

Thanksgiving Sunday
November 22, 2009 10:00 a.m.

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***Our mission is to change peoples' lives
through a relationship with Jesus Christ.***

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~WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE~

Greeting of Peace

Prelude

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Call To Worship

L: Be glad and rejoice, for God has done great things. Our mouths are filled with laughter and shouts of joy.

P: *A harvest of abundance surrounds us. We will eat in plenty and be satisfied.*

L: Praise God for all the bounty we enjoy. Give thanks for every good and perfect gift.

P: *We lay aside our worries and our fears. God has dealt wondrously with us, and we rejoice.*

L: Seek first God's realm of righteousness. Let God reign in all your thoughts and relationships.

All: *We know God is with us here. We trust God to supply what we most need.*

Hymn "We Gather Together" #131

Opening Prayer

How good it is to join in prayers of thanksgiving and songs of praise! You have been good to us, gracious God! For sunshine and rain, for the labors of all who harvest the grain, we pour out our gratitude. You have dealt wondrously with us so that we have more than we need. Dwell with us now that we may not only be inspired to share but also prompted to work for a more just world in which all your children have enough to eat and reasons for joy. Amen.

This Week at Blackstone Valley United Methodist Church

A Time For The Child In All Of Us

Offertory "I Love You Lord" #2068

Doxology #95

Offertory Prayer

We have bread, so we will share. We have pure water, so we will give to dig wells for others. We have faith, so we will tell others of the great things you have done, O God. These sacred moments of giving acknowledge your ownership of all our possessions. We seek to answer your call to responsible stewardship and faithfulness in mission. We are your heralds and apostles. We thank you, God! Amen.

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~WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD~

Anthem "I Will Not Forget You" Ben & Robin Pasley

Reading of the Word

Epistle *Ephesians 4:17-18, 20-24; 5:1-2*

Gospel *Matthew 6: 25-33*

Hymn "He Is Exalted" #2070

Message "What Would You Change About Your Life?"
Rev. Michele Ewers

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~WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE~

A Time For Prayer

Lee Ducharme

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

