

ORDER OF WORSHIP

20th Sunday after Pentecost
Reformation Sunday

October 26, 2025

Eleven O'Clock

Greeters: Elizabeth Price and Lori Gast
Liturgist: Pat Nash

PRELUDE:

CHIMING THE HOUR

GREETINGS Psalm 118 says: **This is the Day that the Lord hath made, let us rejoice and be glad in it! Good morning and welcome. It is so nice to see all of you here this morning. Visitors, please sign the attendance registers located in each row.**

Please stand, in body or spirit, and join me in our Call to Worship and remain standing through the Assurance of Pardon

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** (Responsively)

Leader: **Happy are those whom You choose and bring near to live in Your courts.**

People: **They shall shout and sing together for joy.**

All: **Let us worship God.**

Please bow your heads for our Opening Prayer

***OPENING PRAYER** **We come into the presence of the Lord with singing and praise. With joy we celebrate Your mighty and merciful works. Together we praise Your name in all the earth. Amen.**

Our first hymn today is:

***HYMN** No 39 "*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*" FAITHFULNESS

***CALL TO CONFESSION** **If we say we are without sin, we deceive ourselves. Let us confess our sins before Almighty God.**

Let us pray together

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, You know our sins are many. We judge people when we ought to help them. We often find ourselves conflicted between doing what is right and doing what is easy. We find ourselves taught by society to take the more expedient route, to just get along, rather than stand up for our principles. Forgive us Lord when we choose to go along to get along rather than following Your lead and challenging evil. Help us to do what is right in Your sight and to always stand against evil, even at our own peril. (Say – "Please pray silently," and after about 20 seconds, say,) In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: **Brothers and sisters in Christ, believe the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

People: Thanks be to God!

You may be seated.

A TIME FOR YOUTH At this time would our youth please come forward.

Please bow your heads for our Prayer for Illumination

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Lord, open our minds and hearts so that we may see the truth and beauty of Your word. Give us a heart to embrace Your love for all people. Amen.

PSALTER LESSON Our Psalter Lesson comes from Psalm 84:1-7, please read it responsively with me.

Leader: **How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!**

People: **My soul longs, indeed it faints, for the courts of the Lord;**

Leader: **my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.**

People: **Even the sparrow finds a home and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at Your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.**

Leader: **Happy are those who live in Your house, ever singing Your praise.**

People: **Happy are those whose strength is in You, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

Leader: **As they go through the valley of Baca, they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools.**

People: **They go from strength to strength; the God of gods will be seen in Zion.**

Leader: **The Word of the Lord.**

People: Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Our New Testament Lesson comes from 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 you may follow along in your pew Bibles on page 213 of the New Testament
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. / People: Thanks be to God!

The choir will now sing the Anthem:

ANTHEM:

GOSPEL LESSON Our Gospel Lesson comes from Luke 18:9-14, you may follow along in your pew Bibles on page 81 of the New Testament

Luke 18:9-14

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other, for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Rev. Janet Boyanton

Those who are able, please stand and join with me in singing:

***HYMN** No 286 "*Breathe on Me, Breath of God*" TRENTHAM

Please join me in Affirmation of Faith as it is printed in your bulletin.

***AFFIRMATION** The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

***RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 581 "*Glory Be to the Father*" GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

world without end, Amen, amen.

You may be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS It is time for announcements, does anybody have an announcement they would like to make?

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY And now it is time for our Prayer Concerns and Celebrations. Does anybody have anything they would like to share?

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

OFFERTORY:

***RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 606 *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

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.

Let us come to God with our prayer of Thanksgiving

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Gracious God, we gather today to worship and praise You for all Your gifts to us. From those gifts we give to You our talents, skills and property. All of it belongs to You and we thank You for Your love and kindness toward Your people. Amen.

Our last Hymn today is:

***HYMN** No. 37 *"Let All Things Now Living"* ASH GROVE

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE:**

Hymn No. 542 *"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"* GOD BE WITH YOU

God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***POSTLUDE:**

***Those who are able may stand.**

Daily Bread

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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

TUESDAY – 10:30 AM Tuesday morning group

THURSDAY – 10:00 AM Art Group

NEXT SUNDAY – Communion

10:30 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our Leaders

Our Presbytery, our church, our Session

Our Troops

Thomas Alexander – please continue to pray

Jim Glander

Martha Brashear – continued prayers

The church and nation of Ukraine

DeSoto Food Pantry

Chikezie is very weak

Christians in Pakistan

Joan Christy – continued prayers

Mirielle said the election went well, but the current leader refuses to leave office, so
please continue to pray for Cameroon

Lorrinda Alexander is not responsive, please continue to pray for her and Joe

Sue Bartels is recovering from surgery after a fall where she broke several bones

Gene Knox is suffering with kidney stones

Please pray for Pat Nash as she is undergoing medical tests

CELEBRATIONS

Nnennaya celebrated that she was in church, and Chikezie's birthday. She said that
Chikezie is doing better

PLEASE JOIN US FOR REFRESHMENTS
FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP SERVICE