Welcome to the

Setauket Presbyterian Church

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



Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

November 8, 2026

❖ *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 *Partite Sopra L'aria Della Folia di Spagna* Bernardo Pasquini

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 78)

Give ear, O my people, and listen to the words of my mouth.
We will tell the coming generations of the Lord's glorious deeds and the wonders God has done.
Let us set our hope in God and not forget the works of the Lord.
As we wait, we will tell the story and keep the commandments.
We come together to worship the living God.
We trust in God's saving power!

OPENING PRAYER

❖**HYMN no. 667** *When Morning Gilds the Skies*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace, we have sinned against you by not honoring you or loving one another. We sleep when you ask us to be awake. We fall short in our preparations for the delays that inevitably come. We fail to share what you have provided. We have lost our hope. Forgive our sinful ways, tame our wayward wills and make us more like Christ. Inspire us by your Spirit so that we will be prepared to welcome the Lord when he appears. May our lives here and now be a glimpse of what we hope all may one day enjoy.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Friends, hear these words, and listen to this good news: Jesus died and rose again, and will bring with him both those who have died and those who are alive.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Inspire us by your Holy Spirit, God of Hope, that the words we read on the page might become living words in our hearts and lives. Let us encounter the grace, love and peace of Jesus Christ as you speak to us. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Amos 5:18-24

Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why do you want the day of the LORD? It is darkness, not light, as if someone fled from a lion and was met by a bear or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall and was bitten by a snake. Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them, and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like water and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

ANTHEM *That Promised Land* Traditional Spiritual arr. Ruth Elaine Schram

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 25:1-13

Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. Later the other young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

SERMON Rev. Candace Whitman

MUSICAL INTERLUDE *Fecit Potentiam*

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY *March*

❖ 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

We give you thanks, O God, for the many blessings that you have bestowed upon us. Receive these gifts as symbols of the dedication of our very lives and signs of trust in your coming reign of justice and peace. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

❖**HYMN no. 295** *Go to the World!*

❖ **CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *Great is Thy Faithfulness* William N. Runyan arr. Mark Hayes

Today's worship draws upon the writing of Matthew A. Rich in the Presbyterian Outlook liturgy for November 8, 2026.

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