

*Welcome to the*

# **Setauket Presbyterian Church**

of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)



*Reformation Sunday*  
*Stewardship Sunday*

**Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**

# Order of Worship

October 25, 2026 | Reformation Sunday

❖ *Please rise in body or in spirit; unison prayers are in bold.*  
Kindly sign the friendship pad near you and pass it down the pew!

## GATHERING MUSIC

## RINGING OF THE BELL

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT                      *In Christ Alone*                      Stuart Townend, Keith Getty arr. Sharon Wilson  
Violin 1, Eric Tsai; Violin 2, Sayuri Ishida

## CALL TO WORSHIP

God is our dwelling place:  
**God gathers us into community with each other to love and work, to support and heal.**  
God is our dwelling place:  
**God gathers us into community with all people to bring justice and hope, freedom and truth.**  
God is our dwelling place:  
**God gathers us into community with all creation to live in harmony, to grow new gardens.**

## OPENING PRAYER

❖HYMN no. 282              *Come Down, O Love Divine*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of love, your commandments are so simple: love God, love neighbor, love self.  
Yet we cannot always muster that love. Love for you seems too abstract and distant.  
Love for our neighbors seems too impractical and draining. Love for ourselves seems too impossible and unimportant. But you are truly the God of love; if there is anyone who can help us love, it is you. Shower us with your love so we might have the greatest example, and help us learn from you.

## ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GRACE

It is true: we are beloved of God.  
The God who loves us does not condemn us.  
**Through Christ, our sins are forgiven!**  
**We will live in the glory of God’s love!**

SUNG RESPONSE no. 584              *Gloria*

## SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you.** *Please stand as able and greet those around you by sharing the peace of Christ.*

## TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

## MUSICAL RESPONSE

## *A Mighty Fortress*

Martin Luther arr. Martha Yasuda

Violin 1, Eric Tsai; Violin 2, Sayuri Ishida; Violin 3, Koji Ishida; Violin 4, Robbie Metzger

# PRAAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## Sovereign God, let your Word rule in our hearts

and your Spirit govern our lives.

# Open our ears so we might live for the fulfillment

**of your realm of justice and peace. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE READING**    Matthew 22:34-40

*When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, an expert in the law, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, " 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets."*

# ANTHEM

# God Is Our Refuge

Allen Pote arr. Jay Johnson

Violins: Eric Tsai, Sayuri Ishida, Robbie Metzger; Trumpet: Koji Ishida

# SERMON

Rev. Candace Whitman

## MUSICAL INTERLUDE

# ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF DEACONS

## ❖ THE APOSTLES' CREED (traditional)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## ❖ CONGREGATIONAL UNISON PRAYER OF COMMITMENT AND SUPPORT

**God of grace, who called us to common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation: give us courage and discipline to follow where your servants rightly lead us, so that together we may declare your wonderful deeds and show your love to the world, through Jesus Christ the Lord of all. Amen.**

## CALL TO OFFERING

# OFFERTORY

*Voluntary*

# John Stanley

❖ DOXOLOGY no. 609

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures high and low: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

❖ 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

❖HYMN no. 694      *Great God of Every Blessing*

❖ CHARGE and BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE                                      *Like A River Glorious*                                      Eric Tsai Violin

*Today’s liturgy is based on the PCUSA Call to Worship Journal (online) and the writings of Rev. Thom Shuman.*

All are invited to the Fellowship Hall immediately following the service for the  
Stewardship Brunch and program.

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