

*Welcome to the*

# **Setauket Presbyterian Church**

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



## **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**



# Order of Worship

August 10, 2025

❖ *please rise in body or in spirit; unison prayers are in bold.*

## GATHERING MUSIC

## RINGING OF THE BELL

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## INTROIT

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us hear what the Lord will speak.

**God will speak peace to the faithful.**

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

**Happy are those who trust in God.**

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for,

**The conviction of things not seen.**

## OPENING PRAYER

❖ **HYMN no. 395**    *Blessed Jesus, at Your Word*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo.**

**Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgement. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open us to a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.**

## ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GRACE

**SUNG RESPONSE no. 465**        *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

## 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 share a sign of Christ’s peace with one another.

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE READING        Hebrews 11:1-7

*Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain’s. Through this he received approval as righteous, God himself giving approval to his gifts; he died, but through his faith he still speaks. By faith Enoch was taken so that he did not experience death, and “he was not found, because God had taken him.” For it was attested before he was taken away that “he had pleased God.” And without faith it is*

*impossible to please him, for whoever would approach God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. By faith Noah, warned by God about events as yet unseen, respected the warning and built an ark to save his household; by this he condemned the world and became an heir to the righteousness that is in accordance with faith.*

**SCRIPTURE READING      Luke 12:32–40**

*“Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. “Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. “But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”*

**REFLECTION** Veronica Wilkom

**❖HYMN no. 32      *I Sing the Mighty Power of God***

**CALL TO OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

**❖ 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 OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE**

**Generous God, we place these offerings before You, not as payment, but as signs of our trust and gratitude. You promise us a treasure that cannot fade, a kingdom that cannot be shaken. Just as Noah built the ark without seeing the rain, and Abraham stepped forward without seeing the land, we give in faith, trusting Your promises. Take these gifts, Lord, and take our very lives. Use them to bring hope where there is fear, light where there is shadow, and love where there is need. May our hearts be set on heaven, even as our hands work for Your kingdom here on earth. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**❖HYMN no. 539    *We Will Go Out with Joy***

**❖ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

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