

Service for the Lord’s Day  
October 18, 2026  
Twenty First Sunday After Pentecost

Preparation

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE “Hymn to Joy” Arr. Carter

WELCOME, JOYS, AND CONCERNS Kent Earle

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS Neil McWhorter

† CALL TO WORSHIP

In this place,  
**friends and strangers meet, the broken are mended, and the weary welcomed.**  
In this moment,  
**the ordinary becomes miraculous, and life is on pause. This is God’s time.**  
In this sanctuary,  
**God’s goodness is revealed.**  
**Our doors open with kindness.**  
**Our lives join together.**

† HYMN 401 “Here in This Place” (v.1-4) Gather Us In

† CALL TO CONFESSION

God has chosen us, but we frequently fail to choose God’s will for our lives.  
Let us go before God, seeking forgiveness and peace.

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of justice and truth, you ask us to give to you the things that are yours. If we are honest, we know we hold so much back. We have promised you our obedience, but we often fulfill our own desires first. We have promised you our worship, but we give our attention to idols instead. We have promised to do your work in the world, but we put it last on the list of priorities. Have mercy on us and forgive us. Increase our generosity that we might give freely, grateful for all of the gifts you have given us. Amen.**

† ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Good News! God has chosen us, forgives us,  
and walks beside us, helping us become imitators of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Alleluia!**

† ACT OF PRAISE 581 “Glory Be to the Father”

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**  
As God’s forgiven people, let us pass the peace of Christ to one another.

Proclamation

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| TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES/PRESENTATION OF THIRD GRADE BIBLES: |                                              |
|                                                              | James Caveny<br>Maggie Hill<br>Carter Setzer |

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| PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                              |
| Sovereign God, let your Word rule in our hearts and your Spirit govern our lives until at last we see the fulfillment of your realm of justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                              |
| OLD TESTAMENT LESSON                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Psalm 96:1-9                                                 |
| NEW TESTAMENT LESSON                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Matthew 22:15-22                                             |
| MESSAGE                                                                                                                                                                                        | “Image Bearers”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Rev. Nick Setzer                                             |
| †                                                                                                                                                                                              | AFFIRMATION OF FAITH                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | The Apostle’s Creed p.35                                     |
| †                                                                                                                                                                                              | HYMN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 716 “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending” (v.1-3) Beach Spring |
| Dedication                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                              |
| PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                              |
| PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                              |
| OFFERTORY                                                                                                                                                                                      | “All Voices in One Accord”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Smith                                                        |
| †                                                                                                                                                                                              | DOXOLOGY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 606 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”               |
| †                                                                                                                                                                                              | PRAYER OF DEDICATION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                              |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                | God of the harvest, you are continually planting the seeds of your love in our world and in our lives. As we bring our gifts to you, may they be seeds of your grace, peace, and hope, planted deeply in our community. Amen.                                                                                                                             |                                                              |
| †                                                                                                                                                                                              | HYMN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 354 “Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory” (v.1-3) Battle Hymn      |
| †                                                                                                                                                                                              | BENEDICTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                              |
| †                                                                                                                                                                                              | CHORAL BENEDICTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | “Go Now In Peace” Besig                                      |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                | Go now in peace. Never be afraid.<br>God will go with you each hour of ev’ry day.<br>Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.<br>Know He will guide you in all you do.<br>Go now in love, and show you believe.<br>Reach out to others so all the world can see.<br>God will be there watching from above.<br>Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. |                                                              |
| POSTLUDE                                                                                                                                                                                       | “The Heavens Are Telling”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Haydn                                                        |
| † Stand as you are able                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                              |

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| A special thanks to Jennifer Langford for stepping in as our musician for several Sundays in October. Thank you Jennifer!                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY is October 25 <sup>th</sup><br>You should have already received your pledge card in the mail. Bring your pledge card to worship or mail it in, so the Session can plan for the 2027 budget. Your pledge of time & talents goes towards fulfilling the mission and vision of the church. |
| Fall is upon us with Thanksgiving and Christmas season to follow. If you would like to play Handbells during this season, please contact Alice. Practices will begin in next several weeks.                                                                                                                |

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| CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 <sup>ST</sup> FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING OFFICERS.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| CHILI COOKOFF<br>Presbyterian Women’s Annual Chili Cookoff will be on Sunday, October 25 <sup>th</sup> after church. The money raised from this event will go to the PW scholarship fund. Please sign up on sheets posted or let Barbara know if you plan to bring a pot of chili for the competition. Also bring your dollars to vote for the best tasting chili!                                                                                                                |
| ALSO DIRECTORY PICTURE DAY<br>October 25th is church directory picture day! At the chili cookoff after church, stop by the picture table before you eat. We will take your directory picture and update your information in Realm for the directory! Please let Liz Ann Hill (803)207-6255 know if you cannot make it that day to schedule a makeup time.                                                                                                                         |
| Invitation to Join Our Presbyterian Women’s Circle<br>All women are invited to join in our circle group which meets on the first Tuesday of every month in McNeel Hall. We share a light meal, a short Bible lesson, and work on projects that benefit our church and community and the church worldwide. We would love for you to join us! For more information contact, Angie Pratt at 704-813-9200 or <a href="mailto:angiepratt@comporium.net">angiepratt@comporium.net</a> . |
| On Saturday night, October 31 <sup>st</sup> from 6-7pm, First Presbyterian will be distributing <b>individually wrapped candy</b> in downtown York along with other local churches. If you are able to help that night or could contribute candy, it would certainly be welcome. All candy needs to be at the church by worship time on <b>October 25<sup>th</sup></b> so the Youth can package it <b>THAT NIGHT!</b>                                                             |
| BASKETBALL SIGNUP IS HERE!<br>The signup forms are on the table outside Alice’s office. Sign up soon so that we can make sure we have enough players for each team!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| THANK YOU!<br>Dear Church Members, We just want to thank you for the honor you bestowed on us with the Legacy of Faith Award. We are humbled to receive this. In Christian Love, Arthur & Marsha Black                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| The Bach Singers will again perform in our sanctuary on Saturday, December 5 <sup>th</sup> . This is an a cappella group based out of Charlotte, but they come from all over the country.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| PRESCHOOL BUNDT CAKE SALE DURING OCTOBER<br>Proceeds will help pay for new playground fence. see any preschool or office staff for an order form!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| As we present our third grade children their Adventure Bibles, let us remember our vows to them when they were baptized: to nurture them in the church, teach them it’s Christian faith and provide the resources they need to develop and grow. This process is ongoing.                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

**A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS** Thank you for joining us today. We're glad you're here and hope that you'll experience God's love as we worship together. If you would like to know more about us, please call our church office (684-2356) and ask to speak with our pastor. May God's peace be with you.

**OUR PRAYER CONCERNS:**

All caregivers, Mark Good (Friend of Jody Templeton has cancer), Gloria Ludwig (Stacey Walden's grandmother), Joe & Mickey Howe, Archie Buchanan, Robert Clewis (Shelia Herron's son), Danny Allman (19 yr. old nephew of Mike Allman), Bill Herron (Leukemia), Donna Jo McKinney Ferrell and Jane McKinney Bolin (have cancer, they are nieces of Brenda Brandon), Patti Whiteside (Joanna Setzler's step mom), Jim Bolduc (Surgery), Lorraine Stewart, Mike Allman, Sr. (brain cancer), the Hiott Family, Kenny Bratton (Foot Surgery), Dave Saich (Friend of Cathy Cataoe) was in a motorcycle accident, Eddie Lee, Pat Hodnett, Wayne McCormick & Braxton McCormick.

**RETIREMENT/NURSING HOMES-HOMEBOUND**

Bob Falls, Jane Spratt, Lorraine Stewart & Cathy Kemp

**FLOWERS:** The sanctuary flowers today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of my parents, Annis & Calvin Lindsay, who were married on October 6, 1940. Given by Ann Wilson.

Mark your calendars, Church Family Retreat will be March 12-14, 2027.

**Parents, high school & middle school students, mark your calendars now!**

**Montreat Youth Conference Week 3 July 11-17, 2027**  
**Maryville Middle School Conference July 21-25, 2027**

**LITTLE DISCIPLES**

18<sup>th</sup> Maralee Hall  
25<sup>th</sup> Donna Farris

**ACOLYTES**

18<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth Hiott/Kemp Hall  
25<sup>th</sup> Tallon/Mackenna Zesiger

**NURSERY**

Susan Hill  
Jenny Hill

**CROSS BEARER**

Tallon Zesiger  
Elizabeth Hiott

The church has only two cemetery plots left for sale at Lakeview Memory Gardens. The Session has authorized the Finance Committee to reduce the price of each plot to \$2,000.00. If you are interested, call Ronnie Bailes or any member of the Finance Committee.

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**CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK**

**Sun. 10-18 9:00am Finance Committee**  
**10:00am Adult Sunday School**  
**11:00am Worship/3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Bibles**

**Mon. 10-19 6:00pm Ladies Bible Study**  
**8:00pm AA**

**Tues. 10-20 7:45am Youth to Southern Touch**

**Wed. 10-21 10:00am Pastor's Bible Study**  
**2:30pm LIFT @ Trinity**  
**6:00pm Grief Share**  
**8:00pm AA**

**Thur. 10-22 5:00pm Girl Scouts**

**Sun. 10-25 REFORMATION SUNDAY/STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY**  
**7:45am Session Meeting**  
**10:00am Adult Sunday School**  
**11:00am Worship**  
**12:00pm Chili Cookoff & Directory Pictures**  
**6:00pm Youth**

Our 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Running of the Turkeys will be on Thanksgiving morning. The benefits will go to PATH, Grace & Mercy Soup Kitchen & the YSD 1 Education Foundation. Be a sponsor or just register as an individual at [www.turkeyrunyorksc.com](http://www.turkeyrunyorksc.com) It's a Turkey Day Tradition!

The Foothills Presbytery has invited our Youth to their upcoming retreats:

**Middle School (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade)** November 6-8 at Asbury Hills Camp, Cleveland, SC  
Cost is \$225

**Senior High (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)** January 8-10<sup>th</sup>, 2027 at the Montreat Conference Center.  
Cost is \$225

Please register with Nick or Alice right away!

**Session Members & Their Committees**

Liz Ann Hill...Clerk & Personnel & IT  
Jenny Hill.....Asst. Clerk & Family Life  
Eddie Lee....Worship & Personnel  
Ronnie Bailes..Finance & Personnel  
Melissa Allman....Family Life & Personnel  
Lynn Leake...Worship  
Christopher Black..Personnel & Finance  
Debbie Lowe...Congregational Care  
David Dickson..Mission/Evangelism  
Angie Pratt....Mission/Evangelism

Rick Beard.....Property  
Pete Carroll....Property  
Donna Langford..Cong. Care & PW  
Sonya Kent....Congregational Care  
Jamie Caveny..Family Life  
Jay Leake.....Property  
Shawn Jarrett...IT  
Jake Walden...Mission/Evangelism  
Neil McWhorter...Finance  
Tom Setzler....Congregational Care

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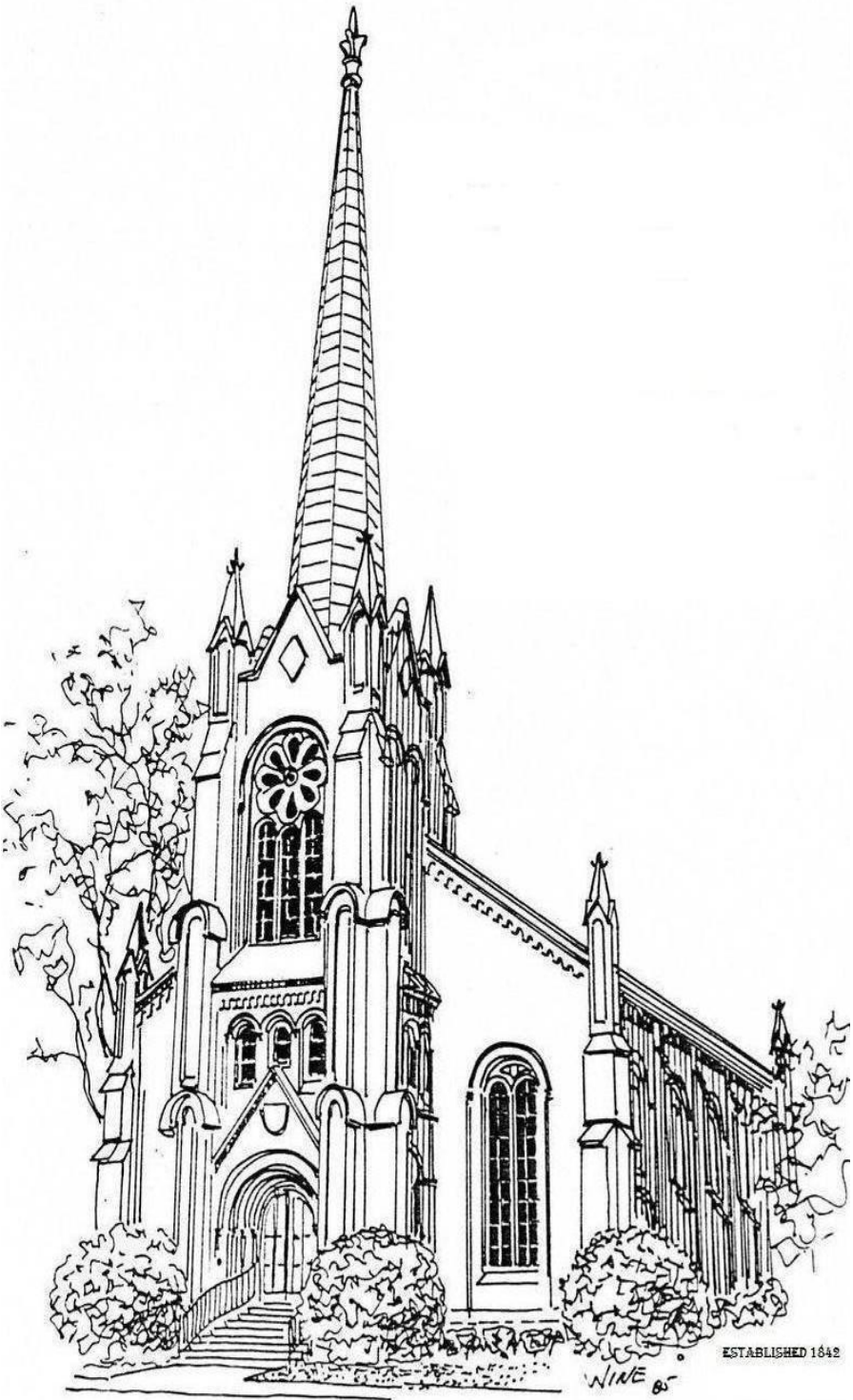
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