

# October 22, 2023

21st Sunday of Pentecost



## Come Worship the Living



### PRELUDE

### OPENING PRAYER

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HYMN

*I Will Be Christ to You*

#### Chorus

I will be Christ to you  
I will be Christ to you  
I'll be His hands  
To do what I can  
Because He has loved me too  
I will be Christ to you

#### Verse 1

All alone dying inside  
Needing a comfort  
Needing a guide  
Wounded brother  
Broken sister  
In the name of Jesus  
Take my hand

#### Verse 2

By His grace  
Sealed by His hand  
We are His fam'ly  
Together we'll stand  
Looking Christ-ward  
Side by side  
Thro' the storms and trials  
We are one

#### Bridge

It's not my might or my power  
It's not the strength  
Of what I am

But thro' God's love and His  
mercy  
And thro' the blood of the Lamb

#### Ending

I'll be His hands  
To do what I can  
Because He has loved me too  
I will be Christ (I will be Christ)  
to you

### STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

### SPECIAL MUSIC

## SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 9:6-12

### NRSV

6 The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. 9 As it is written,

‘He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;  
his righteousness endures for ever.’

10 He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; 12 for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.

### NLT

6 Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. 7 You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." 8 And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others. 9 As the Scriptures say,

"They share freely and give generously to the poor. Their good deeds will be remembered forever."

10 For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you.

11 Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous. And when we take

your gifts to those who need them, they will thank God. 12 So two good things will result from this ministry of giving—the needs of the believers in Jerusalem will be met, and they will joyfully express their thanks to God.

**LEADER:** This is the Word of God for the people of God

**ALL:** Thanks be to God.

## SERMON

*Generous Giving*

Rev. Claudia Stallings

## PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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.

## OFFERING OUR TITHES & GIFTS

### DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## HYMN

*All That We Have*

All That We Have And All That  
We Offer

Comes From A Heart Both  
Frightened And Free.

Take What We Bring Now And  
Give What We Need,  
All Done In His Name.

All That We Have And All That  
We Offer

Comes From A Heart Both  
Frightened And Free.

Take What We Bring Now And  
Give What We Need,  
All Done In His Name.

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Take What We Bring Now And  
Give What We Need,  
All Done In His Name

Some Would Rely On Their  
Power,  
Others Put Trust In Their Gold.  
Some Have Only Their Saviour,  
Whose Faithfulness Never  
Grows Old.

Sometimes The Road May Be  
Lone Some,  
Often We May Lose Our Way;  
Take Courage And Always Re-  
member  
Love Isn't Just For A Day.

## DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

## **DRAWING CIRCLES OF PRAYER AROUND:**

Henry Gonzalez

Fred Snyder

George Salley

Robert Earl Williams Jr.

Katie Smith

Tommy Williams

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Full calendar can be found at [www.ramseymemorial.org](http://www.ramseymemorial.org)

October 26	Prayer Group	11:00 am
October 28	Fall Fest & Neighborhood Sup- per	4:00-6:00 pm
October 29	All Saints Day/Laity Sunday	10:00 am, Sanctuary
November 2	Prayer Group	11:00 am
November 5	23rd Sunday after Pentecost	10:00 am, Sanctuary

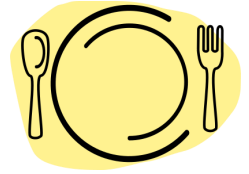
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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## NEIGHBORHOOD SUPPER

Ramsey's next Neighborhood Supper will be held in conjunction with the Fall Fest on Saturday, October 28 from 4:00-6:00 pm. Come join us!



## FALL FEST

Ramsey's Fall Fest will be on October 28 from 4-6 pm and will include Trunk or Treat, Hay Rides, and our free Neighborhood Supper.

## 55+ LUNCHEON

We would like to invite you to the 55+ luncheon on Friday, November 10 at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Please give your RSVP to the church office (804-276-4628) by November 8.

Bring a friend!



## HELP NEEDED

The Fellowship Team that plans Ramsey's church-wide dinners wants YOU to join them.

To volunteer, contact Chante Jacobs at 804-971-4365.

## LEADERSHIP BOARD

The Leadership Board will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday, November 21 at 6:00pm in the CLC.

All are invited. Please contact the church office if you would like the ZOOM link.

