

SUNDAY, November 24, 2024

Caldwell United Methodist Church, 8 Academy Road, Caldwell, N. J. 07006  
 Rev. Kil Jae Park, Pastor

Thanksgiving Sunday  
 Jackie Han, Music Minister



PRELUDE

“Give Thanks”

Jackie Han

OPENING VIDEO

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come, let us celebrate the wondrous gifts that God has given us.

**P: Throughout all our lives, God has blessed us with love and hope.**

L: Praise be to God who provides for us.

**P: May our hearts be truly grateful, and may we show our gratitude by the ways in which we live and care for others.**

L: Hallelujah!

**P: AMEN.**

\* OPENING HYMN

“For the Beauty of the Earth” (vss. 1-4)

UMH # 92

1. For the beauty of the earth,  
 for the glory of the skies,  
 for the love which from our birth  
 over and around us lies;

Refrain: Lord of all, to thee we raise  
 this our hymn of grateful praise.

2. For the beauty of each hour  
 of the day and of the night,  
 hill and vale, and tree and flower,  
 sun and moon, and stars of light; (Refrain)

3. For the joy of ear and eye,  
 for the heart and mind's delight,  
 for the mystic harmony  
 linking sense to sound and sight; (Refrain)

4. For the joy of human love,  
 brother, sister, parent, child,

friends on earth and friends above,  
for all gentle thoughts and mild; (Refrain)

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

<b>GATHERING SONG</b>	<b>“We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise”</b>	<b>TFWS # 2041</b>
	<p><b>We bring the sacrifice of praise Into the house of the Lord. We bring the sacrifice of praise Into the house of the Lord.</b></p> <p><b>And we offer up to You The sacrifices of thanksgiving; And we offer up to You The sacrifices of joy.</b></p>	

## SCRIPTURE

**Matthew 6:25-33**

25 “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? 26 Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? 27 Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life. 28 “And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. 29 Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. 30 If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? 31 So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ 32 For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. 33 But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. 34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God

**People: Thanks be to God**

<b>ANTHEM</b>	<b>“10,000 Reasons”</b>	<b>CUMC Choir</b>
<b>MESSAGE</b>	<b>“Worry-Free Thanksgiving”</b>	<b>Pastor Park</b>
<b>THANKSGIVING VIDEO</b>	<b>“What are you thankful for this Thanksgiving”?</b>	

**OFFERING HYMN****“Now Thank We All Our God”****UMH # 102**

1. Now thank we all our God,  
with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done,  
in whom this world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms  
has blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love,  
and still is ours today.
2. O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us;  
and keep us still in grace,  
and guide us when perplexed;  
and free us from all ills,  
in this world and the next.
3. All praise and thanks to God  
the Father now be given;  
the Son, and him who reigns  
with them in highest heaven;  
the one eternal God,  
whom earth and heaven adore;  
for thus it was, is now,  
and shall be evermore.

*\* As we sing this hymn, you are invited to come to the front and place your Thanksgiving Offering in the plated provided in the front. Please use the center aisle to come. Thank you.*

**GIVING OF THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING****\*DOXOLOGY # 95**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost  
Amen**

**\* DEDICATION**

**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.**

**2024 STEWARDSHIP MOMENT****\* CLOSING HYMN****“Come, Ye Thankful People Come”****UMH # 694**

**Come, ye thankful people, come,  
raise the song of harvest home;  
all is safely gathered in,  
ere the winter storms begin.  
God our Maker doth provide  
for our wants to be supplied;  
come to God's own temple, come,  
raise the song of harvest home.**

**All the world is God's own field,  
fruit as praise to God we yield;  
wheat and tares together sown  
are to joy or sorrow grown;  
first the blade and then the ear,  
then the full corn shall appear;  
Lord of harvest, grant that we  
wholesome grain and pure may be.**

**For the Lord our God shall come,  
and shall take the harvest home;  
from the field shall in that day  
all offenses purge away,  
giving angels charge at last  
in the fire the tares to cast;  
but the fruitful ears to store  
in the garner evermore.**

**Even so, Lord, quickly come,  
bring thy final harvest home;  
gather thou thy people in,**

free from sorrow, free from sin,  
 there, forever purified,  
 in thy presence to abide;  
 come, with all thine angels, come,  
 raise the glorious harvest home.

\* BENEDICTION

Pastor Park

POSTLUDE

**“We Gather Together”**  
*Please remain seated for the postlude*

Jackie Han

\*Stand as able

**Announcements:**

- We extend our very special welcome to everyone who came to worship with us on this special Thanksgiving Sunday. We are so glad that you are here, both in person as well as online. May our hearts be filled with gratitude and hope as we worship God and fellowship with one another today.
- Altar Flowers are given by Louise Woodcox to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her sister-in-law Eileen O’Brien Rotter.
- Special thanks to JeeYoung, Zorina, Louise, Myrtle, Tracy and Walter for hosting the time of Fellowship today. Please join us for a special Thanksgiving lunch immediately following the worship service.
- Christmas Cantata rehearsal will take place today in the church sanctuary after Fellowship time.
- Tickets for this afternoon’s Doo Wop concert to benefit our church will be available at the door. Tickets are \$20. For more information see Ken Ingra.
- The 2024 Stewardship campaign is in full swing. Everyone will be receiving an estimate of giving card. These cards will be offered to God at our December 1<sup>st</sup> service. All cards received by this date will be presented at this service. People can continue to send in their cards until December 22<sup>nd</sup>

- Oasis is seeking donations of new, unwrapped toys and games for children aged infant through 16 for their Christmas Toy Drive from now until December 13th. Please see the insert for more information.



**Coming Up This Week**

- Today after Fellowship - Choir practice for the Christmas Cantata.
- Tuesday, November 24 @ 10 am – Prayer & Chant Circle