

**The Goodness of God**

November 9, 2025 – 10:00 am



<b>Gathering Music</b>	<i>Because He Lives</i>	Rick Fortney, piano
<b>Welcome</b>		
<b>Invitation to Worship</b>	Leader: Every day I will bless you, and praise your name forever and ever. <b>People: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; your greatness, O God, is unsearchable.</b> Leader: You fulfill the desire of all who fear you; you hear their cries and save them. <b>People: My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord, and bless your holy name forever and ever.</b> <b>All: Let us worship God!</b>	
<b>*Hymn</b>	<i>Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks</i>	No. 240
<b>Confession</b>		
<b>Assurance</b>	Leader: Brothers and sisters, we must always give thanks to God for you. <b>People: God is faithful and will strengthen you and guard you from evil.</b> Leader: God chose you as the first fruits for salvations through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. <b>People: God is faithful and will strengthen you and guard you from evil.</b> Leader: Brothers and sisters, stand firm, and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. <b>People: God is faithful and will strengthen you and guard you from evil.</b> Leader: Now may God, who loves us, and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts in every good work and word. <b>People: May the Savior direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.</b>	
<b>Passing of the Peace</b>		
<b>*Hymn</b>	<i>Help Us Accept Each Other</i>	No. 754
<b>Scripture</b>	<a href="#">Haggai 1:15b-2:29</a>   <a href="#">2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17</a>   <a href="#">Luke 20:27-38</a>	
<b>Sermon</b>	“The Second Coming (or is it the Third?)”	Rev. Kurt Walker
<b>Anthem</b>	<i>Lord I Stretch My Hands to You</i>	
<b>Prayers of the People</b>		
<b>*Hymn</b>	<i>Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above</i>	No. 645
<b>Benediction</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	<i>Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above</i>	Rick Fortney, piano

## **The Week Ahead**

November 10-16

### **Monday**

8:30 am Walking Group  
11:45 am Bible Reading  
*Library*  
7 pm Deacon Meeting  
*Narthex*

### **Tuesday**

All Day Church Office Closed  
10:30 am Ruth Circle  
*Library*  
3 pm Prayer Group  
*on Zoom*  
6:30 pm CE Committee Meeting

### **Wednesday**

8:30 am Walking Group  
6:45 pm Handbell Choir Practice  
8 pm Chancel Choir Practice

### **Thursday**

5 pm Revival Youth Group  
6:30 pm Yoga  
7 pm Cornerstone Parent Night

### **Friday**

8:30 am Walking Group

### **Sunday**

10 am Worship: Giving Sunday

## **Prayer Concerns**

**Joan Wojicki Fortney** – recovering from surgery  
**Cheryl Wittlinger** – had minor surgery  
**Jen Lombardozi** – had surgery to help decrease cancer scanning frequency  
**Carolyn Beeler** – in ICU step-down  
**Lanny Navarro** – continued health and comfort

## **Announcements**

The **Mission** Committee is still collecting household essentials for young adults in Lorain County who are aging out of the foster care system. Dishware, silverware, cookware, kitchen linens, cleaning supplies, toiletries, and laundry items are need.

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**Saints Alive articles** are due today! Every committee is encouraged to take a few minutes to put together a contribution for our church newsletter.

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**Hanging of the Greens** will be Sunday, November 23 after worship. Come join in the fellowship and joy of the season as we prepare ALPC for the Advent season!

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Please note: Pastor Bendoraitis will be on leave for continuing education November 5 – 18. Should you need **pastoral care**, contact the church office.

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Join us in celebrating this Advent season by participating in our 4-week small group study, **“Illuminating Advent”** by Donald K. McKim and led by Lee Lohr. Sign up in the Narthex so we can order your book before class starts on November 30. Books are \$8; cash or check.

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