

Peacham Congregational Church

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Guest Speaker: Ken Vos
Lay Leader: Patty Gardner

We are an Open and Affirming Church

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here.

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Order of Worship
October 25, 2026

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Responsive Call to Worship (Japan)

When we feel downhearted...

Jesus says 'Rise!'

When we wonder if we can continue on our journey...

Jesus says: "I am with you. You have nothing to fear."

When we hunger and thirst in our souls for relief...

Jesus says: "Come, follow me."

Lord of hope and possibilities, be with us today.

Open our hearts and spirits to feed upon your healing word. Amen.

Opening Hymn #223: "Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me" Vs. 1 & 2

Passing of the Peace

Leader: As Christ welcomed everyone, no matter what their background, no matter what their social status; as Christ welcomed enemies and friends, outcasts and leaders, foreigners and neighbors, let us open our hearts and homes and lives. Let us be Christ to everyone we meet. Peace be with you.

Congregation: **And also, with you.**

Leader: Now share the Peace of Christ with one another.

Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (using debts/debtors)

Response

***Hear our prayer O God. Hear our prayer O God.
Incline Your ear to us and grant us Your peace. Amen.***

Offering & Mission

Doxology #45

***Praise God for love we all may share.
Praise God for beauty everywhere.
Praise God for hope of good to be.
Praise God for truth that makes us free. Amen.***

Unison Prayer of Dedication

**We recognize that the greatest gift is the gift of love.
May our offerings distribute this love to the world:
the small world we inhabit with the suffering people we know;
the larger world where the power of love is sorely needed.
(Source Unknown)**

Hymn #223: "Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me" vs. 3 & 4

Scripture

Message: "Another Look at Jesus" Ken Vos

Closing Hymn #333: "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" Vs. 1

Unison Benediction

**May we look upon what we fear and have courage. May we confront hate in
the world with love. May we go out as God's agents of healing with faith.
Amen.**

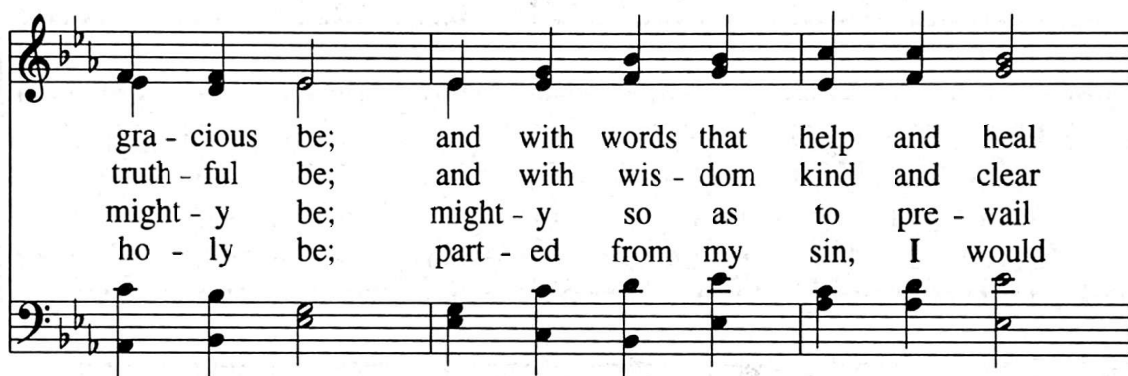
Postlude

Thank you to Nancy Toney for playing piano for today's service.

Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me



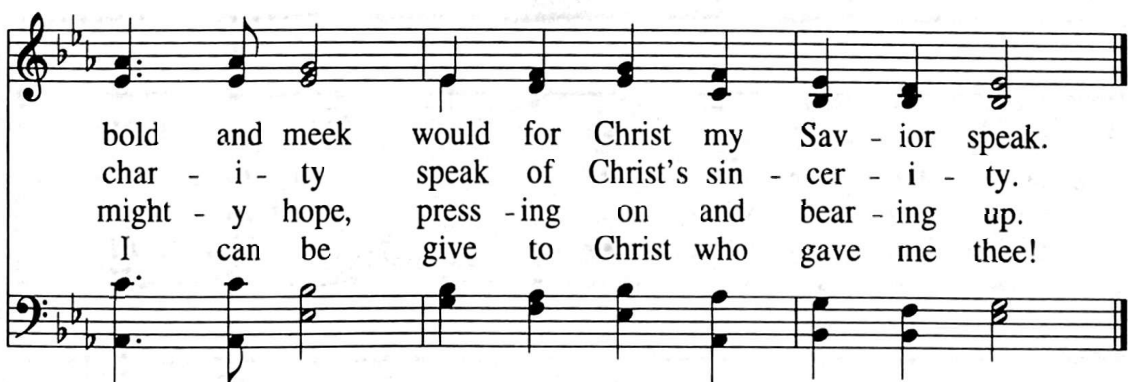
1. Gra - cious Spir - it, dwell with me, I my - self would
 2. Truth - ful Spir - it, dwell with me, I my - self would
 3. Might - y Spir - it, dwell with me, I my - self would
 4. Ho - ly Spir - it, dwell with me, I my - self would



gra - cious be; and with words that help and heal
 truth - ful be; and with wis - dom kind and clear
 might - y be; might - y so as to pre - vail
 ho - ly be; part - ed from my sin, I would



would thy life in mine re - veal, and with ac - tions
 let thy life in mine ap - pear, and with acts of
 where un - aid - ed I would fail; ev - er by a
 choose and cher - ish all things good, and what - ev - er



bold and meek would for Christ my Sav - ior speak.
 char - i - ty speak of Christ's sin - cer - i - ty.
 might - y hope, press - ing on and bear - ing up.
 I can be give to Christ who gave me thee!

WORDS: Thomas T. Lynch, 1855, alt.
 MUSIC: Richard Redhead, 1853

REDHEAD NO. 76
 77.77.77

Physically frail, Thomas Lynch attracted people by his preaching at a London Congregational church. This hymn first appeared in his compilation *The Rivulet*.

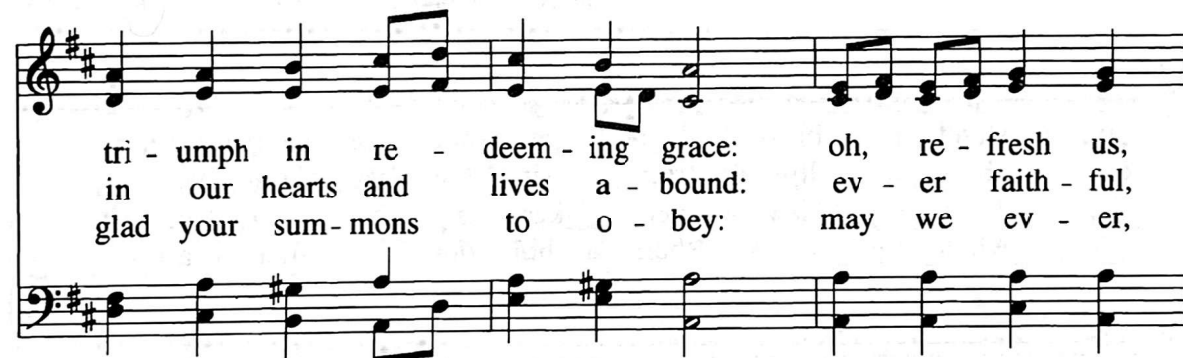
Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing 333



1. Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing; fill our hearts with
 2. Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for the gos - pel's
 3. So that when your love shall call us, Sav - ior, from the



joy and peace; let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,
 joy - ful sound; may the fruits of your sal - va - tion
 world a - way, fear of death shall not ap - pall us,



tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace: oh, re - fresh us,
 in our hearts and lives a - bound: ev - er faith - ful,
 glad your sum - mons to o - bey: may we ev - er,



oh, re - fresh us, trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.
 ev - er faith - ful to the truth may we be found.
 may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

WORDS: Attr. John Fawcett, 1773, alt.

MUSIC: Sicilian melody, 18th century; *The European Magazine and Review*, 1792

SICILIAN MARINERS
 87.87.87

Moved to commitment by a sermon of English evangelist George Whitefield, John Fawcett became a Baptist minister. He wrote over 160 hymns, including 'Blest Be the Tie That Binds.'



PEACHAM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH & MEETINGHOUSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

October 25, 2026

Weekly Worship – Sunday @ 9:30 a.m.

Join us online at peachamchurch.org/watch-us-live-on-sunday

For general inquiries, email information@peachamchurch.org

Church Admin.....	Patty Gardner	Treasurer.....	Bruce Westcott
Collector.....	Ann Goss	Accompanist	Bruce Westcott
Sexton.....	Jeff Lane	Web Ministry.....	Jonathan R. Potter
Church Council President & Moderator			John Marshall
Administrative Staff.....			Meghan Hovey, Emma Kaplan

Deacons: Susan Chandler, Chris Danielson, Carolyn Deasy,
Patty Gardner, Anita Vann, Rick Witt, Bruce Maclean, Deacon Emeritus

Peacham Congregational Church is an open and affirming congregation, welcoming all who earnestly seek faith and fellowship in Christ to share in the life, leadership, ministry, membership, fellowship, worship, sacraments, responsibilities, blessings and joys of our church. We invite and welcome into our community persons of every age, race, ability, economic and social status, nationality, faith background, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, marital standing and family structure

How God is calling us to reach out to address the emerging challenges and opportunities of our community and congregation.

We believe that we must walk with all in our community, helping to bring it together at a time when divisiveness as well as economic, cultural and climate-related challenges are pulling us apart. Peacham is an exceptionally tight community, as the response to the July 2024 flood event showed, but many are lonely or shut-in, suffer from health conditions or feel excluded. We believe our Church has historically been and must continue to be a resource to promote community and reach out to those individuals in need of community support.

TODAY: Sunday, October 25, 2026 – 9:30 a.m. worship time, with Coffee Hour immediately following the service.

This morning we welcome Ken Vos, who will deliver the message. Patty Garder is Lay Leader.

October 29th – There will be a community meal in the Social Hall from 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. If you would like to bake a dessert for the meal, or if you are available at 5:00 p.m. to help set up for the meal, please see Rick Witt or Bruce Maclean.



Thank you to all who attended the service for Peg Clemons yesterday to support the family during this difficult time.

A big thank you to all who helped to set up and help with the reception, baked cookies and cleaned up after the reception. We can't do this without all your help and support.

Please be on the lookout for the annual appeal letter and prayerfully consider what you can give to the church this year. Every dollar matters and we thank you in advance. If you do not receive a letter ad would like one, please see patty Gardner.

MISSIONS

Our 4th quarter mission is **Church World Service**.

Following a natural disaster, CWS distributes kits with supplies like versatile blankets, cleaning agents, articles for hygiene, and other items immediately useful after a disaster

CWS helps refugees navigate the often unfriendly and confusing government "system" to help them settle and rebuild their lives in their new and unfamiliar country.

They teach farmers planting techniques that will make their crops less vulnerable to drought and floods.



FOOD COLLECTIONS

The Peacham Congregational Church collects food for the Danville Food Shelf every Sunday morning from 9-11 a.m. Food is collected in a basket at the back of the Sanctuary. During the week, donations of non-perishable food can be placed in the green bins on the covered walkway outside the kitchen door. Please note that the Food Shelf cannot use food that is beyond the expiration date or that has been opened.

The Danville Open Door Food Shelf is asking for the following weekly rotation of donations:

1st Sunday - Bread

2nd Sunday - Butter

3rd Sunday - Cheese (8oz. blocks)

4th Sunday - Eggs

[5th Sunday - Cheese]

Upcoming Worship Schedule of Leaders & Speakers for October:

November 1, 2026 – Rev. Jay Sprout (Communion)

November 8, 2026 – John Morris

November 15, 2026 – Ed Nilson

November 22, 2026 – Susan Chandler (Historical Presentation)

November 29, 2026 – Nancy Fowler (First Sunday Advent)

Please Pray For:

Brady Nally
Jenna Goguen
Robin

Paul Clemons & Family
Anthony

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please reach out to Patty at peachamchurchinformation@gmail.com.

Attendance at Previous Church Services

September 20, 2026	22
September 27, 2026	18
October 4, 2026	35
October 11, 2026	20
October 18, 2026	25



COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:

October 25: Dart Thalman

November 1: Nancy & Brad Toney



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10th – Ken Vos
14th – Steve Engle
15th – Sarah Deasy Spaeh
17th – Gracia Berwick
19th – Stan Fickes

ANNIVERSARIES

10/11 – Chip & Carolyn Deasy
10/14 – Dylan & Meghan (Deasy) Hovey
10/24 – Harry & Anita Vann