

Next Sunday: .....	October 27, 2024
Liturgist: Steve Wing	Job 42:1-6, 10-17

The flowers on the altar are given for the glory and honor of God, by Ron & Bonnie Clark, in loving memory of Bonnie's mother, Bonnie Evans.

**Just in case you didn't notice...**the ABC Show is happening immediately following today's service. Our in-house artists and bakers are sharing their talents with us today. There are lots of goodies to choose from, both the eating kind and the wearing, hanging, or using kind. Be sure to spend a little time, and hopefully a little money, to help with the fundraising budget.

**Newsletter Articles:** As a reminder, Newsletter articles are due next **Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**. Please submit all articles via email, no later than **9:00 am**. Thank-you in advance for your cooperation.

**Office Announcement Reminders:** "All Saints Sunday" is fastly approaching. Mark your calendars, and join us **Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**, as we pay tribute to those members that have passed. That Sunday will also mark the end of Daylight Savings Time; we gain an extra hour. Please plan accordingly.

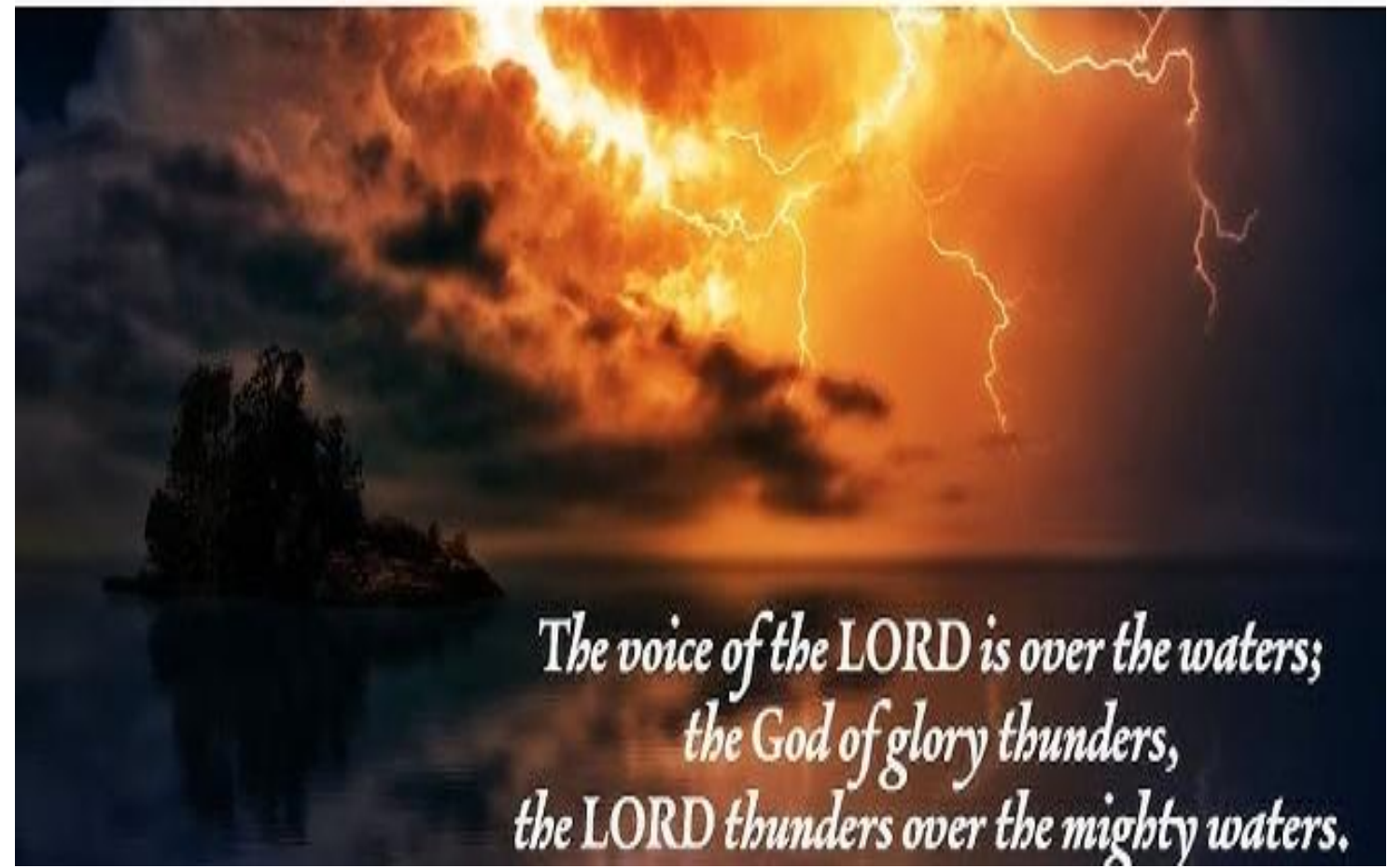
**Special Prayer Requests:** In upholding our commitment as members and friends to one another, we ask you to keep the following member families and friends in your prayers this week:

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| Max Geldean   | Kathy Jenkins           | Tommye & Dan Kieper    |
| Brenda Kinder | Marilyn Kopacz          | Virgil & Lorna LeGraff |
| John Lester   | Elmer & Anna Washington |                        |

<i>October 20, 2024-October 27, 2024</i>					
<b>Today</b>	Worship Service	9:30 am	<b>Thursday</b>	Naomi Circle	1:00 pm
	ABC (Arts, Baked Goods, Crafts) Show	10:30 am		Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm
<b>Monday</b>	Elisabeth Circle	1:00 pm	<b>Friday</b>	Newsletter Deadline	9:00 am
<b>Tuesday</b>	Bible Study	10:00 am	<b>Sunday</b>	Worship Service	9:30 am
				Faith Development	10:45 am
				Fundraising Mtg.	10:45 am

*Abundant Grace UCC*  
 October 20, 2024  
 9:30 am Worship Service  
 18200 Dixie Hwy, Homewood IL, 60430

# THE VOICE OF THE LORD IN THE STORM



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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

RINGING OF THE BELL

CHORAL INTROIT

PRELUDE *"Softly and Tenderly"*

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, and CALL TO WORSHIP Mary Bucek

+HYMN #43 *"Majesty"* Hayford

+PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION (in unison)

**O God, we can get caught up in selfish pursuits, and completely overlook the wonders of your creation. All around us are majestic reminders of the beauty you offer to us. But we are easily trapped into attitudes of indifference or destructive behavior. You have not given this world to us that we should destroy it, but rather that we should cherish it, and make sure that all receive from its bounty. Forgive our overwhelming greed and selfishness. Help us to let go of the petty desires for wealth, position, and power, and bring us into a ministry which proclaims your love and justice for all your people. For we ask these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen!**

+PASSING OF PEACE

Greet one another with Christ's peace.

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

**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 forever. Amen!**

WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERING

OFFERING SENTENCE

OFFERTORY MUSIC *"Glory to Glory to Glory"*

+DOXOLOGY

*"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."*

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

**Eternal loving God, we bring our offerings today with grateful hearts. As we reflect on your holy scripture today, may we give as a testament to our commitment to serve others, not seeking the highest places but embracing the path of sacrificial love. Bless these gifts, and use them to advance your kingdom. Remind us that true greatness always comes through serving. We offer this prayer in the holy and righteous name of Jesus Christ. AMEN, AMEN, AND AMEN!**

SPECIAL MUSIC *"In This Very Room"*

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD FOR US

SCRIPTURE READING Scripture: Job 38:1-7, 34-41

SERMON *"Above the Storm, God Speaks"* Rev. Keitric L. Emory

INVITATION

+CLOSING HYMN #457 *"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"* African-American Spiritual

+THE COMMISSION

**Go into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; help the afflicted; honor all. Love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of God's Spirit.**

+CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION #749 *"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"*

**"The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord lift his countenance upon you, and give you peace, and give you peace. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious, and be gracious; the Lord be gracious, gracious unto you."**

+CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE *"How Great Thou Art"*

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+Those who are able, please stand.

*There are Hearing Assistance devices on the back table of the Sanctuary if you have trouble hearing the service. Please return them before you leave for future uses.*