



# First Congregational

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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## Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



**November 24, 2024**

**Worship Leader**

Paul Greene

**Mini Message**

Brandyn Miller

**Director of Music**

Luke Overton

**Organist**

Hudson Lourenço-Feld

**Office Manager**

Michelle Wolfe

**Custodian**

Kyle Lindaman

*No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey,  
you are welcome here.*

<b>Prelude</b>		Hudson Lourenço-Feld
<b>Welcome and Announcements</b>		Paul Greene
<b>*Call to Worship</b>		Paul Greene
Leader: Praise awaits You, O God, in Zion; to You our vows will be fulfilled.		
<b>People: You answer our prayers, and all people come to You.</b>		
Leader: You care for the land and water it; You enrich it abundantly.		
<b>People: The streams of God are filled with water to provide the people with grain, for You have ordained it so.</b>		
Leader: You crown the year with Your bounty, and Your paths overflow with abundance.		
<b>People: The meadows are covered with flocks, the valleys are clothed with grain; they shout for joy and sing.</b>		
Leader: Let us worship the God who brings order and abundance, paving the way for all to flourish.		
<b>People: We come to praise the One who provides and sustains all life.</b>		
<b>*Opening Hymn</b>	<i>For the Beauty of the Earth</i>	#28 (NCH - Black)
<b>*Prayer of Invocation</b> (unison)		Brandyn Miller
<b>Generous and Sovereign God, You are the source of all creation, and by Your hand, the world is ordered and sustained. As we gather in Your presence today, we ask for Your guidance in cultivating the lives and communities You have entrusted to us. Help us to align our hearts with Your order, so that we may work for the flourishing of all people. Open our eyes to the abundance You provide and empower us to share it freely with others. May our worship reflect our gratitude for Your provision and our commitment to live in harmony with Your ways. We pray this in the name of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.</b>		
<b>Choral Anthem</b>	<i>Come, O Thankful People Come</i>	Chancel Choir
<b>Mini-Message</b>		Brandyn Miller
<b>Invitation to Offertory</b>		Paul Greene
<b>Offertory</b>		Hudson Lourenço-Feld
<b>*Doxology</b>		#515 (Pilgrim - Red)
<b>*Prayer of Dedication</b>		Paul Greene

**Scripture Reading**

Psalm 65

Paul Greene

Leader: This is the word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**Message**

*“The Wonder of God’s Beauty”*

Brandyn Miller

**\*Hymn of Response**

*All Beautiful the March of Days*

#434 (NCH - Black)

**Joys & Concerns**

Paul Greene

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer**

**Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer** (unison)

Brandyn Miller

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**\*Parting Hymn**

*All Things Bright and Beautiful*

#31 (NCH - Black)

**\*Benediction**

Brandyn Miller

**Postlude**

Hudson Lourenço-Feld

\* Please Rise in Body or Spirit

*Sunday School for students up to 6th grade is provided after the Mini-Message.  
We welcome your child(ren) to follow our Sunday School leaders to the  
youth director's office at the conclusion of the Mini-Message.*