

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
PROPER 24
OCTOBER 18, 2020



“While my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock...”
Exodus 33: 12 – 23

The Rev. Fanny Belanger, Priest-in-Charge

*We welcome you as we worship together this morning.
So we can all worship in unison, please try to speak just a little slower than
the leader each time you are invited to participate in prayer.
And remember to mute your microphone at all other times.*

PRELUDE “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Officiant: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Officiant then says: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

THE CONFESSION *Officiant and People*

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

(LEM 2)

Leader: Lord, open our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Leader and People: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Alleluia.

Psalm 100 *Read together.*

**Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.**

**Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.**

**For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

Psalm 99 and Lessons begin on next page.

Read responsively at the asterisk

1 The Lord is King;
let the people tremble; *
**he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth shake.**

2 The Lord is great in Zion; *
he is high above all peoples.

3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *
he is the Holy One.

4 “O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.”

5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

8 “O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; *
**you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.”**

9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

The Lessons begin on the next page.

THE LESSONS

A reading from the Book of Exodus 33: 12 – 23

(LECTOR)

Moses said to the LORD, “See, you have said to me, ‘Bring up this people’; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.’ Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.” He said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.” And he said to him, “If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth.” The LORD said to Moses, “I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.” Moses said, “Show me your glory, I pray.” And he said, “I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, ‘The LORD’; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But,” he said, “you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.” And the LORD continued, “See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.”

Leader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 9 begins on next page.

Canticle 9 *Read together.*

The First Song of Isaiah *Ecce, Deus* *Isaiah 12:2-6*

**Surely, it is God who saves me; *
I will trust in him and not be afraid.**

**For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *
and he will be my Savior.**

**Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *
from the springs of salvation.**

**And on that day you shall say, *
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;**

**Make his deeds known among the peoples; *
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.**

**Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *
and this is known in all the world.**

**Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Lessons continue on the next page.

A reading from The First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians 1: 1 – 10 (**LEM 1**)

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 19 and the Gospel Lesson on the next page.

Canticle 19 *Read together*

The Song of the Redeemed *Magna et mirabilia Revelation 15:3-4*

**O ruler of the universe, Lord God,
great deeds are they that you have done, *
surpassing human understanding.
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, *
O King of all the ages.**

**Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,
and sing the praises of your Name? *
for you only are the holy One.
All nations will draw near and fall down before you, *
because your just and holy works have been revealed.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Officiant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Matthew 22: 15 –22

People: **Glory to you Lord Christ**

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Officiant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Fanny Sohet Belanger

HYMN "God of Grace and God of Glory"

THE APOSTLES' CREED

LEM 1 and People together

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you**

Officiant: Let us pray

Lord's Prayer on next page.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Officiant and people together say*

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE SUFFRAGES A

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. **And grant us your salvation.**

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. **Let your people sing with joy.**

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

R. **Your saving health among all nations.**

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

Collects and prayers on next page.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

INTERCESSION

(LEM 2)

Let us pray for the following:

For the Anglican Communion:

Pray for the Episcopal Church

The Most Revd. Michael Curry - Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church

For the Diocese:

St. Luke's Church, Bethesda

St. Luke's House, Bethesda

St. Luke's Church, Brighton

St. Luke's Parish, DC

World Mission Sunday.

The Intercession continues on the next page.

For the healing of body, mind and spirit:

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| Jock Banks | Lynn Ferris | Rosetta Robinson |
| Pamela Banks | Abner Gibson, Jr. | Renate Schlett |
| Helen Becker | Nicole Grant | Sylvia Spruill |
| Christine Bileduy | Jessica Hershman | Roberta Taylor |
| Mary Blouin | Tatiana Holland | Diana Terry |
| Philippe Borel | Robert Holmes | Marilyn Thompson |
| Edith Curley Brown | Desirae Hurley | Gary Thompson |
| Christine Buchanan | Sharon Kramarich | Marge Travis |
| Cassandra Burton | Bob Lau | Joseph Gabriel Travis |
| Malachi Burton | Gloria Lau | John Travis |
| David Carr | Lynne Lau | Diana Trzaskowski |
| Aaron Chambers | Mike Maine | Ruth Vincent |
| Daphne Chambers | Christine Mansuy-Rivera | Cynthia Veale |
| Sharon Clements | Jeraldine Massey | Scott Vining |
| Gregory Crowe | Diana Morris | Jim Williams |
| Kristie Davis | Dorothy Mundy | Judy Williams |
| Brandon Davis | Cheryl Owens | |
| Alice Dove | Diane Owens | |
| Karen Dunlop | Joyce Ramsey | |
| Brooke Emerson | Charles Ramsey | |
| Rhonda Evans | Kelly Rice | |

For those who are homebound: Laura Mack and Hilda Norwood

For those serving in the US Armed Services:

Alex and Taylor Carr – Grandsons of Jim and Ruth Carr

Christopher Conti – Son of Cynthia Allen

Joseph (JD) Lau- Grandson of Bob and Lynne Lau

Chris Orrison – Husband of Kim Orrison

Demarais Roach – Godson of Ernest Norwood

Phil Lance – Grandson of Janet Sullivan

Don LaVoe Wright, Jr. – Son of Billie Jean Wright

Tregenza Henry – Husband of Jean Henry

Sylvan Evald Smith – Granddaughter of Christina Evald

Andrew and Luke Travis – Grandsons of Marge Travis

COLLECT FOR RACIAL JUSTICE

Gracious and loving God, you have made us in your image, and called us to be the body of Christ. We have not honored your image in one another; we have not loved others as you have loved us. Forgive us our sin of not seeing you in each other. This pandemic has highlighted the racial disparities in our communities. The violence toward people of color has sickened us. Now give us strength to stand up and work with all the strength we possess to bring racial justice in our church and in our community. Give us the will to do your will in this work. In the name of Jesus, who always stood with people who were oppressed, even when it cost him his life. **Amen.**

PRAYER FOR THE SICK *BCP, p. 458*

O Father of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need: We humbly beseech you to behold, visit, and relieve your sick servants for whom our prayers are desired. Look upon them with the eyes of your mercy; comfort them with a sense of your goodness; preserve them from the temptations of the enemy; and give them patience under their affliction. In your good time, restore them to health, and enable them to lead the residue of their lives in your fear, and to your glory; and grant that finally they may dwell with you in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR DOCTORS AND NURSES *BCP, p. 460*

Sanctify, O Lord, those whom you have called to the study and practice of the arts of healing, and to the prevention of disease and pain. Strengthen them by your life-giving Spirit, that by their ministries the health of the community may be promoted and your creation glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS *BCP, p. 830, # 50*

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant as he/she begins another year. Grant that he/she may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen his/her trust in your goodness all the days of his/her life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS *BCP, p. 828, # 45*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who settest the solitary in families: We commend to thy continual care the homes in which thy people dwell. Put far from them, we beseech thee, every root of bitterness, the desire of vain glory, and the pride of life. Fill them with faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness.

Knit together in constant affection those who, in holy wedlock, have been made one flesh. Turn the hearts of the parents to the children, and the hearts of the children to the parents; and so enkindle fervent charity among us all, that we may evermore be kindly affectioned one to another; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE TRAVELING *The Book of Common Prayer, p. 831, # 53*

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE EXCHANGE OF THE PEACE

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION *Officiant and People together*

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

**Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.**

**I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.**

ANTHEM "Holy, Holy, Holy"

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING *Officiant and People together*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,

we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks

for all your goodness and loving-kindness

to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation,

and all the blessings of this life;

but above all for your immeasurable love

in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;

for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,

that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,

not only with our lips, but in our lives,

by giving up our selves to your service,

and by walking before you

in holiness and righteousness all our days;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

THE BLESSING

SUNDAY SCHOOL PRAYER

O God, give me clean hands, clean words and clean thoughts. Help me to stand for the hard right against the easy wrong. Save me from habits that harm. Teach me to work as hard, and play as fair in thy sight alone as if the whole world saw. Forgive me when I am unkind, and help me to forgive those who are unkind to me. Keep me ready to help others at some cost to myself. Send me chances to do a little good every day, and so grow more like Christ. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Officiant: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks, be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

POSTLUDE “Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”

Assisting in the Service:

Organist: Gregory Crowe

LEMS: Luan George (LEM 1) Deirdre Lee (LEM 2)
Eda Brawner (Lector); Deirdre Lee (POP)

Lessons for The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 25

October 25, 2020:

Psalm 90: 1 – 6, 13 – 17; Deuteronomy 34: 1 – 12;

1 Thessalonians 2: 1 – 8; Matthew 22: 34 – 46

LEMs for The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 25

October 25, 2020:

Jo Appold (LEM 1); Don Appold (LEM 2 & POP); Gail Russell (LECTOR)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In light of the developments surrounding the COVID-19 virus in this diocese, there will be NO indoors Sunday Services offered at Christ Church until further notice. Worship will take place via Zoom / Zoom conference call every Sunday at 9:00 AM and outdoors at 11:30 AM (See Outdoor Worship announcement below for more details).

The bulletins will be posted on line: <https://christchurchclinton.org/news/> .

All church activities including Thrift store, AA, OA have been cancelled and the church doors will remain closed until reopening, possibly in September. The church staff is to working from home and the church volunteers are asked to suspend all their activities. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to reach out to Rev Fanny by phone 571 431 9373 or email: rev.fanny.belanger@outlook.com

OUTDOOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAY AT 11:30AM. We gather on the deck in Cassandra Burton Fellowship Grove for a short service of prayer, from *A New Zealand Prayer Book*.

If you want to participate, please read and send back by **mail or email only** the Regathering Covenant you will find on the Diocesan website:

https://www.edow.org/files/2015/8998/3088/Covenant_for_Regathering_in_Worship.pdf. The Regathering Covenant must be emailed or mailed to the church office.

As you come to worship, you will be asked to **wear a mask covering your nose and mouth at all times** during the service. You need to bring your own seat and keep at least 6 feet from all people who aren't from your household.

There will be no music, no singing and no communion. There will not be a printed bulletin. The bulletin will be sent to you by email or downloadable on the church website.

The usher may ask you to sit on the parking lot, if the deck is full, according to the 6 foot distance requirement.

If you're feeling unwell, have been recently sick or if a member of your family is sick, you are asked to stay at home.

The building will be closed and there will be no possibility to use the facilities, except in case of emergency.

The service may be cancelled at any time, due to weather concerns or safety issues. If you need to make sure the service is being held, please call Dave Jackson or Rev. Fanny.

In spite of all those limitations, we are looking forward to seeing you there. We hope you'll enjoy this opportunity to worship on our beautiful grounds and see each other again (even if from a distance)!

Please note that the regular 9:00am service on Zoom/phone call is unchanged and will be held as usual.

Announcements continue on the next page.

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY. Bible Study meets every Tuesday at 6:00 PM. We'll discuss the readings for the next Sunday and then have a short service of prayer, called Compline. The ancient office of Compline derives its name from a Latin word meaning 'completion' (*completorium*). It is above all a service of quietness and reflection before rest at the end of the day.

The readings are listed in the Sunday bulletin every week. They are also posted on the Adult Education page of the church's website (christchurchclinton.org).

The meeting is on Zoom only - you can connect either from your laptop or from your phone. (Note: Joining Zoom from your phone is as simple as joining for church conference call on Sunday)

Use the following link:

<https://bbbwisegivingalliance.zoom.us/j/94331032184?pwd=V3JHNEY3MjIHTlhKTlg5VmZ1NlZaQT09> or call: 301 715 8592 and ID 943 310 321 84. If you would like some guidance on how to use Zoom, you can reach out to Art Taylor.



ALL SAINTS SUNDAY. Since we won't have a Remembrance Table with photos of those loved ones who have passed on this past year, there will be a prayer list containing the names of those loved ones. Please send their names to Betty either by email (christchurchclinton@verizon.net) or by cell phone text message 443-527-2220). All names should be received by October 27th to be included in the All Saints Sunday bulletin.



SUNDAY SCHOOL. Calling all kids – pre-k through high school – online Sunday School will be starting soon. Contact Jo Appold or Rev. Fanny for more details.

MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES. Here are a couple of mental health resources for anyone experiencing stress of any kind in these difficult times

- ❖ <https://emergency.cdc.gov/coping/selfcare.asp>
- ❖ <https://www.samhsa.gov/findhelp/disaster-distress-helpline>

CHRIST CHURCH CONFERENCE CALL INFORMATION. Christ Church has been assigned a phone number for free conference calls. The church conference call **number to join in for the service is: 301 715 8592 followed by the ID 943 310 321 84 #.** Press # a second time if asked to. Please join and invite your relatives, friends and neighbors.

REMINDER. Phone Conference and Zoom Etiquette:

1. Please do **not** announce yourself if calling in after the service has started
2. When you are not speaking, please place your phone on MUTE
3. When you are speaking, please speak directly into the phone for better reception
4. If two persons are on separate phones in the same room, please distance yourself in order to eliminate feedback
5. Be mindful that other people are also on the conference call...and can hear you.

IMPERSONATION EMAILS. Please be careful if you receive an unusual email from Rev Fanny or from any other clergy person. If it does not come from the regular email address they use to communicate with you (check the address, not just the name), it's very likely a scam. Don't respond, don't click on any link. In doubt, call or text the person or even send them another email using the regular address but DO NOT "REPLY" to their messages. Thank you!

SACRED GROUND. *Sacred Ground* is a film- and readings-based dialogue series on race, grounded in faith. Small groups are invited to walk through chapters of America's history of race and racism, while weaving in threads of family story, economic class, and political and regional identity.

This program is sponsored by the Southern Maryland Region of
The Episcopal Diocese of Washington

TWO OPTIONS:

- A) The First Monday of each month, October 2020 – June 2021
8:00 pm

REGISTER HERE:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/118361908655>

- B) The Third Wednesday of each month, September – December
7:00 pm

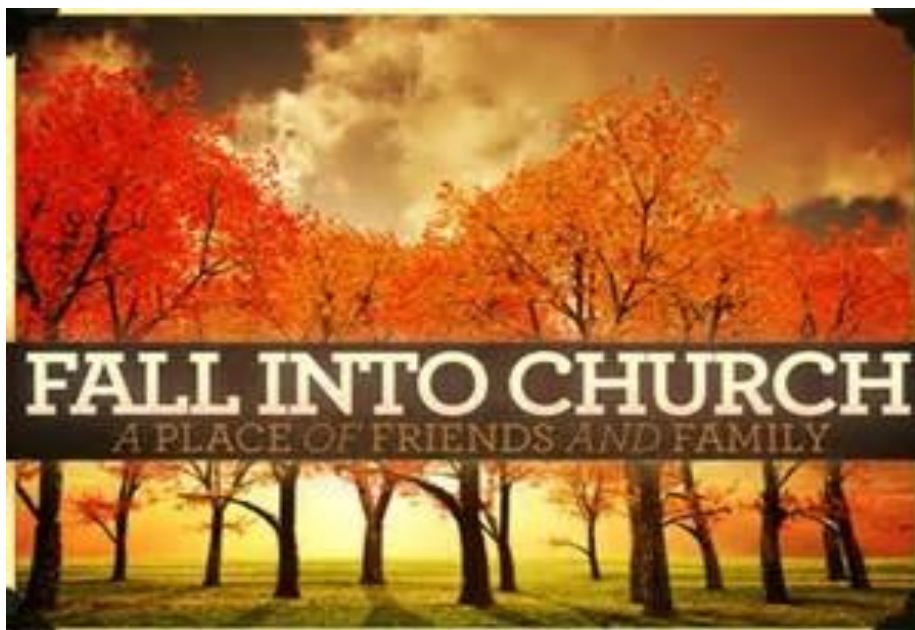
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