11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 24, 2025 9:00 a.m.

Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. We extend a warm greeting of Christian Fellowship to you. If you are visiting with us, please introduce yourself to the pastor following the service.

*Congregation standing for those who are able

The Words of Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the Friendship pads and pass them back to the center aisle.

After worship please greet your neighbors by name.

Our Approach to God

Prelude Allegretto from Sonata 4

F. Mendelssohn

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The Call to Worship

In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;

Incline your ear to me and save me.

Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

For you, O Lord, are my hope, my praise is continually of you.

*The Hymn of Praise Immortal, Invisible, God Ony Wise

*The Call to Confession

Praise is on our lips, but in our hearts we know how far we have fallen from the glory of God. Yet God meets us in our sin, picks us up, and promises forgiveness. Let us make our confession and open ourselves to God's mercy.

*The Prayer of Confession

We come before you, all-giving God, rich with the gifts you have given to us, rich with the love you have lavished on us, rich with the blessings your Son has brought to us. The gifts we offer you here speak not only of our gratitude for your love, but also of our commitment to seek anew and continuously to grow in our discipleship.

Bless these our gifts, and us as givers, to the work for which you have called us.

*The Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news. God is more willing and able to forgive than we are to ask. As we turn to God, God hears our prayers and forgives us. This is truly amazing grace. Amen.!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*The Gloria Patri

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Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

The Special Music	Still, Still with Thee	John Ness Beck
	Deanna Patton, soloist	

The Word of God

The Time with the Children	Backpack Blessing	Marsha Bennett
1 st Scripture Reading	Jeremiah 1:4-10	page 1075
2 nd Scripture Reading	Hebrews 12:18-29	page 1718
The Sermon:	Traveling	Rev. Glenn Grant

Our Response to Serve

*The Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed (Traditional) Hymnal, page 14

*The Hymn O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 466

The Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (using sins)

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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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.

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

The Offertory Benedictus from The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace-Jenkins Deanna Patton, soloist

*The 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.

*The Prayer of Dedication

*The Hymn Lift High the Cross

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*The Congregational Response I Come with Joy, verse 5 507

Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways.

And as God's people in the world, we'll live and speak His praise,

we'll live and speak His praise.

*Postlude Allegro con brio from Sonata 4

F. Mendelssohn

Liturgist: Connor Rousseau

Ushers: Pete & Ginny Brucker, Adam Engel, and Sayre Nichol

Greeter: Karen Kalina

Fellowship Hour Hosts: The Hunts

Musical Talents: Thomas Heidenreich - Director of Music Ministry and Deanna

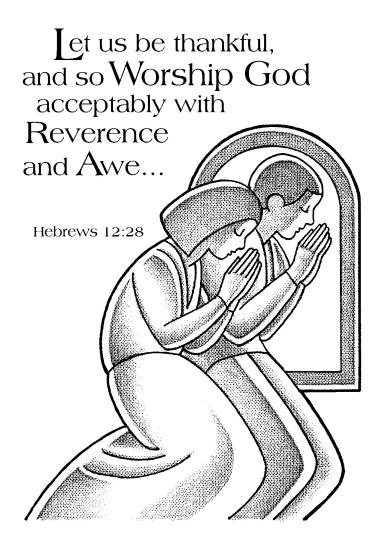
Patton, soloist

Please join us immediately following worship in the gathering area for fellowship hour.

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^{*}The Charge and Benediction

^{*} Congregation Standing – for those who are able.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

We are so pleased to have Rev. Glenn Grant with us again today. We are grateful for his willingness to share his time and ministry with us. Reverend Grant, we welcome you to our pulpit and thank you for leading us in worship today.



- On Sunday's, the church doors will be open to the congregation at 8:15 a.m. Should you have a special circumstance that requires earlier access to the church, (Communion servers, musical guests, etc.) please contact the church office to make arrangements during office hours. The office will be open Monday through Thursday 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. (unless otherwise noted) but, as unforeseen circumstances may occur, please call 989-792-1023 to be sure that someone is in the office before you drive to the church.
- During this time of transition, we will use a new method of collecting prayer requests for Sunday worship. If you have a prayer request, please PRINT the name of the individual you wish the congregation to pray for on a slip of paper and place it in the box at the front of the sanctuary. This must be done BEFORE WORSHIP BEGINS as the box will be emptied at some point during the service. Names will not be carried over from one week to the next.

Music and Worship

- The signup sheets are out for September. Please sign up to Greet, Usher, be a Liturgist, or host and serve Fellowship Hour. We need your help on Sunday mornings. Please see Chuck Kemerer, Cheryl Kelley, or Deb Easlick if you have any questions.
- Choir Rehearsals will resume Wednesday September 10 @ 7:00 p.m.

White Elephant Sale

It's Back! Clean out your garages and closets for the White Elephant Sale on Saturday, September 27. You may start bringing donations Sunday, September 21 after worship or Monday-Friday, September 22-26 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Volunteers will be needed to help



set up, work the sale, and help clean up. Sign-up sheets will be on the table in the gathering area soon!



Second Presbyterian Church 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat for the community is scheduled for **Sunday, October 26, 2025 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** Please consider participating as we will need a minimum of 20 cars to make the event

worthwhile. A sign-up sheet is on the table outside of the Sanctuary. Candy donations will also be needed.

Jeremiah 1:4-10 New International Version

- ⁴ The word of the LORD came to me, saying,
- 5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations."
- ⁶ "Alas, Sovereign LORD," I said, "I do not know how to speak; I am too young."
- ⁷ But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am too young.' You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. ⁸ Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you," declares the LORD.
- ⁹ Then the LORD reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me, "I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰ See, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant."

