Ruby Weddell, Madge Young, Jeanne Jenkins, Donna Truman, the Bucktons, Sadie Krovious, Jerry Smith, Glen Hughes, Doug Craig, & Doris Leddy.

Covenant Missionary: Tim & Juji Boyle (Japan)

Remember in Prayer:

Our pastor and his family; church family and friends; those with the unspoken prayer; the ministries of this church; our church leaders; those serving God around the world; the hungry, displaced, sick and/or impoverished; the many who are suffering after natural or man-made disasters and for the workers who minister to them; for God's peace & justice for the world; our nation; current leaders; salvation for the world through Jesus Christ; the military & their families; the Middle East & Syria; the unrest in the nation.

Cal-Pac Field Missionaries: Charley Brower (Alaska), John Elmore (Chile), The Persons (Congo), Carmen Aracelis Meléndez & Alejandro Rodriguez (Mexico).

North District Weekly Prayer Covenant

Santa Clarita: UMC—Melissa MacKinnon; n Ministry Candidates and their mentors.

Global Mission Focus for the Week

- **Nov. 23:** Alpine Community Center, Alpine, TX
- **Nov. 24:** Health Care Volunteer: Participating in post conflict development and economic renewal
- **Nov. 25:** Hunger and Development: Funding health and development projects to alleviate poverty
- **Nov. 26:** Literacy for All: Growing literacy levels around the world
- **Nov. 27:** Ministry With Deaf, Late-Deafened, Hard of Hearing and Deaf-Blind People: Leadership development, worship and missions
- **Nov. 28:** Mother and Child Survival: Programs to decrease mortality and morbidity rates
- **Nov. 29:** Prime-timers: Offering educational and cross-cultural mission, experiences for older adults