

Community **Presbyterian Church**

Tenth Sunday of Ordinal Time Fruit of the Spirit 24 August 2025

GATHERING

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship

(One) Come let us worship the God who began a good work in us and continues to work in our lives—guiding, teaching and equipping us to bear witness until Jesus Christ returns.

(All) May our love and compassion continue to grow, a love that is full of knowledge and wisdom, that we might recognize God's truth and live our lives-holy and set apart for His purposes.

(One) May we live lives filled with the Holy Spirit, bearing rich fruit, proclaiming to the world that Christ is in us.

(All) Holy Spirit, grant us your love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

(One) May our fruit be born of the Holy Spirit and seen by the world. That all might know we belong to God. Come let us worship the living God.

Opening Prayer

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 71:1-6

(One) In you, O LORD, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

(All) In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me.

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

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

(One) For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth.

(All) From my birth I have leaned upon you, my protector since my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.

*Hymn (507) A Mighty Fortress is Our God

- (1) A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.
- (2) Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing, were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.
- (3) And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us. The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.
- (4) That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;

the Spirit and the gifts are ours thro' him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

Prayer of Confession

(All) Gracious Father, forgive us for failing to love you and neglecting our neighbor. Have patience with us as we ignore the joy and peace you grant us daily. Pardon us for our impatience with others and with Your timing. Christ Jesus, forgive us for moments of unkindness and for when we chose sin over Your goodness. Forgive us for our lack of faith, our anger, and when we resist Your Spirit's guidance. Prune us, that we might bear fruit for your Kingdom here on Earth. Amen.

Silence

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading New Testament Reading Gospel Reading Jeremiah 1:4-10 Hebrews 12:18-29 Luke 13:10-17

Sermon

RESPONSE

*Taizé Chant

Bless the Lord

Bless the Lord my soul, and bless His holy name. Bless the Lord my soul, who leads me into Life.

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory

*Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge Benediction Postlude

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SCRIPTURES

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

1:5

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

1:6

Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy."

1:7

But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy,' for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you.

1:8

Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."

1:9

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth, and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth.

1:10

See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest,

12:19

and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them.

12:20

(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death."

12:21

Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.")

12:22

But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering,

12:23

and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect,

12:24

and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

12:25

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking, for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven!

12:26

At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven."

12:27

This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken--that is, created things--so that what cannot be shaken may remain.

12:28

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe,

12:29

for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Luke 13:10-17

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath.

13:11

And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight.

13:12

When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment."

13:13

When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God.

13:14

But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day."

13:15

But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water?

13:16

And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?"

13:17

When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.