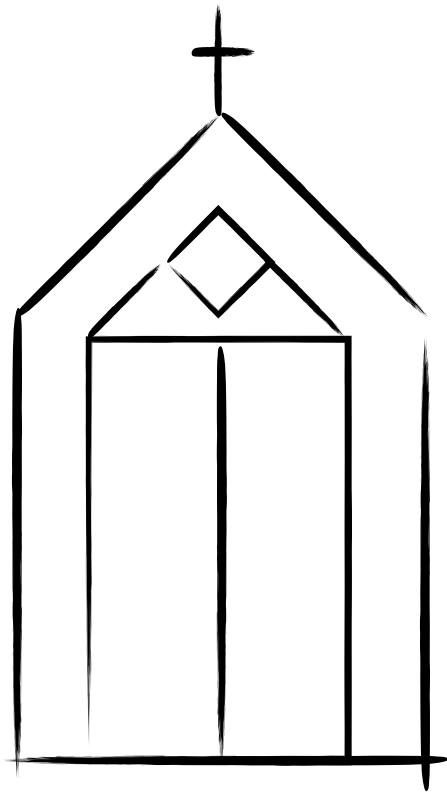




Community Presbyterian Church

Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinal Time
19 October 2025

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

***Call to Worship**

(One) Almighty God, you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit.

(All) Let us spread this gift throughout the world by our love for one another. That it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(One) Come, Let us worship the God from whom all our blessings flow and who dwells with us today.

**(All) We will praise the One who lives and reigns in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever.
Amen.**

Opening Prayer

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 121

(One) I lift up my eyes to the hills-- from where will my help come?

(All) My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

(One) He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

(All) He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

(One) The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

(All) The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night.

(One) The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

(All) The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

***Hymn (502)**

Be Thou My Vision

(1) Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

(2) Be thou my Wisdom, and thou my true Word,
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my Treasure thou art.

(3) High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Call to Confession

Silence

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading
New Testament Reading
Gospel Reading

Jeremiah 31:27-34
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
Luke 18:1-8

Sermon

***Hymn (96)**

O For a Thousand Tongues

(1) O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!

(2) My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread thro' all the earth abroad
the honors of your name.

(3) Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease,
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.

(4) He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean,
his blood availed for me.

(5) To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heaven.

RESPONSE

***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

Prayers of the People

(One) In Your mercy ...

(All) ... **Hear our prayers.**

The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge

Benediction

Postlude

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SCRIPTURES

Jeremiah 31:27-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals.

31:28

And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD.

31:29

In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge."

31:30

But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of the one who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

31:31

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah.

31:32

It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt--a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD.

31:33

But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

31:34

No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it

3:15

and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

3:16

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, 3:17

so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

4:1

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you:

4:2

proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching.

4:3

For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires,

4:4

and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths.

4:5

As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Luke 18:1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.

18:2

He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people.

18:3

In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.'

18:4

For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone,

18:5

yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'"

18:6

And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says.

18:7

And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them?

18:8

I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"