

CLAYSBURG COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE  
NOVEMBER 21, 2021, 6:30 PM  
GRACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

MUSICAL PRELUDE Gary McIntyre, Grace UCC Organist

WELCOME AND GREETING Mrs. Wendy Farber

\* HYMN NO. 434 (The Hymnal) *“Come, ye thankful people come”*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come, let us give thanks for the wonderful blessings of God!

**P: For the Lord provided for our food, the sunshine, and the air.**

L: The Lord has provided for our families and for our children.

**P: The Lord our God is great and wonderful and worthy of our praise.**

*All: Blessed be the name of the Lord!*

\* INVOCATION

Let us pray: **Lord God of All creation, You have provided for us in ways far beyond what we deserve and we are very grateful. Help us remember that without you we would have nothing, and to be wise enough to use your blessings to bring honor to your Holy Name. Forgive us for allowing ourselves to think we have accomplished what we have in our lives by our own efforts and without your help. Fill us with your generosity so that we may share your blessings, our wealth of food and goods, with all the peoples of this world. We ask this in Jesus’ name, Amen.**

MINISTRY OF MUSIC Mrs. Heidi Kennedy

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS Ms. Brenda Marriner

The offering this evening will go to the Ministerium General Fund. Please make checks payable to the “Claysburg/East Freedom Ministerium.” Donated food items will be given to the Food Bank.  
Organ Offertory

\* Doxology and Blessing of the Offering

\* HYMN NO. 12 (The Hymnal) *“For the Beauty of the Earth”*

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 1:18-23 Pastor Calvin Miller

CHILDREN’S STORY Mrs. LeeAnn Davis

A LITANY OF THANKSGIVING Pastor Ron Bashore

L: Gracious God, You supply us with blessings beyond our deserving.

We thank you for your creation, and every sign of your presence

within it, for your everlasting grace and forgiveness, for the risen

Lord who has gone before us and who calls us to follow Him.

**P: Accept our thanks, O God...**

L: For our homes and loved ones. For the work we do and the

strength to do it, for moments of gladness that sparkle our day.

**P: Accept our thanks, O God...**

L: For our faith and all that sustains it, for all those whose lives and

examples have persuaded us that the journey is worth taking, for your

caring discipline that keeps our faith pure.

**P: Accept our thanks, O God...**

L: For the depth of the sea where our falseness lies buried, for the

guiding comfort of your Holy Spirit, for the powerful promise of life

everlasting.

**P: Accept our thanks, O God, for yours is the glory forever.**

**Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER (debts/debtors)

MESSAGE “Bucking the Trend” Pastor David Maxwell

\* HYMN NO. 72 (The Hymnal) *“Now Thank We All Our God”*

\* BENEDECTION Pastor Gary Blankley

\* POSTLUDE

**\* PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

Thank you to everyone who participated in this evening’s service.

*The Claysburg/East Freedom*

*Ministerium and Churches want to*

*wish you all a Happy*

*Thanksgiving,*

*a Very Merry Christmas,*

*and a Blessed New Year!*