



## Am I an Effective Leader? *continued*

- **Address conflict quickly and with love.** If we know who we are and we are clear on the mission, then it's fairly easy to stand up to factions working against that mission.
- **Are open to learning.** In any given organization there are so many people who know things that the leader doesn't know. I'm a big fan of being mentored by younger team members, new team members, even cranky team members.
- **Are willing to change their minds.** We could definitely be wrong. Show us.
- **Know it's never about the leader.** Our nation is a hot mess on Capitol Hill these days because leaders have chosen political parties over country. Imagine being a leader that is less interested in posturing/making a name for themselves than in achieving the mission.

My hope in the Church is that our mission is some version of *Making the World More On Earth As It Is In Heaven*. We have a lot of work to do. Let's focus.

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## Music Notes for November 19.

The music for the Sunday before Thanksgiving reflects our gratitude for God's bountiful blessings. The anthem, *For the Fruits of This Creation*, is the most popular hymn composed by Francis Jackson (1917-2022). The English composer spent virtually all of his musical life at York Minster, from a chorister at age twelve to Organist and Director of Music. In 2007, Jackson was named a Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (CBE) in honor of his services to music.



Jackson.

The closing hymn is *Now Thank We All Our God*, with the original German text, *Nun danket alle Gott*, by Martin Rinkart (1586-1649). Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878) translated the words into the English version we sing today. The tune was composed by Johann Crüger (1598-1662) and has been adapted by composers ever since, from Johann Sebastian Bach to Felix Mendelssohn to Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933). His *March Triomphale*, based on the tune, will serve as this week's postlude.

## OUR WORSHIP CHANNELS

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**BETTER TOGETHER**  
*Bible Study*

**MONDAY,  
 NOVEMBER 27**

**HERMITAGE  
 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**1:00-2:00 p.m.**

COME OUT AND JOIN  
 WESTMINSTER'S DCE, JOHN TINDALL,  
 AND EXPLORE TOGETHER  
 THE GREAT STORIES  
 AND THEMES OF THE BIBLE.

**WORSHIP THIS WEEK**

PSALM 90: 1-12

MATTHEW 25:14-23

SERMON: FAITHFUL INVESTING.



Footwear for the Prophetic Pastor



“Essentially a dress shoe, but you can run for your life in them.”

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
 CHURCH

*Harvest*

**LUNCHEON**

FOOD-FELLOWSHIP

NOVEMBER 15, 2023

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BARKSDALE ROOM

# This Week in History.



Sculptor **Auguste Rodin** is born in Paris, France.  
**NOVEMBER 12, 1840**



The the first underwater tunnel built in the U.S. opens to traffic. **The Holland Tunnel** runs under the Hudson River between New York City and Jersey City, NJ.  
**NOVEMBER 13, 1927**



Scottish explorer **James Bruce** discovered the source of the Blue Nile on Lake Tana in northwest Ethiopia.  
**NOVEMBER 14, 1770**



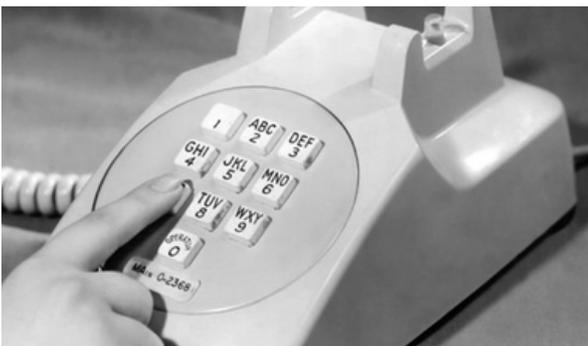
250,000 gather in Washington, D.C., to protest the Vietnam War- the largest antiwar rally in U.S. History.

**NOVEMBER 15, 1969**



The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization is founded. A special branch of the United Nations, **UNESCO** promotes peace and well-being through education, scientific collaboration and cultural understanding and exchange.

**NOVEMBER 16, 1945**



**The Suez Canal** opens after more than 10 years of construction.  
**NOVEMBER 17, 1869**

Bell systems introduces TouchTone® Service, replacing rotary dial phones with push button phones.

**NOVEMBER 18, 1963**