

Good Morning Church!

NORTH BEND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, November 21, 2021

Because God is worthy we worship
**indicates to stand, if able*

GATHERING AND WELCOME

Prelude

Announcements

Updated Report on Operation Christmas Child: 13 online built boxes; 50 shoeboxes; \$300 donations. Thanks to everyone for your contributions. If there are any more boxes, contact Gloria today. Many thanks for Gloria, Myra, Sharon and John for their work supporting this ministry.

Leadership Team Meeting: Our next leadership team meeting is Tuesday, November 30 at 6:30 PM.

(Are there any other Announcements?)

COME BEFORE THE LORD

***Call to Worship¹**

Leader: Come, let us celebrate the goodness of God.

People: God has blessed us with God's great love.

Leader: Let us come to this time, letting go of our worries.

People: Let us come to this time praising God.

Leader: Come, now is the time to worship.

People: We come rejoicing, for God is so good to us. Amen.

***Singing**

Now Thank We All Our God

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(verses 1 & 3)

PRAY UNTO THE LORD

***Praying Together²**

With thankful hearts we pause this day to be reminded of our grandest hope: that the calamities, the demands, even the blessings of this world do not have the last word. You are the one who was and is, and who is yet to come—a ruler of a different kind. Open our hearts to the comfort, the challenge and the mystery of this good news. In the name of Jesus Christ, your faithful witness, we pray. Amen.

Joys & Concerns

Silent & Pastoral Prayer

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.

A TIME OF THANKSGIVING

HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Anthem

Reading the Scripture

Haggai 1:1-15 (NIV)

- 1:1 In the second year of King Darius, on the first day of the sixth month, the word of the LORD came through the prophet Haggai to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jozadak, the high priest:
- 2 This is what the LORD Almighty says: "These people say, 'The time has not yet come to rebuild the LORD's house.' "
- 3 Then the word of the LORD came through the prophet Haggai:

- 4 “Is it a time for you yourselves to be living in your paneled houses, while this house remains a ruin?”
- 5 Now this is what the LORD Almighty says: “Give careful thought to your ways.
- 6 You have planted much, but harvested little. You eat, but never have enough. You drink, but never have your fill. You put on clothes, but are not warm. You earn wages, only to put them in a purse with holes in it.”
- 7 This is what the LORD Almighty says: “Give careful thought to your ways.
- 8 Go up into the mountains and bring down timber and build my house, so that I may take pleasure in it and be honored,” says the LORD.
- 9 “You expected much, but see, it turned out to be little. What you brought home, I blew away. Why?” declares the LORD Almighty. “Because of my house, which remains a ruin, while each of you is busy with your own house.
- 10 Therefore, because of you the heavens have withheld their dew and the earth its crops.
- 11 I called for a drought on the fields and the mountains, on the grain, the new wine, the olive oil and everything else the ground produces, on people and livestock, and on all the labor of your hands.”

- 12 Then Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, Joshua son of Jozadak, the high priest, and the whole remnant of the people obeyed the voice of the LORD their God and the message of the prophet Haggai, because the LORD their God had sent him. And the people feared the LORD.
- 13 Then Haggai, the LORD's messenger, gave this message of the LORD to the people: "I am with you," declares the LORD.
- 14 So the LORD stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua son of Jozadak, the high priest, and the spirit of the whole remnant of the people. They came and began to work on the house of the LORD Almighty, their God,
- 15 on the twenty-fourth day of the sixth month. In the second year of King Darius.

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Proclaiming the Gospel

The Prophet Haggai and His Message

RESPOND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD

***Singing**

Jesus Loves Me

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(v. 1, 3)

GO IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD

***Receiving the Blessing**

Postlude

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