



**I WAS
NAKED**
AND YOU GAVE ME CLOTHING,

**I WAS
SICK**
AND YOU TOOK CARE OF ME,

**I WAS
IN PRISON**
AND YOU VISITED ME.

WORSHIP OF GOD | NOVEMBER 17, 2024
First Rochester | An American Baptist Church
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Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon, senior pastor | Eliecia Young, pastoral assistant
Henry Griffin, music director | Samuel Baker, organist

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Feel free to use any gender-neutral language in hymns or responses.

Prelude *Petit Prélude* J. Jongen
Samuel Baker, organ

Chiming of the Hour

MUSIC for Gathering Henry Griffin, piano

Welcome

Call to Worship JoAnn Trolley

One: My friends, give thanks with a joyful heart.

All: Give thanks to the Holy One.

One: Give thanks to God for God's grace and love.

All: Give thanks for God's dear son.

One: Give thanks for food and shelter, for family and friend and every gift.

All: Let us give thanks and praise to God as we worship this day.

***Hymn 14** *Now Thank We All Our God* Rinkart/Crüger

Scriptures *Psalm 16* JoAnn Trolley

Morning Prayer Eliecia Young

Sharing our joys and concerns

Unison Lord's Prayer

Special Music *I Waited for the Lord* Felix Mendelssohn
from *Hymn of Praise* arr. Griffin

First Rochester Section Leaders; Samuel Baker, organ; Henry Griffin, director

Children's Time Pastor Joanne

***Hymn 81** *We Gather Together* Netherlands Folk Hymn
arr. Kremser

Scripture

Matthew 25:31-46

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Living with and Loving Neighbor

Rev. Joanne
Gilbert-Cannon

Giving our Gifts to God & Dedication

**Music for
Response**

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above
Samuel Baker, organ

Hugo Distler

Doxology 688

We Give Thee But Thine Own

Cantica Laudis

**We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be.
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

Invitation to Mission & Ministry

***Closing Hymn 84**

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above
v. 1, 3, 6

Watts/Croft

Benediction

Postlude

Prelude and Fugue
Samuel Baker, organ

J. T. Krebs



Thank you to others who contributed their gifts today: including reader: JoAnn Trolley; ushers: Dick Wien and Ken Hines; fellowship: OWLS with Kandee Tabor for our Harvest Meal; our nursery: Melina Mineti, Bethany Aitkenhead; our teachers: Nan Wilson, Judy Oaks and Bob Oaks; our tech team: Wes Selleck, Maddox Young, Scott and Susen McClellan, Glenn Stahl, and Janet Richardson; and our musicians: Naomi Chad, soprano; Emma Unkrich, mezzo-soprano; Andrew Perricone, tenor; Ashton Rapp, baritone; Samuel Baker, organ; and Henry Griffin, piano and director.

We welcome you to First Rochester, regardless of race, class, gender, physical challenge, place of origin, or sexual orientation. **If you're new with us**, please fill out the **connection card** found in your pew and drop it with the offering. We look forward to getting to know you better!

During Second Hour today our children will meet in the Choir Room, TLC in room 8, and Sermon Talkback in the sanctuary, then everyone can work their way to Hubbell Hall for our Harvest Meal at noon.

Thank you for the November Food Drive to help Pittsford Food Cupboard. Items will be delivered next Wednesday early morning so we can receive your donations during regular office hours on Mon. 9 AM to 2 PM or Tues. by 10:00 AM.

Mid-week Meditation Service, Wednesdays—October through December: On Wednesday evenings at 6:00 PM, we will hold a special one-hour service in the chapel. There will be readings, repetitive songs, silence, prayer, and meditation. This service enhances a deeper connection with God in a contemplative way. Please come and experience this unique and inspiring worship opportunity. **There will be no service on Wednesday, November 27.**

FBCR Book Club, November 19: This month we will read *The Women* by Kristen Hannah. A historical fiction story of Frances "Frankie" McGrath, a young nurse who served during the Vietnam War. In the beginning were the challenges of war she faced but her homecoming amidst a divided America became yet another battle. The book shines a light on all women whose sacrifice and commitment are often forgotten. All are welcome to the discussion. **Gathering is at 11:30 AM** with a BYO lunch; discussion at noon.

OWLS Program: Join us on Thursday, November 21, with Gobble Games: Trivia, riddles, and fun things to share at your Thanksgiving. Chair exercise 11:30 AM. Lunch and program at 12:15 PM. Donations welcomed. Please RSVP kandeetabor@gmail.com. **No OWLS on Thursday, November 28.**

Hanging of the Greens will take place immediately following worship and a brief fellowship on Sunday, November 24. If everyone helps we will make quick work of the process and help our church be ready for Advent.

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service will be held on **Thursday, November 28 at 11:00 AM** at Temple Sinai, 363 Penfield Road, Rochester, NY 14625. You may find the YouTube link to the service @ rochesterfbc.org/news-and-events/.

Giving Tree collections begin. Gather gloves, mittens, hats, and scarves for the Giving Tree to be shared with the clients of Cameron Community Ministries for at least the next three weeks. Final date for your gifts will be known soon.

Some of Next Month's Upcoming Events: December 8—Pageant with Pizza lunch after; December 15—Cantata, with cookie decorating fellowship after; December 24—Christmas Eve Service 5 PM; December 29—Jammies and Jingles.