Isaiah 64:1-9

This lament comes from a people who have had their hopes shattered. The visions of a rebuilt Jerusalem and a renewed people of God, spoken of in Isaiah 40–55, have not been realized. Instead, the people experience ruin, conflict, and famine. This lament calls God to account—to be the God who has brought deliverance in the past.

1 O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—
2 as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil—
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
3 When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down; the mountains quaked at your presence.
4 From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.
5 You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed.
6 We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
7 There is no one who calls on your name
or attempts to take hold of you,
for you have hidden your face from us
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.
8 Yet, O Lord, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
9 Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord,
and do not remember iniquity forever.
Now consider, we are all your people.

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved. (Ps. 80:7)

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph | like a flock;
shine forth, you that are enthroned up- | on the cherubim.
2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, | and Manasseh,
stir up your strength and | come to help us.
3 Restore | us, O God;
let your face shine upon us, and we | shall be saved.
4 O Lord | God of hosts,
how long will your anger fume when your | people pray?

5 You have fed them with the | bread of tears;
you have given them bowls of | tears to drink.
6 You have made us the derision | of our neighbors,
and our enemies laugh | us to scorn.
7 Restore us, O | God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we | shall be saved.
17 Let your hand be upon the one at | your right hand,
the one you have made so strong | for yourself.
18 And so will we never turn a- | way from you;
give us life, that we may call up- | on your name.
19 Restore us, O Lord | God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we | shall be saved.

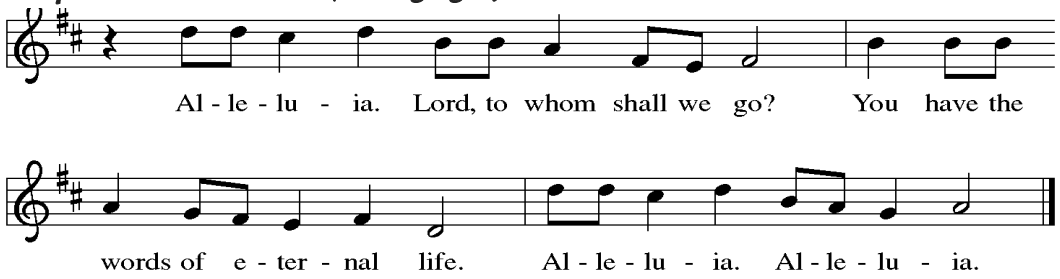
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

As the Christians in Corinth await the advent of Jesus, Paul reminds them how the Lord has already enriched them through spiritual gifts and will continue to strengthen them until the coming day of the Lord.

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

4 give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, 5 for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—6 just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—7 so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. 8 He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 God is faithful, by whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

* *Gospel Acclamation* *(all singing...)*



* *Mark 13:24-37*

Jesus encourages his followers to look forward to the day when he returns in power and glory to end all suffering.

P: The holy gospel according to Mark, the 13th chapter.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] 24 "In those days, after that suffering,
the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light,
25 and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

26 “Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with great power and glory. 27 Then
he will send out the angels and gather the elect from the four winds, from the ends of the
earth to the ends of heaven.

28 “From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its
leaves, you know that summer is near. 29 So also, when you see these things taking place, you
know that he is near, at the very gates. 30 Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away
until all these things have taken place. 31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will
not pass away.

32 “But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven nor the Son, but
only the Father. 33 Beware, keep alert, for you do not know when the time will come. 34 It is
like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with
his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. 35 Therefore, keep awake, for
you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening or at midnight or
at cockcrow or at dawn, 36 or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. 37 And
what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

The gospel concludes:

P: The gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Service Announcements – November 29, 2026

The Neighborhood Thrift Shop - Regular thrift shop hours are Wednesday and Saturday 9:00 am. – 1:00 p.m. It will also be open during our Community Dinner, every third Thursday from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in volunteering your time and talents to this exciting new ministry, please reach out to Joyce Brothers.

Breakfast With Santa – Join us Saturday, December 5th from 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Children under 3 are free, 12 and under is $5, and $10 for adults. This event benefits the Upper Frederick Fire Company.

Christmas Tree Decorating – Following Worship on December 20th, invite your friends and join us to decorate the tree. Thank you to the Brendlinger family for their kind donation.

Salvation Army Angel Tags – Angel tags can be found on the arms of the cross. Please share your blessings as you are able. Return your gifts to the church by December 4th.

Poinsettia Orders – We will be decorating the church with poinsettias again this year. If you would like to sponsor a poinsettia for Christmas Eve, please fill out the envelope in the Narthex and put it in the offering plate. The cost of each plant (red or white) is $7.75 per 6” pot. The orders are due by December 13th.

Community Dinner – Community dinner will be on December 17th. There are hands with ingredients available at the back of the church. Please help if you are able!

2027 Offering Envelopes – Offering envelopes for 2027 are in the mailboxes. If you have not received them, contact Peggy at 610-310-6407.

PRAYER REQUESTS – November 29, 2026

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Diana Kernop
Friend of Gwen Semmens
Sue Labbe & family
Aunt of Nicole Greer
Lila Lundborg
Sister of Jerry Jordan
Will Marks
Grandson Of Judy Moyer
Linda McLaughlin
Friend of Carol Langton
Jim Miller & family
Nephew of Carol Welch
Michael & Rita Natalini
Friends of Rob & Paula
Ken & Ellen
Friends of Christine Quigg
Frank O'Donnel
Brother-in-law of Penny O'Donnel
Tim Overholtzer
Brother-in-law of Pat Stonerook
Jim & Holly Parmer
Sister & brother-in-law of Gwen Semmens
Scott Randolf
Friend of Rob Bickelman
Marilyn King
Mother of Brenda Foose
Dennis Ritchie
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